



Gentle Voice for Life

A quarterly newsletter from Pregnancy Resource Center of Fort Bend County, a non-profit organization helping women with the choice for life.

Pregnancy Resource Center
*"Speaking the Truth
with Love"*



A Reliable Friend

Quality client follow-up is essential to the client relationship. The use of our database management technology enables staff and volunteers to keep track of years of data on each client within a secure electronic environment. This information allows us to remain current about each client's life situation as it changes and gives us the ability to quickly assess their needs, and determine how we might best serve them.

Our Client Services Coordinator tracks each expectant mother up to her due date, with the Peer Counselor contacting each mother. As we correspond with each client we are able to be a steadfast and reliable friend over the course of her pregnancy. We provide emotional support and encouragement by listening, praying and offering her additional referral information when needed.

It is amazing how following up with a client has changed over the years. In the past we would make a phone call or send a note in the mail. Now we are able to e-mail, text or even instant message her! The response to this technology has been amazing. I feel that we are able to reach many more clients.

On one occasion I had an abortion minded client that would not answer her phone and I decided to text her. I sent a her a note that I had been thinking of her and wanted her to know I was there if she needed me. I was nervous as I waited for her response. It was about a half hour when she replied. She thanked me and said she was doing well. I asked her what she had decided about her pregnancy. As I eagerly waited, I felt I was certain of her reply; you see, I read in her file that her daughter had special needs and she felt was a real burden to her; she stated that abortion was her ONLY choice. I waited.... and finally... her reply...

Me: What did you decide about your pregnancy?
Client: im carrying him full term im due any day
im just waiting for him to get here.

What a joy! As a peer counselor, it is amazing to watch a client gain perspective as her heart softens toward life for her baby.

Not all of our follow-up correspondences go this way. Sometimes, clients choose abortion and when this happens... although we are sad... we are there... offering unconditional love and healing help.

- Lisa Smith, Community Relations Coordinator



"Nothing we do to defend the human person, no matter how small, is ever unfruitful or forgotten. Our actions touch other lives and move other hearts in ways we can never fully understand in this world. Don't ever underestimate the beauty and power of the witness you give in your pro-life work."

~Archbishop Charles Chaput

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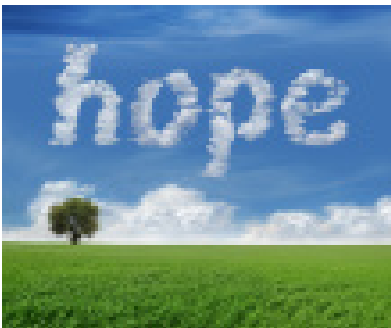
How We Help...

January - April 2011 Clients Served

Pregnancy Tests	269
Positive Tests	144
Already planned to carry	116
Abortion Minded	28
Changed mind	21
Unchanged mind	7
Undecided	0
Confirmed Births	32
Mommy Store visits	261
LEP Class Attendance	260

"I've noticed that everyone who is for abortion is already born."

- Ronald Reagan



PRC Vision Hours

Reaching the community with our mission is very important. How are people going to get the help we can provide if they don't know we exist? Of the people who know about PRC, how many are familiar with *everything* we have to offer? Not many. One reason for this is most of our clients don't leave and tell their parents and friends about the great services and unconditional love they received while at PRC. Most likely, they don't want others to know that they needed a pregnancy test.

Our clients have wonderful things to say about PRC. On April 2011, a client was asked what she liked most about PRC. On an exit evaluation form, she wrote, "The faith my peer counselor had. She was amazing. She is so sweet, kind and helpful. Finding out you are expecting is a big thing, but talking to her felt so comforting. Thank you so much." We know what we do makes a big difference in our community and our clients' lives, but we also know many others need our help. This year we are doing something new to get our message out: PRC Vision Hours.

What is a PRC Vision Hour? It is a one hour tour of the center that covers our mission, services and plans for the future. Guests have an opportunity to meet volunteers, staff and board members who share our experiences and how we have seen PRC impact and save lives. By the end of the tour guests have a very good understanding of our purpose, how we operate and why we care.

What isn't a PRC Vision Hour? A fundraiser. We never ask for money or for a commitment. We simply want to share what we do with our guests. We believe if more people are aware of everything we have to offer we would receive more client referrals, some of which would be abortion-minded; resulting in an increase in changed abortion views and saved lives.

We would love to have as many people attend as possible. Therefore, we offer PRC Vision Hours twice a month at convenient times on the 2nd Thursday at 7PM and the 4th Tuesday at 8:30AM. Would you please come and let us share our vision with you? You will leave inspired and reassured that an organization like ours exists to meet the needs of our community. Do you know others whom you think might be interested, too? Let them know about us, they may know people who need programs and services PRC can provide. If you would like to attend a PRC Vision Hour call 281-232-2375 or e-mail prcfortbend@sbcglobal.net and let us know when you are coming and how many guests, if any, you would like to bring.

The more people who know about us, the more support we will have and the more clients we will be able to reach. You may have heard the saying, "It takes a village to raise a child." Well, I think it sometimes takes a village to save one along with her mother and family. We have the wonderful opportunity to impact the lives of our clients, often redirecting their lives and changing their futures. Would you help us extend our services to as many as possible by getting to know us better?

- Tracie Shellhouse, Executive Director

Getting Involved

PRC Vision Hour

June 9 th	7:00pm
June 28 th	8:30am
July 14 th	7:00pm
July 26 th	8:30am

Come and learn about Pregnancy Resource Center which has been impacting the lives of women and families since 1981.

This is not a fundraiser. A PRC Vision Hour is a great opportunity to see our center and learn about our mission.

Call 281-232-2375 to RSVP

We need YOU!

Peer Counselor Training Begins in July

We have a great need for Peer Counselor volunteers. It is our goal to be available for clients that work or go to school. To do this we must increase our hours of operation and our number of volunteers.

Classes begin the first week of July and will run for Six weeks. Based on registration, they will be held either at 9:00-12:00am or at 6:00-9:00pm. For enrollment, please contact Meggi Stewart at meggi_prc@sbcglobal.net or call 281-232-2375.



Request a link to your Kroger Card to PRC AND link your Randall's Remarkable card to our PRC account # 1442



Do you have a vehicle to donate?

Call Volunteers of America 800-862-4483

Tell them it is for PRC and we receive half the auction proceeds!



Sexual Integrity Program

Youth ages 11 and up, you are invited to join us this Summer!
Session One: June 13th and 20th ~ Session Two: July 11th and 18th
9:00 to 11:00 a.m.

Please contact Loryss Portillo to register 281-232-2375

Topics Include:

You're A Treasure you are of great value

Marriage it's not just a piece of paper

STDs knowledge is life, ignorance is death

How to Choose Your Mate

You hold the key to your treasure and your heart!



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Mission Statement
 Our purpose is to prevent abortion by offering women the information, emotional support, spiritual encouragement and practical help that will empower them to choose life for their children and sexual integrity for themselves.



Our Motto
 Speaking the Truth With Love

After hours callers are referred to the Option Line for help 24/7 at 1-800-395-HELP.
 We are affiliated with Heartbeat International.
 We are non-denominational and not politically active.

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<i>January - March 2011</i>			
Expenses:	\$78,688	Income:	\$ 37,492
Payroll, Taxes	\$33,842	Contributions: Churches, Organizations, Individuals, Corporations	\$ 34,917
Rent, Util., Phone, Supplies, Equip., Depreciation, Repairs	\$21,098		
Direct Program Exp: Advertising, Preg. Tests, Edu. Materials and Baby Items	\$2,319	Fundraisers: Banquet, BBB, Sales	\$2,567
Fundraising and Promotions	\$16,539	Foundations & Grants	\$0
Postage and Printing	\$2,646	Interest Income	\$7.74
Conf., Training, Insurance, Volunteer Appreciation	\$1,354	<p>Thank you to all who contributed!</p>	
Travel, Payroll Services, Credit Card Fees, Misc.	\$890		

IN HONOR OF

As a part of the Baby Bottle Boomerang campaign, donations are given to PRC in memory of the following loved ones:

Aanes Lidiak	Celeste A. Moreau	Gordon Reid	Margaret Ruschaupt	Pyretta Reid
Alma Ludwig	Charles Anyanwu	Gussie Hardt	Margaret McMullin	Raquel Mendez
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