



The Lifeline

Beltway 8 South

Crisis Pregnancy Center

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Provides Support Services for Women with Unplanned Pregnancies

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**A Big
THANK YOU
to CPC Supporters**

As a Pro-Life, non-profit 501(c) (3), Christian based corporation, we are totally dependent upon the generosity of our supporters. The cost of services provided to each client is \$100 to \$200.

Those giving their time and financial aid are truly making a difference one life at a time. May God richly bless you.

The Blessing

From the Director

Jean Killough

It is an awesome privilege to be in the presence of the Lord as He calls his faithful to complete the Twice the Space expansion of the ministry. We would like to say thank you to everyone who has contributed to the project with your funds and talent.

The Letter

La Sheak arrived at our door as a struggling, desperate single parent. She had accepted Christ as her Lord and Savior at the age of 10 but was having a difficult time trusting Him with this unplanned pregnancy. Although she did not believe in abortion, her mind was determined to terminate the pregnancy. Her financial situation and the absence of the baby's father left her hopeless. It was Christmas and she could not even provide presents for her 5 year old son. As she told us later, the counseling fell on deaf ears, the video failed to change her heart and the ultrasound was seen by blinded eyes. There was no changing her mind that day. However, she left having touched the heart of Stephine, her counselor, and with the prayers of many.



Counselor Stephine McCoy

Our counselors serve numerous broken hearted, post-abortive women who weep as they tell their stories. Their grief often leads to depression, thoughts of suicide and substance abuse. This places a heavy burden on their hearts for clients who leave still resolved to abort. Without understanding, women discover the true pain of abortion when it is too late to change their mind. Stephine knew, regardless of La Sheak's final decision, she would need her and continued to stay in touch. After a few weeks, La Sheak stopped taking her calls, this prompted Stephine to write her a letter. La Sheak said the letter arrived just in time and caused her to call for the follow-up ultrasound that she had previously rejected. By March, she was 19 weeks pregnant and the image revealed a baby girl. Knowing someone cared helped her to choose life.

Last week, La Sheak and the father of the baby came by to show us their adorable baby. She laughed as she recalled her previous visits. She said she was convinced that abortion was her only option. She did not want counseling, the video or an ultrasound. She did not even want to hear she was having a little girl. However, now her gratitude overflows as she declares, *"I am so glad that I had her and thankful the letter came just in time"*.



La Sheak and Family

In One's Own Words

Dear Mrs. Jan,
My name is Jennifer U. Hopefully you can remember me. I came here about 5 months ago. You saw me at the last minute and were the first to confirm my pregnancy. I cried with you and the nurse while I was accepting this gift into my life. Ever since that day your kindness and understanding has stayed on my mind. I just wanted to thank you for helping me ease the news into my heart and let you know we're bringing a baby boy into this world. The same tears of joy I cried when we were for certain I was carrying life are the same I share with my friends, family, neighbors and even strangers to let them know there was a great woman who took time to care for us. A stranger became a friend. Thank you for everything,
Jennifer & Baby

Pray Continually

The work of the Lord at the Crisis Pregnancy Center is totally dependent upon the power of prayer. Therefore, members of our advisory board, staff and volunteers joined in the National Day of Prayer at Houston's City Hall. We would be overjoyed if one day our doors could be closed for lack of need, but until then, it is imperative that we depend on the Lord answering prayer.

Those involved in this ministry truly take scripture to heart. 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18 declares, "**Be joyful always; pray continually; give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus**". In personal daily devotions, we lift up our lawmakers, supporters, clients and one another. At the beginning of each shift, we join together to praise the Lord for allowing us to witness His awesome work.



We ask Him to give us great discernment and anoint our lips with His words that we may comfort and counsel those making difficult choices. During the counseling and ultrasound session, we often break away to pray for a person's specific needs.

Countless numbers of our clients are being pressured to abort by others or look at their circumstances and determine they have no other choice but to sacrifice the life of their unborn. Guarding confidentiality, we call their client numbers to a local church that immediately broadcasts the need. These incredible prayer warriors are faithful to stop at a moment's notice and lift up the wounded in prayer. Many hearts are changed before they leave the Center but others walk away still undecided or determined to abort.

Though we attempt to stay in contact, it is often months later before we learn of their final decision. There is great celebration when one returns to say thanks. Some start attending the LEAP (Life Education Assistance Program) and tell of their joy in choosing life as they eagerly await birth. Others call from the hospital holding their newborn; they declare this moment would not be if not for the work of this ministry. Still others come by months later with their babies in their arms and a smile on their face to share their gratitude. We return to praise the Lord for His great mercy.

Please join us in the ongoing prayer that Life, Liberty and the Pursuit of Happiness will be extended to the unborn in our nation. **May God Bless America and ALL her children.**

You Can Help

Through June 2009, Beltway served 1,100 client visits, with 500 being new clients. Approximately 80% of the 250 "At Risk to Abort" clients chose "LIFE" for their babies, 57 individuals accepted Jesus as Lord and Savior and 12 rededicated their life to Christ. However, like many ministries today, we are facing a serious budget shortfall that threatens our ability to continue providing this level of service as well as to complete the current expansion of our space from 3,000 sq. ft. to 6,000 sq. feet. Your continued prayers and monthly support are needed and deeply appreciated. In addition, we are asking you to help us promote the following coming fundraisers:

The Center's **Fourth Annual Golf Tournament** will be held on Monday, September 14th at Golfcrest Country Club in Pearland. If you would like to sponsor a team or sign up to play, please contact Ben Boyd, at (713) 858-7120.

The Center's **First Magi Market** will be Saturday, October 10th at 10851 Scarsdale Blvd. If you are a vendor of arts, crafts or other products and would like to reserve an exhibition booth, please email lindas326@cs.com. All shoppers mark your calendar and save the date. More information is coming soon at www.lifelinecpc.org.