

WEST VIRGINIA

helping communities flourish

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

\$686 thousand

to the state of West Virginia, serving **6,507** women, men, youth, & families.

\$280,725 IN MEDICAL SERVICES



1,422 free pregnancy tests



904 free ultrasounds performed by registered nurses/medical sonographers

392 total STD/STI tests performed by registered nurses (136 patients tested - 100% female)

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

\$284,285 IN FAMILY SERVICES

2,568 free consultations with new clients

3,939 students attended free sexual risk avoidance presentations

1,013 clients received free parenting education (91% female, 9% male)

16 clients received free after-abortion support & recovery (90% female, 10% male)



\$121,110 IN MATERIAL ITEMS



18,898
total free baby
items given to
families in need



6,291 free packs of diapers
3,661 free packs of baby wipes
8,800 free new & used baby clothing outfits
88 free new car seats
58 free new & used strollers

MADE POSSIBLE BY

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

219 total volunteers, 9% of whom were licensed medical professionals



Finding Hope in Parkersburg, WV

In September of 2016, Lauren* was sexually assaulted, and in October she learned that she was pregnant as a result. Until that point, Lauren would have agreed with what others were telling her: the obvious option in a situation like hers was abortion, but instead she found herself doubting that choice. She made an appointment at the Women's Care Center in Parkersburg, WV, where she received an ultrasound confirming her pregnancy. A staff member at the center sat with Lauren, listened to her thoughts and feelings, and helped her with important information about her pregnancy decision. After her appointment, Lauren said "I really thought about my life and what I wanted, instead of what everyone was telling me."

Lauren decided to carry her child to term and throughout her pregnancy, she visited the Women's Care Center for support. She was also able to obtain material items she wasn't able to afford but needed for her child. In May, despite a placental abruption that put both her and the baby's lives at risk, Lauren delivered a beautiful baby boy.

"When I found out about my pregnancy, I was scared, angry, stressed and a mix of other emotions. I never in a million years believed I was strong enough to make it through everything. I credit my son with fully helping me heal the trauma, but before his arrival it was The Women's Care Center that helped me get through. The best choice I made was walking through that door!"

*Real client. Image is for illustrative purposes only.

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 16 pregnancy centers in the state of West Virginia. At least 2 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 West Virginia mean hourly wages referenced are as follows for: Social Workers in local/state government is \$31.50 per hour - BLS OES code 21-1029, Registered Nurses is \$30.39 per hour - OES code 29-1141, and, Diagnostic Medical Sonographers is \$29.80 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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