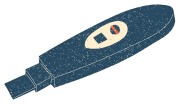
Pregnancy Center State Impact Report

In **2019**, pregnancy centers provided services & materials valued at more than

$7.8 million

to the state of Illinois, serving **48,998** women, men, youth, & families.

$4,543,834 IN MEDICAL SERVICES



16,916 free pregnancy tests

14,771 free ultrasounds performed by registered nurses/medical sonographers

2,670 total STD/STI tests performed by registered nurses (2,426 patients tested - 83% female, 17% male)

8 out of every 10 pregnancy center locations in the U.S. are medical

$2,381,033 IN FAMILY SERVICES

21,901 free consultations with new clients

27,097 students attended free sexual risk avoidance presentations

6,750 clients received free parenting education (90% female, 10% male)

612 clients received free after-abortion support & recovery (92% female, 8% male)

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$885,017 IN MATERIAL ITEMS

130,201

total free baby items given to families in need

- 45,838 free packs of diapers
- 24,939 free packs of baby wipes
- 57,516 free new & used baby clothing outfits
- 1,056 free new car seats
- 852 free new & used strollers

MADE POSSIBLE BY

452 total staff, 27% of whom were licensed medical professionals

1,624 total volunteers, 12% of whom were licensed medical professionals

Finding Hope in Grayslake, IL

Felicia was in her last year of college and working towards a career in social work when she found out she was pregnant. During her first appointment at Informed Choices, she learned about all her options and received an ultrasound.

Felicia said, “I was going to have an abortion, but changed my mind just by coming here and talking it through. Hearing it out loud, I don’t want to do that—it doesn’t sound like me. I was making an irrational decision. Having someone not judging, just listening...it kinda helped me realize that’s not what I wanted. I was doing it out of fear. And now that I have support and someone to talk to about things, I can do this. I’m stronger than I thought I was. I’m gonna get my life together, figure out things I need to do to be successful, and make sure my baby is well taken care of.”

For Felicia, that included regular appointments at Informed Choices to learn about labor and delivery, breastfeeding, and infant care, so when her daughter Xamora was born, Felicia felt healthy and well-equipped to be a mom.

*Felicia is an actual client and is pictured here with her daughter.

DATA NOTES:

- This report is a collaborative project between Care Net and the Charlotte Lozier Institute (CLI).
- Value of services is based upon materials and services provided by 96 pregnancy centers in the state of Illinois. At least 6 of these centers received state or federal funding in 2019.
- Total savings are calculated based on cost estimates of services, classes and baby items provided to clients. The sources for the cost estimates and valuation of items and services can be found in the Methodology section, pgs 12-14, of the 2020 CLI national pregnancy center report, "Pregnancy Centers Stand the Test of Time" (www.lozierinstitute.org/pcr2020), except for the following state specific labor costs.
- The Illinois mean hourly wages referenced are as follows for: Social Workers in local/state government is $35.38 per hour - BLS OES code 21-1029, Registered Nurses is $35.85 per hour - OES code 29-1141, and Diagnostic Medical Sonographers is $37.42 per hour - OES code 29-2032.
- The estimated savings does not include housing and other monetary assistance provided to some clients. We advocate for our clients by networking with hundreds of county, state and non-profit social service organizations around the country. We cannot quantify the value of emotional support given to the women we help through phone calls and caring volunteers.
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