

Lifeline.....

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Mission Statement

To empower as many individuals as possible in the greater North Central Kansas area to make healthy life choices related to their sexuality, childbearing, and parenting, consistent with the sanctity of human life.

10th Annual Walk Run for Life

It was a beautiful September Sunday afternoon as friends gathered to walk, run, and play in support of babies and families in our communities. It was wonderful to see the smiles on the faces of both children and adults as they celebrated the gift of life!

THANK YOU to all who participated or donated in any way! Because of you, the event brought in \$10,000 to be used to provide pregnancy, parenting, and sexual integrity education in the NCK area!

We want to say a special thank you to our event sponsors—Super 8, Beloit; AgMark, LLC; Brush Art; S & S Drug; State Bank of Downs; The Farmers Bank of Osborne; Hubbard Feeds; Star Seed, Inc.; Landoll Corporation; Cunningham Telephone & Cable; Farmway Coop; MP&K Land & Livestock Co.; Rolling Hills Electrical Cooperative; Peterson Farm Partnership; and Shamburg Feed/Shamburg Oil Service, as well as many businesses who donated door prizes, fundraising prizes, and meal items, and the many volunteers who gave their time to make the event a success.



Steve & Valerie Walter walk with their children, Clare and Blaise



Members of the St John's Cross Country team lead the 5k walkers out of the park.

Walk Run Results

5k winners

Shawna Doane (female)
Jason Rinaldo (male)

Fundraising

Team - Dispatch Christian Reformed Church (\$800)
Adult— Donna Munsey
Teen —Elizabeth Ducote
Child— Kellen Elam



Wade Richard entertained the crowd with gospel music throughout the afternoon.

As we approach what many have called the most monumental election in this nation's history, we find ourselves faced with many questions. How do you know who to believe? Does what I believe matter? Will my vote make a difference?

I was saddened recently as I watched a video that was aired on TV directly aimed at Pregnancy Centers and how "bad and deceitful" they are. It hurt to hear the lies and see the exaggerated situations that made those who are giving their hearts and lives to help women, look as if they were there to destroy them.

The truth is Pregnancy centers provide needed and worthy services to their communities. As organizations providing alternatives to abortion, we play a critical role. If it were not for the presence of pregnancy centers, pregnant women would have few places to turn if they were seeking services other than abortions to assist them in their pregnancies.

A client contacted us recently just to say "thank you" for all Heart Choices did for her and her son. Now happily married, she is raising her child in a Christian home. It made a difference for her! And I see faces of children whose mothers came to us wondering if they should have an abortion, but chose life! The difference for them was life!

As Christians, we are called to be "life disciples". We have the responsibility to promote, teach, and encourage the sanctity of human life, by praying, giving, or serving. And remember to VOTE on November 8! You DO make a difference!

~ Alice

Dear Ladies,

Earlier this year I spoke to one of you about a service project and was told about the pregnancy bags that you give new expecting parents.

My friends and I got together this summer to make some for your center. We enjoyed doing this for you and had a great time being together.

We are grateful for the efforts you put forth to help and encourage young families. Jesus loves children and wants us to do what we can to rear them with the knowledge and love of Him.

Thank you for helping babies and children get off to a good and healthy start.

~B.L.-Local supporter



DO YOU HAVE WHAT IT TAKES?



What does it take to be a client advocate volunteer? There are several abilities needed to be a volunteer who will be working with clients one-on-one, but the most important one is **availability!**

Often I hear people say "I don't think I would know how to counsel a parent or young mother." The good news is that it is not as intimidating as it may sound! What you may not know is that Heart Choices provides all the training and support you need!

There is a misconception with potential volunteers that they would have to compile and 'teach' a class. That is the beauty of our Earn While You Learn (EWYL) curriculum! The client advocate is actually a facilitator of a curriculum *that is already in place!*

EWYL utilizes carefully selected DVD sessions and step-by-step lesson plans that are advocate friendly! The follow-along lesson content is presented by trained professionals, utilizing today's technology!

So, while being careful not to downplay the importance of our volunteers possessing people skills and the heart to serve, I am certain there are men and women who already possess what is needed to serve and just don't realize it! Are you available for a few hours a month?

Do you have a desire to make a difference in lives? Then you may just be what we need! If you have hesitantly wondered if this was an opportunity for you, please hesitate no longer! Contact me at Heart Choices and explore the option! We have offices in Concordia and Beloit that are seeking client volunteers! You may be the answer to the need!

~ Rachel Ducote, Program Director

**RECYCLE YOUR
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Did you know your empty ink and toner cartridges can be turned into CASH for Heart Choices?

You can make a difference for the environment while helping children & families. Drop them off at 6th & Independence or call 738-3433 for pickup.



When Giving Brings a Blessing: A Donor's Story of God's Faithfulness

"This year has been a difficult one for us financially, due to the instability of my husband's job. As we were discussing the upcoming bills and responsibilities, I reminded him of the pledge we had committed to Heart Choices before the end of the year. He reminded me that "the Lord has always provided for us and He will provide for this need."

Although I knew God had prompted us to make that commitment to help carry out the work at Heart Choices, at that moment I didn't see how we could afford this donation.

Two days later I picked up the mail and there was an envelope from a loved one who lives out of state. Inside there was a sticky note saying only that they were thinking of us and a check for \$250 – the exact amount of our pledge!

I called the sender immediately to thank them for the gift and she said she had intended on sending it about a month earlier, but kept forgetting to put it in the mail. God's timing is perfect!

This incident has increased our faith and has reminded us to be more generous in our giving. He will always provide if we are obedient to His prompting. You can never out-give God!"

Second Thursday of the month
7:00 pm

HeBrews Café, Glen Elder

Hearts In Healing

Grief Support Group

If you have lost a child through death or miscarriage, you are invited. Meet others, listen, and share experiences that have helped in working through the grieving process..

"Change for Life" Baby Bottle Campaigns



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Christmas is just around the corner and we are planning for our annual "Happy Birthday, Jesus" party for our clients & families. We are seeking donations of NEW, UNWRAPPED toys (\$15—\$20 value) for children ages 0 to 14 yrs.

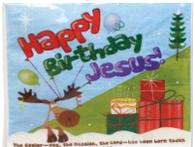
If you would like to bring a smile to a child's face this Christmas, please bring the gifts to the Center

**by
December 6**

Thank you!!







SEXUAL INTEGRITY PROGRAMS
Megan Nulf, Director of Student & Youth Services

The Secret Keeper Girl group of moms and tweens (8-12 yrs) met for the first time this school year on October 11th. We were excited to see new faces in the group! The Bible study, led by Dannah Gresh, is done live via the internet so we have access to the wisdom of some amazing ladies! Dannah brings the message of purity in a biblical, engaging and bonding way. October's topic for discussion was "The Power of a Praying Girl: How to Talk to God".



Please know that mothers/guardians/mentors are invited and encouraged to attend our Bible study! We meet the second Tuesday of each month.

Our group kicks things off with snacks and social time at 6 p.m. Bible study begins promptly at 6:30 p.m. We would love to have you!



In September, our staff was blessed to attend the Rocky Mountain LIFE Conference for Pregnancy Resource Center workers. How refreshing to meet with others who share our passion for ministry to women and families and to learn how to better serve our community. It was a much needed time of worship, teaching, and fellowship!

Pictured (l to r): Karrie, Alice, Megan, Rachel, Donise

Thank you for donations given

IN MEMORY OF

Harry Beyer
 Robert Cordel
 Bob Hewitt
 Maxine McCune
 Marie H. "Teen" Nelson
 Michael B. Wise

**Thankful For God's Bounty
Of Little Blessings**

Jackson Matthew ~ 7/03/16 ~ 6 lbs 7oz
 Freya Grace ~ 7/12/16 ~ 6 lbs 11oz
 Brenilyn Ougust ~ 7/26/16 ~ 8 lbs 2oz
 Justyce Nikole ~ 7/28/16 ~ 8 lbs 12oz
 Kelsey Anne ~ 8/06/16
 Jordon Lee ~ 09/15/16 ~ 7 lbs 1oz
 Arianna ~ 10/08/17 ~ 6 lbs





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'CRUNCH FOR A CAUSE'—Monday, Nov. 14
Taco John's in Concordia will donate 10% of all sales from
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(someone will contact you or call 738-3433 for more information)

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