

Quarterly News & Updates - May 2022

Our Mission: "To empower women and men considering abortion to choose life for their child, and healing and abundant life for themselves in Christ"



From the Desk of the Executive Director

We just had our Gala for Life, which was considerably timely this year. We booked Anne O'Connor, Vice-President of Legal Affairs at the National Institute of Family and Life Advocates in anticipation of the Supreme Court decision in Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization, the determination in the state of Mississippi's law that ban's almost all abortions after 15 weeks of pregnancy and thus overturn Roe v. Wade. Little did we know that just a week before the Gala, the draft of the court opinion, which does in fact overturn Roe v. Wade would be leaked to the press.

I suppose that it should not be a surprise to the Pro-Life community the backlash from pro-abortion groups such as planned parenthood.

Even a baby at 15 weeks is in the second trimester of pregnancy. According to Medical News Today at this time in development "Babies are roughly the size of an orange. They are gaining weight and now weigh around 3 ounces. They are starting to experience light and sound for the first time. The bones in its ears will be developing and they will be able to hear the sounds of the mother's heart, digestive system, and voice. Even though the eyes will remain closed, it will be able to sense and respond to light. Week 15 will also see the fetus begin use of their arms and legs. Over the coming weeks, the mother may notice kicking and fidgeting. A fetus will also be developing its grip at this stage and will be able to suck its thumb along with squinting and grimacing".

It is more than ever needed for the TRUTH to be widely disseminated and for babies to be saved from otherwise certain death. Of 79 recent positive pregnancy tests at the Boston Center for Pregnancy Choices, 60 mothers decided to carry to full term. Those are the type of results that coming to a pregnancy Center, rather than going to an abortion clinic provides. We provide supportive options counseling and then the resources to assist families to provide for their babies. Our recent partnership with the Blessing Barn will expand those resources to offer a variety of children's cloths and household items and even adult clothes in addition to the diapers and baby clothes that we already have provided through our Baby Boutique.

This Spring we also launched our first ever Father's in Training program in an effort to also minister to the father's and teach them skills on how to be good father's to their children.

We are also excited to announce the opening of the Springwater after abortion healing center in Quincy dedicated solely to after abortion healing counseling.

We are also stepping-up our efforts to share the Gospel with our clients as we firmly believe that to further our mission of making abortion unthinkable in the future, we need to reach more hearts for Christ.

I continue to consider it a privilege to be a part of God's work here at the Center and look forward to the exciting plans that God has for BCPC in the future! My sincere thank you to all of our donors, volunteers and prayer warriors. We could not continue the good work of saving and changing lives without you!

You can view a video update on the happenings at the Center [here](#)

May God richly bless you all!

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Kevin Sanders, Men's Crisis Counselor

As I think of my first couple of months as the Director of Men's Crisis Services here at the center, two themes come to mind: Joy and challenge. There is the joy of joining in the frontlines work of the pro-life cause. There is the joy of dreaming, praying, and working to develop a ministry that connects with men who are instrumental in the decision to choose life. Yet there are also challenges. The challenge of figuring out how to engage men who seem disinterested. The challenge of being pro abundant life in a culture that disregards the vulnerable. The challenge of being up against not flesh and blood, but against the spiritual powers of darkness (Ephesians 6:12).

With those themes in mind, I want to share with you three updates on our Men's Program so you can pray for us in this joyous yet challenging work.

Counseling Male Clients- As of this month, we are ready to receive men for options counseling when they come in to the center with their partner. As you may imagine, many men are reluctant to talk. Pray for a willingness in men to receive counsel when they come into the center.

Fatherhood Class- We are currently gathering expectant and new dads to implement our first fatherhood class. The class consists of 4 one-hour sessions to equip dads to father well and create a safe and caring home. Pray as we seek to gather dads to participate.

After-Abortion Counseling for Men- We are in the early stages of planning and preparing to offer After-Abortion Counseling for men. Pray for these preparations and for this ministry as we seek to bring hope, mercy, and healing to men who have experienced abortion.

In addition to these things, join me in praying for the men and their partners who come to the center- that in the midst of the great challenge of an unplanned pregnancy, they will experience the joy of life- the life of their child, and ultimate life in Christ!

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Recent Center Statistics:

- 478 Client visits in 2022
- 119 post abortion counseling visits
- New cases 183
- Babies saved: 34

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Tina's Story

Hello, my name is Tina. I came to the Center because I had an unplanned pregnancy with my boyfriend. Both of us were scared of the pregnancy and were uncertain about our life plans. We searched for pregnancy information online and BCPC popped out. The hardships that we were facing were our life plans with a baby. We were not ready for parenting and we also had financial hardship.

What I found helpful about the Center was the welcoming staff! Rebecca is a great listener, being patient and warm-hearted. They are also knowledgeable, guiding me through the initial panic stage when I found myself pregnant. If I could speak to a donor, I would say that I recommend BCPC to girls who are panicked, scared, confused, or have other mixed emotions when they discover that they are unexpectedly pregnant. BCPC not only comforts them at the beginning, but throughout the whole pregnancy. I feel so courageous to have made my pregnancy decision to keep my baby and I am so glad BCPC staff was there holding my hand.

Tina will be delivering a baby girl scheduled to be born on February 22nd. Here is a picture of the baby girl in the womb:



104 out of 118 new clients were very satisfied with their overall experience at the Center. The remaining 14

**BCPC Receives
Excellent Client
Feedback on**

were satisfied with their overall experience at the Center.

100% said that they would recommend us to a friend

Surveys



Many Thanks to our Church partners for blessing the Center clients with Christmas presents!

Due to the donations from Beacon Community Church, Hilltop Church and Sacred Heart Church we were able to provide Christmas presents to 25 of our clients and their families. Several cried tears of thankfulness when they picked-up their gifts.

A BIG THANK YOU TO ALL WHO DONATED!



Current Volunteer Needs:

- Receptionists
- Technical Support
- Graphic Design Help
- Cleaning Help
- Social Media Help

If you have any of the skills above and would like to assist BCPC on a very part-time basis, we would love to hear from you!

Please contact Lana Daniels, Volunteer Coordinator at:
ldaniels@bostonpregnancychoices.org



Seeking BCPC Board Members!

Would you or someone you know like to be more involved in Pro-Life ministry?

Qualifications:

- The Commitment to the Ministry here at BCPC
- The Love of Christ
- Willingness to attend a monthly Zoom Board meeting

Interested candidates please contact Larry Davis, Board Chair at: ldavis@bostonpregnancychoices.org



Thank you to the Boy Scouts!

We were blessed to have Boy Scout Noah Lyons choose to do a service project for us to earn his Eagle Scout medal and badge. Noah spoke at local churches to raise donations of diapers, clothes and other baby items from these various churches. Noah and the other Boy Scouts that assisted him brought truckloads of items and baskets of items to the Center. We were so blessed with items that we were also able to donate to a pregnancy Center in Providence Rhode Island that needed some additional items just before Christmas.



Save the Dates

Annual Gala - May 5th

**Worship, Praise and Prayer
event on the Boston Common
October 1st**

**Volunteer/Sponsor
Appreciation Dinner
December 1st**



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