

SPRING NEWSLETTER 2018

You Impact Lives









"I was nervous before I came in, but now I'm happy and excited about what this program can do for me." — C

"This place is great! There are great people who are very nice and explain everything! You all do a good job!" – J

Our Clients Speak:

"When I came to the Center for the first time I found everyone to be welcoming and nice. The Center is so well organized and clean. I enjoyed my appointment and the love that was shown to me." — B

"Thank ya'll SO much for all the love and support! I thank God I had your help! God bless!" — K

Did You Know?

- Only 29% of current high school students believe abortion is wrong
- 42% of high school students have had sex and 30% are having ongoing sex
- 12% of high school students reported at least 4 or more partners

***This is why HCPCC is so active in preventive education in the schools in Boerne, Comfort, Bulverde/Spring Branch. Close to 5,000 students a year receive either puberty education, a "live" sonogram demonstration with education on fetal development, or education on STIs.

***This is why HCPCC is investing in high school students going to pro-life camp during Spring Break and in developing Pro-Life Clubs in area high schools



One of our precious HCPCC babies.

Our Wish List:

- Baby Bottles
- Pacifiers
- Diaper Bags
- Receiving Blankets
- Baby Shampoo
- Baby Wash
- Baby Lotion
- Baby Socks (Sizes: Preemie & Newborn)

You Reach Out



St. Paul's Lutheran Church – the Women of the Word from St. Paull's Lutheran Church graciously host a baby shower for our moms



Knights of Columbus – Thank you to the Knights of Columbus from St. Joseph's Catholic Church of Honey Creek for their generous donation and support



Noella Mae and brother, Olsen, collect diapers and wipes



StanBio training — Thank you to StanBio Labs for donating professional grade pregnancy tests and the training provided to our nursing staff



Eastside Center Opens its Doors

For this past year the HCPCC has been working with the Eastside Pregnancy Care Center in San Antonio to help them prepare for the opening of their Center. After months of learning about how a center functions, what is needed to serve clients well, and screening and training volunteers — the Eastside Pregnancy Care Center is now open! CONGRATULATIONS!



Sono training – Paige Marko, RDMS trains nursing staff on ultrasound machine

HCPCC Nurses Undergo Rigorous Sonography Training

In order for our nurses to do the limited obstetric ultrasound that we do at the HCPCC, they first go away to a three day course and then follow up by doing 75

supervised sonograms with pregnant women. The follow up sonography training is time consuming and rigorous.

The HCPCC then hosts a 2 day training and "re-testing" by the National Institute for Family Life Association's ultrasound trainers. And then in September the nurses go again to an additional training by CareNet, the national Pregnancy Center organization that oversees the HCPCC and other Centers.

The HCPCC is incredibly grateful to those professionals who taught "hands on" sonography lessons at our Center: Dr. Megan Lenhart Ortiz, OB/GYN, Paige Marko, RDMS (registered sonography trainer), and Kristen Bradshaw, RDMS.

As you can imagine, we also owe a debt to the 75 "models" who agreed to be training subjects for our nursing staff.

Thank you to all who donated in support of the new sonogram machine and the sonography training that has been required for the HCPCC nurses!



Many thanks to all of our sonography "models"!



THE FLOWER SHOP - I-r Kim Hamilton, Cole, Sarah, Savannah





Nancy and Lewis at LSBA

Puberty Classes at Comfort Elementary



This past month the HCPCC once again taught the Puberty Classes to 60 children in 5th grade at Comfort Elementary. Our thanks go to Derek Schaefer from our Bulverde Spring Branch office who met with the boys and to Dr. Megan Ortiz and Yvonne Gallo met with the girls.

You Partner For Change



Ladies in Fellowship Together -These ladies from Comfort Baptist Church brought their hand made **HCPCC**



Pastor Mike Mantooth of First Baptist Church accepts an exclusive Beth Coyle print as they choose to be Corporate Church Partners with **HCPCC**



Many thanks to GVTC for their continued support of HCPCC



Hill Country Chapel Ladies Group -Holly Vogt Marks and the ladies of Pipe Creek Chapel collected diapers and wipes for our babies



Many thanks to the Maranatha Class of First Baptist Church in Boerne for their generous donation for the purchase of needed baby items.

Strengthening their 20mmunities

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Members of the HCPCC Board of Directors: Athena Oden, Doug Johnson, Kathlin Jauregui and Brandi Quinn of the HCPCC Advisory Board join Executive Director Diana Anzollitto at the groundbreaking

HCPCC Expands Again Construction has begun on a new

maternity and a new baby "shop" for our moms - which will allow our "Nanny's Closet" to become a workroom to process and store all

the necessary baby items for our families. This new building will allow us to provide additional material support of maternity items that have not previously been available at HCPCC.

This also will open up a new avenue of volunteering, as we'll be looking for women to help our new moms "shop" for themselves and for their babies with the "bucks" they earn through taking educational classes. Anyone interested should contact kimberlys@lifesprecious.org for an application packet and facility tour.

Local Teens Attend Pro-Life Camp

Once again the HCPCC has sponsored local teens to go to a Pro-life Camp. 12 high school age students spent their Spring Break learning about the Pro-Life cause. These students spent a lot of time having fun and yet also spent a good amount of time in workshops growing in their understanding of the Pro-life cause. We are so proud of these young people!

Now that they are back in school we'll be looking for ways that they can share their knowledge with fellow classmates. The HCPCC Executive Director has been in discussion with Students for Life about forming pro-life clubs in Boerne schools. Students for Life was started by college students and has begun to spread to high schools where students choose to form a pro-life club.

Anyone interested in getting involved in this should contact Diana Anzollitto at danzollitto@lifesprecious.org or 830-249-9717.

You Serve Others

Volunteering

At this year's Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon, our Executive Director thanked our volunteers and shared the following thoughts:

The term "to volunteer" was first used in 1630's meaning "one who offers himself

for service". That's exactly what our volunteers do — they offer themselves. . . and serve others.

Regardless of their particular skills, or their particular function at HCPCC – they make a difference in the lives of the families that we

serve. They make a difference in our community.

This year volunteers served 3,525.5 hours. They saved the Center \$85,035 and allowed us to be better stewards of our finances!

But volunteering doesn't just benefit the people who are served or the organization; a national study showed that volunteers benefit too.

- 95% of volunteers say it makes them happier and enjoy life more
- Volunteers report feeling "helper's high" when serving, they experience a sense of personal achievement
- 63% report it helps them feel less stressed or depressed and they meet interesting people and make friends

So, how about you – have you considered serving others at the HCPCC?

We'd love to have you join us! Contact kimberlys@lifesprecious.org



Many thanks to Cibolo Creek Church for all the landscape and cleaning work they did on Serving Sunday!









2018 Annual Gala:Abortion Survivor Speaks of Grace

Featured on many TV and Radio Programs, including Focus on the Family, Melissa Ohden joins the HCPCC Gala this year to speak of the incredible mercy and grace of our Lord. Her message of hope and forgiveness is one you'll not long forget! As a saline abortion survivor she will share how God allowed her to meet someone who had prayed outside the hospital the day she was born. Her testimony about God's grace enabling her to build relationships with her biological mother and family will inspire you!

The Gala will again be at The Cana Ballroom on Tuesday September 18th. As usual, seats will fill rapidly. *There is no cost to host a table* – just invite friends who will be blessed by this amazing speaker, good food, and a great evening program. But be sure to register early and join us at the Table Host Breakfast on August 8th to get a preview of the music and speaker so that you can share with all your friends.

HOST A JACA TABLE Be our Guest at Table Host Breakfast AUGUST 8th

Preview entertainment, speaker, music Get the details and all you'll need for hosting

Reserve your table before June 15th and receive a gift at breakfast!

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