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SERVICES

- One on One mentoring for individual and crisis support
- Resources and Referrals for support
- Divorce support group class
- Grief Support group
- Parenting programs
- Miscarriage and baby loss support program
- Families with special needs children referrals
- CARE Program for Pregnancy resource and support
- ♦ Free pregnancy testing

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Bella.....

came to life's connection as a 24 year old college graduate, She shared, how she was ready to start her new career and was in a relationship with the love of her life. after a couple of heartbreaks and dysfunctional relationships, she felt this was the one. Until she missed her period and had a positive pregnancy test, everything and everyone changed.

She felt, she had no one to turn to, no one would understand, her family was already in turmoil and always on the edge of devastation both financially and emotionally.

She knew, they could not and would not support her.

She confided in a family member that did support her , she encouraged her to seek guidance, she found Life's Connection on line, she called, made an appointment, came in for an intake, where we listened, counseled and supported her in how we could help her with our pre and postnatal incentive based educational program.

We confirmed her positive home pregnancy test with a medical grade, test and an ultrasound to confirm viability.

She was very uncertain of what she would do, if she would keep the baby or give the baby up for adoption. We talked through the options and how we could support her.

We helped her make a plan to inform the father of the baby and her parents.

She was not supported by her boyfriend or family and felt very alone , the weeks to follow, She felt very sad and depressed and began to share how she did not feel she could have the baby, she was contemplating abortion even though it was against her heart.

She shared how she made an appointment and while driving there, she kept thinking about that little flickering heartbeat on the ultrasound monitor, she felt she could not do it.

We talked through the risks both physically and emotionally and the profound impact on her life now and the future.

During her scheduled ultrasound the baby waved, she shared how she knows, she will have her baby and will begin to plan her future for her and her baby, she shared how her once plans for two meaning her and her boyfriend are still for two, meaning her and her baby.

When she came in this week, she was smiling and shared the joy of finding out her baby's gender and choosing a name.

She shared, Life's Connection and staff helped support he during a time of uncertainty with love and education to help her every step of the way as she has prepared and learned how to take care of her baby, she feels hope and strength to be a good mother.

She looks forward to her baby meeting all of her "L.C. Aunties."

Nora....

The anticipation was growing as Nora, her husband and 2 yr old daughter waited for their precious son to be born. He wasn't due for a few more weeks but then suddenly due to a health issue that Nora had, their little son was born early. Though he was a beautiful little boy, tragically he was stillborn. It was an unexpected, shocking and devastating experience. Nora grieved deeply as she tried to heal both physically and emotionally. Her husband wasn't able to deal with it emotionally, so he did the only thing he could- pushing it out of his mind and moving on. Nora wasn't able to talk through her grief or receive the emotional support that she so needed from her husband. Her family was loving but they too wanted to 'move on' and not talk about what happened. Her sister got pregnant about this time and she asked that Nora not talk about her son around her. His family just told her- even pressured her- to get pregnant again in order to get over the lose of her precious son. But she didn't want to just 'get over' her son- she was devastated and she needed time to grieve.

About 6 months later Nora heard about the Miscarriage/Stillbirth ministry of Life's Connection. She came in and received the Hope Box which she loved. She also received much needed love, encouragement and permission to talk about her son and share the grief that she was feeling. She shared with Krys that "our services have been so healing for her". She continues to come back a couple times a month to continue to work through her grief. Staff is able to pray with her and encourage her to talk about the loss that she still feels. She shared that she is doing better now but still has her bad days when she misses her son. Her family recently again commented that she should be 'over' her son's death by now. But we were able to reassure her that it is very normal to grieve a year or more when working through the death of a loved one. She was comforted by this. Nora is a woman of strong faith in God. She holds onto His love and trusts that her son is in the arms of her loving Father. This brings comfort to her as well as the thought that she will one day be reunited with her precious son.

~What's going on at Life's Connection?~

If you wonder where your dollar is going at Life's Connection or the impact you are making.....this is what we have been up to :

CENTER VISITS

1462 clients served!
6802 services provided
687 group class participants
201 Miscarriage Support visits
Ultrasound: 294
252 saved babies
15935 material items earned by clients in the Baby Boutiques!



LIFE HELPLINE

46,198 visitors to website
myabortionquestions.org
90 emails to the centers
1491 women chose life

Over 4500 women and men CHOSE LIFE -that we know of -and we are shouting it out!

Thank you....and remember ...We need you!

Ariana....

Ariana is unmarried and very scared to be pregnant.

She has never felt abortion was something she would consider, her boyfriend was really pressuring her to abort, they couldn't afford a child as he is the only one working she felt alone and isolated. She wasn't feeling well and was very tired, she was experiencing morning sickness and starting to feel desperate to make it all stop. Our counselor, Rita, took the opportunity to educate her on fetal development and the development of her baby. They discussed all of her options and risks involved both physically and emotionally where she expressed how making a decision to abort was causing her more stress and heartache. They also discussed adoption as a healthy option, allowing her to choose life, a family and hope for her child.

Rita encouraged her and supported her in knowing that Life's Connection's incentive based education earning mommy money points to shop in our Baby Boutique and receive diapers each time she would come in will help to support and prepare her with all that she would need to care for her new child and afterward as she would be parenting her children with parenting education.

As the two talked through the fetal development, abortion procedures, risks and our support and support of the community agencies to help her parent, she stated, she is going to talk to him, bring him the picture of the ultrasound seeing her babies heartbeat and seeing its perfect form within her womb.

She shared, how hopeless and alone she felt when she arrived and how she now feels she has a support team, someone to care , somewhere to turn.

Anna....

Recently Josey, an LC Counselor had walk-in for a pregnancy test having been referred by a local agency. She stated that she was thinking about abortion as an option because of many reasons and obstacles. She felt though that if she was able to get support through the pregnancy that she would keep the baby. Joselyn talked to her about her options. In the process, she shared to me that she had a miscarriage. She said that after the miscarriage that she began drinking a lot because she was grieving the lost. Joselyn shared that if she were going to get an abortion that her hard work in not drinking due the miscarriage would be lost and that many people after abortion have issues with addictions. Joselyn also explained that there was a link between breast cancer and abortions. She was surprised to hear this because she has the gene for breast cancer and didn't want to up her chances for cancer in the future. She chose life by the end of the appointment.

She is happy with her decision and she is continuing to come in for support for her pregnancy and her little 2 year old son.

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