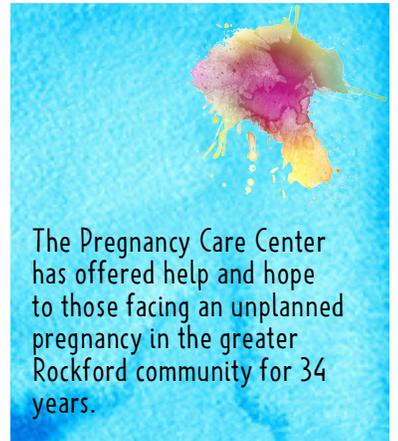




THE
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care center
OF ROCKFORD

Winter 2017



The Pregnancy Care Center has offered help and hope to those facing an unplanned pregnancy in the greater Rockford community for 34 years.

Celebrating 2016... Anticipating 2017!

At The Pregnancy Care Center, 2016 exited as boldly as it entered, bidding farewell to a record-setting year in our organization's history. After a year of buying and renovating a new facility, moving, and launching the Stork Bus, we were thrilled to see the number of clients increase despite all the transitions. We had a total of 2,622 client visits in 2016, which is 219 each month or more than 50 per week.

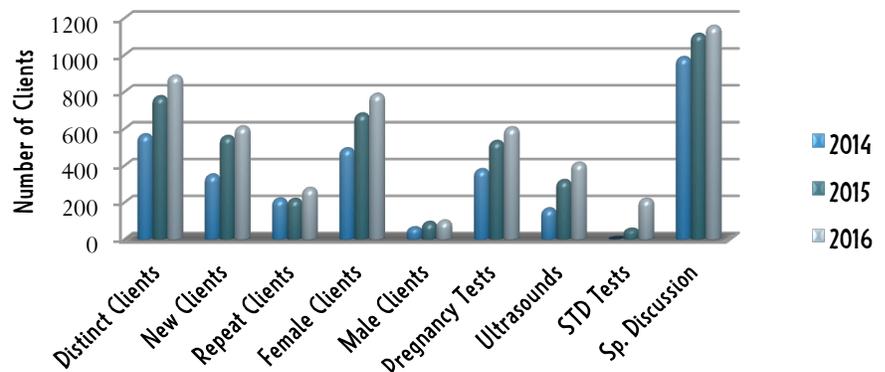
As you can see to the right, we experienced our third straight year of client growth in every category.

More importantly, we know that more than **one-third** of all clients were considering or planning to have an abortion, and *at least* 67% of those chose instead to carry their babies.

In other words, 188 women considering or planning to have an abortion changed their minds and decided to either carry and parent or make an adoption plan after coming to our center.

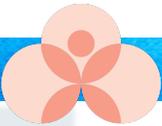
And those are just the clients we know about. The number is likely much higher. In our center, on the Stork Bus and in the schools, we are reaching those who need help and hope the most, and we are working to reach even greater numbers with more holistic life change in 2017. Will you join us?

3 Year Growth Comparison



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Gifts Given In Memory Of...

In Memory of Eloise Collins
William & Lori Collins
Ron & Karen Vandergrift

In Memory of Lisa Coole
Bill & Nancy Coole

In Memory of Christina Lynn Davis
George Davis

In Memory of Grace Guerrero
Mark & Cheri Guerrero
Tom & Cathy Wilcox

In Memory of Jeanette Huff
Al & Donna Benson

In Memory of Larry Johnson
Tom & Sue Bleed

**In Memory of
Porod, Hourihan & Quinn Families**
Robert Porod

In Memory of Tommy Schwindaman
Matt & Jill Christensen

In Their Own Words...

My daughter has been going to The Pregnancy Center for some time now. I go to support her at all her appointments. The staff is so wonderful, kind, and really takes the time with her. Gives her great information otherwise she may not have known. Being her first child, they also offer many classes to help her get ready for the big day coming in a few months. I tell as many as I can. 5 stars for sure!



-Anonymous Review on Google

"I am grateful for EVERYTHING I received, the items, the knowledge, the healing, and the feeling that I wasn't alone." -Ashley

From the Executive Director

What a winter! We have had incredible cold temps, unbelievable warmth, snowstorms, freezing rain, high winds, and everything in between. The unpredictability of the weather seems to mirror the chaotic world in which we live.

Yet, regardless of the turmoil in the skies or in the world, our mission at The Pregnancy Care Center remains the same. We are staying laser-focused on our client who enters our center feeling afraid, looking for answers, and seeking hope. Our commitment to saving and changing lives does not waver.

We are incredibly grateful for the temporary injunction we received regarding the amended Health Care Right of Conscience Act requiring all medical doctors and clinics to refer for abortion. As I write, we wait for the State to appeal. For a brief moment, we have a much-needed respite from the storm so that we can continue to carry on with our mission.

On a personal note, this winter has held some storms in my family as well. As my husband and I have navigated his prostate cancer and two surgeries, followed by "super colds" and bronchitis that have lingered for weeks, we have been forced to slow down and rest more than usual. It has provided an opportunity to lean into God and trust Him to bring healing. This season has been another reminder that, like the weather, we have very little control in life (despite our illusions!). Recently, I heard the words to the song "Still" by Hillsongs:



When the oceans rise and thunders roar
I will soar with you above the storm
Father, You are King over the flood
I will be still and know You are God

Find rest my soul
In Christ alone
Know His power
In quietness and trust



Your Joy oh lord
Will be my strength,
Renouncing fear
We stand in your glorious grace

Regardless of the winter storms you are facing, I pray that your soul finds rest in Christ and that you may know His power, joy and strength in quietness and trust.

Thank you for your faithful, generous support regardless of the season. And may we all soar above whatever storms may come.

Until spring returns!

Tiffany

Tiffany Staman
Executive Director



Special thanks to Doug Price and team at Midwest Mailworks for providing the mailing service for our newsletter!



Thank you to Generous Friends who made the Season Merry and Bright!



The Chamber's Advantage Club Originals hosted Good Morning Rockford! to collect a tower of diapers, wipes, and TP for The PCC! Amazing!



Northeast Christian Church held a church-wide collection of toiletries, blankets, clothing, and small baby items for our clients. St. James of Rockford also donated children's toys and baby outfits. Thank you!



Thanks to All Seasons for keeping our carpets nice and clean!

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carpet cleaning



At left, Brian O'Reilly of Knights of Columbus #4330 presents a check for \$15,000 from their local chapter to purchase the new portable ultrasound machine for the Stork Bus. Their contribution will be matched by the Supreme Council. Thank you, Knights!

At right, Rockford Network of Professional Women hosted their annual Christmas Party and collected needed items for The PCC. Kay King, Karen Keller and Jan Bowman organized the event. We are so grateful for community support!



Changing Lives and Strengthening Families... one at a time!



Want to join the adventure?

What is keeping you from getting involved at The Pregnancy Care Center? Here are several ways you can get involved and partner with us:

- **Tour our new facility** and see firsthand what aspects connect with your gifts and passions. To arrange a tour, call Liz today at 815.680.5107.
- **Arrange a presentation** at your church, workplace, or community organization. We can accommodate any size, time, or location.
- **Volunteer!** Close to 70 people volunteer at The PCC each week. We are always growing our team of mentors, receptionists, nurses, & Positive Choices facilitators. We need you! For more info, call 815.680.5103.
- **Arrange a Baby Bottle Campaign** at your church. Did you know we raise more than \$25,000 each year through collecting change? It all adds up!
- **Pray for us** as we serve our clients and share the love the Christ.



Join us at our 2017 Annual Banquet on Thursday, April 6, 2017 at 6 pm at The Radisson. Celebrate the stories of changed lives and how God is leading us to grow in 2017. Sponsorships are available. Watch the mail for your invitation! Questions? Call Liz at 815.680.5107.