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### A LETTER FROM OUR CEO

#### Dear Ministry Friends and Partners,

How grateful we are for you! Your prayers, words of encouragement, and faithful support carried us through a most interesting year. While we all hoped and prayed the pandemic would soon be behind us, the reality of it remaining turned the fear of 2020 into depression and anger, raised the sense of despair, and diminished hope for those we served in 2021.

On a national level the political rhetoric became much more pro-abortion. In contrast, our Texas legislative session took one of the strongest pro-life stands to date. We celebrated the passage of the landmark Heartbeat Bill. Yet, that brought challenges of its own.

For those of us who have served years in the pro-life arena, the Heartbeat Bill brought some of the most immediately drastic changes we have seen. The sudden almost eradication of abortion sent women who suspected they were in an unintended pregnancy into a tailspin. We have women contacting us even before they can confirm their pregnancy stating they wanted the abortion pill and a sonogram to prove a heartbeat did not exist.

What we learned was the lack of abortion services did not end unprotected sex, unplanned pregnancies, or the desire to terminate a pregnancy as a solution. Morality and sexual behavior cannot be legislated. The increase in the level of desperation was palpable and the urgency to end a pregnancy immediately was heightened.

We have learned new counseling terminology. Ultrasound, while extremely useful in other areas, does not help in early pregnancies too early to detect a heartbeat. We learned to explain early anatomical development of a preborn child: a fetus too small to show a heartbeat is still a distinctly new, created human being.

All of us, individually and corporately, had to trust in the working of the Holy Spirit in the realm of the unseen, rather than trusting in our words, our medical technology, or other tools we had effectively used in the past.

On a very positive note, adding full reproductive healthcare really grew our reach during 2021 into the community of women we desire to serve. By offering every service Planned Parenthood offers, except abortion, we are now competing head-to-head with the nation's number one abortion provider in serving women BEFORE they experience an unplanned pregnancy. We are excited about this expansion of our ministry and believe this proactive approach will prevent many unintended pregnancies, therefore, disrupting the abortion cycle!

The final big adaptation that occurred in May 2021 was the changing of the operating name of our centers to Woman to Woman Health Center. We love how our name personifies so well our personal approach to healthcare. We believe women are attracted by our new name. From our very positive exit surveys and five-star Google reviews, we know women have enjoyed the specialized care provided at our centers!

Thank you for being a part of the team successfully serving women in North Texas in the name of Jesus!



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Carolyn Cline, CEO

### Involved for Life, Inc. Now Serving as Woman to Woman Health Center A FRESH APPROACH

As young women become sexually active in either their high school or college years, most realize a need for an inexpensive place to receive introductory reproductive health services such as STD screenings and contraception. Many choose to go to Planned Parenthood because of their perceived affordable cost and "no judgment" attitude.

Our great desire is to disrupt the foot traffic of young women walking into the lair of our nation's largest abortion provider when seeking gynecological services. Why? Because we know that women prefer to go to a known place for their reproductive health needs long term rather than start over somewhere new. We want to be that place – their first choice for healthcare.

Our number one difference from PP is that each woman is treated with high value because we recognize she is made in the image of God. The second difference from our abortion-providing competitor is that we desire to wholistically provide for her needs, rather than profit from them.

To an abortion provider a woman is a transaction. At Woman to Woman we seek to provide a transformation from hopelessness to a life plan that has direction, support, and a path for her wholeness – physically, emotionally, and spiritually. We are here for the journey.

Woman to Woman is proactively providing a unique place and services for women, going beyond those previously offered to her in her reproductive years by other agencies.

	Traditional Pregnancy Center	Planned Parenthood	in olved
Pregnancy Testing	×	х	x
Ultrasound	X	Х	X
STI/STD Testing and Treatment		Х	X
Well Women Exams		Х	X
Sex Education		x	X
Pregnancy Prevention Resources		x	X
Abortion Services		X	
Morning After Pill		X	
RU 486 ("Abortion Pill") Reversal			X
Material Assistance	х		X
Prenatal & Parenting Classes	х		X
Gospel-Centered Spiritual Care	х		X
Coaching and Ongoing Support	Х		X

### **Lifestyle Medical Model**

#### Why do we use this approach?

From years of serving in the pregnancy resource center space, we observed that women's needs were so much more complex than what we were able to provide in the short space in time that surrounded an unintended pregnancy. We heard from our patients repeatedly that they wished they could come to us for all their reproductive healthcare needs. We desired to serve a woman beyond her moment of crisis and walk with her throughout her health journey.

The stresses of the ongoing pandemic into 2021 reinforced we were on the right path. Women need a place for not only excellent healthcare, but a place that addresses her wholistically. **So many women who scheduled an appointment for a medical service also had great social services needs, mental and emotional health challenges, and complicated life circumstances that were impacting her physical, emotional, and spiritual health.** 

Reports are now showing the trends we observed: suicidal tendencies are up, self-mutilation is on the rise, and depression is leaving many struggling to function day to day. Many factors are contributing to these alarming rates: the higher cost of feeding a family, unemployment, housing shortages, rising cost of filling the gas tank, and conflicting health messages regarding the pandemic, just to name a few.

For much of our clientele, there has not been an easily accessible resource to learn new lifestyle choices that can produce positive results in their health. **Compassionate support**, **provision of key community referrals, teaching of simple, practical lifestyle choices, and positive health coaching creates a space for women to not only survive, but to thrive**.

Educating women to recognize these factors in her life before she becomes pregnant and educating her on how to make small, progressive changes in her lifestyle are key to breaking this downward spiral of a life beset with unplanned pregnancies and the perceived need for abortion. Compassionate support, provision of key community referrals, teaching of simple, practical lifestyle choices, and positive health coaching creates a space for women to not only survive, but to thrive.

Addressing a woman's mental and emotional health in concert with her physical health brings opportunity to encourage her to choose a lifestyle which will give her the whole health she desires. Of course, the One resource that ties all these factors together is an authentic and growing relationship with our Creator, Jesus Christ.

#### Women's health has a "whole" new meaning!

### **DID YOU KNOW?**

Through our nonjudgmental approach to educating and informing a woman with medically accurate information in a safe, confidential environment, she is allowed the opportunity to pause in the midst of our chaotic culture and stand on solid ground to get the footing she needs to make wise decisions.

### **OUR IMPACT IN NORTH TEXAS** 1,432 6,658 1,794 **Client Touches\***

### **Appointments**

**Patients Served** 

\*Client Touches: 3,660 intervention and support services and 2,998 essential medical services (See pages 2 and 6.)

### Serving with a Wide Reach

135 different zip codes in TX Top 5 Zip Codes: 75204, 75216, 75217, 75115, 75215 16 Texas counties: Top Four - Dallas, Collin, Ellis, Tarrant **Top County: Dallas County** 

### Serving our Targeted Audience\*

**Marital Status:** Single - 84.6%, Married - 15.4%

#### **Ages:**

14 & under = 0.8% 15 - 19 = 12.64%20 - 24 = 28.92%\*\* 25 - 29 = 24.72%\*\* 30 - 34 = 18.72%35 & up = 14.2%

### **Religions:**

Christian = 56.5%\*\*\* None = 21.25%\*\*\*\* Catholic = 16.6% Other = 3.6%Jehovah's Witness = .6% Atheist = .6%Muslim = .5%Hindu = .2%Buddhist = 15%

#### **Ethnicity:**

African American = 51% Hispanic = 31% Caucasian = 12% Other = 3.5%African=1.3% Asian = 1.2%

\*Representative of typically medically underserved populations \*\*Highest age group who abort pregnancies \*\*\*Majority not attending any church \*\*\*\*Fastest growing religious category

### From Doom and Gloom to Joy and Excitement

Catalina<sup>\*</sup> had often dreamed about becoming a mom. In the perfect world of her dreams, she had visions of an ideal pregnancy in which her husband would provide the financial support so she could be a stay-athome mother. She described her current relationship with her boyfriend as stable, adding that they had discussed marriage. She enjoyed having a good job with an above average income which she credited to her hard work and dedication to completing her schooling.

But when Catalina found she was pregnant, she discovered her boyfriend did not share her same dream. He stated he did not make enough money to afford for her to stay home to care for a child. Nor had he ever considered that an option. Abortion was his solution.

Catalina was so heart-broken and angry with her fiancé that she broke off the relationship. And now finding herself single, pregnant, and so far from her dreams surrounding motherhood she was seeking an abortion as she entered our health center.

While her pregnancy test was positive, her ultrasound findings were inconclusive due to the early stage of her pregnancy. According to Texas law since the enactment of the Heartbeat Bill, she was eligible for an abortion.

Our staff discussed prenatal development. As they educated on fetal anatomy, they let Catalina know a distinctly unique life, although not yet detectable through ultrasound, was growing in her womb. Catalina refused any discussion regarding spiritual matters, but she did allow our Support Specialist to pray with her before she left.

Two follow-up calls from our staff reminded Catalina we were continuing to pray for her. The second call from our staff member was met with great excitement as Catalina could not wait to share the wonderful developments over the past few days since she had been to our center.

**ONLY GOD**...Catalina's boyfriend had decided he could add additional hours to his weekly workload and pursue further schooling to provide for his family. Catalina shared her pregnancy news with her mother who was overjoyed to hear of a grandchild. Her mother volunteered to move from out of state to help with the baby so Catalina could cut down to working only two days a week. And Catalina asked if we would continue to pray for her, her fiancé, and the baby growing in her womb.

Day by day, week to week, we continually engage with women who believe their circumstances are impossible and, consequently, they must end their pregnancy. They are desperate to rid themselves of what seem to be insurmountable problems, broken dreams, and hopeless situations. **BUT GOD...**What is impossible for man is always possible for God!

Nothing can stop the silent petitions our prayer warriors lift up for a woman and her child. We are very much seed planters, who sometimes get to reap the harvest. We love planting seeds of hope, of They are desperate to rid themselves of what seem to be insurmountable problems, broken dreams, and hopeless situations. BUT GOD...What is impossible for man is always possible for God!

possibilities, of resources, of care, and of life. The Holy Spirit continues the work, and as we continue to journey with our patients, we often are blessed to see the results of saved physical and eternal lives! **To God be the Clory!** 

# **Serving the Body**







**GYN** Visits



**STD/STI Tests** 





**Early Prenatal Visits** 

**Other Medical** Services\*

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\*Such as screening and treatment for diabetes, high blood pressure, and cholesterol

# **Serving the Mind**

#### **Unplanned Pregnancy Options Discussions**:

- · Abortion 690
- · Adoption 289
- · Parenting 904

#### **Healthy Relationships Discussions:**

- · Sexual purity 291
- · Family/Friend relationships 890

#### **Empowered Through Education:**

· Center Programs - 372 discussions · Classes (Group/Individual) - 139 participations

"Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind." Romans 12:2

#### **Physical Health Education:**

·Healthy lifestyle choices - 254 ·Pregnancy - 294 ·Medical Illnesses/Conditions - 190 ·Drug Use/Rehab - 4

#### **Healing Past Hurts Discussions:**

- · Mental and Emotional Health 402
- Post-Abortion Recovery 153
- · Referrals to Counseling 131
- Sexual Abuse Recovery 67

# Serving the Need

#### **Community Referrals:**

Education - 117
Healthy Texas Woman - 107
Housing - 95
Mentoring - 92
WIC - 74
Medicaid - 70
Wings - Nurse/Family
Partnership- 64
Financial Aid - 10
Legal Aid - 6
DART - 6
Other - 684

Material Assistance Earned through our Families Program:

•Diapers - 36,417 •Articles of clothing - 1,651 •Other baby/maternity items - 2,270

1,325 total referrals!

40,338 total items!

## **Serving the Spirit**



"And the King will say, 'I tell you the truth, when you did it for one of the least of these my brothers and sisters, you were doing it for Me!" Matthew 25:40

# Why We Invest in Involved for Life

We are grateful to all who invest their time, treasure, and talents to ensure our ministry is a strong, vital part of making a real difference in the lives of our North Texas neighbors.

"Our Church loves Woman to Woman Health Centers because they are on the frontlines fighting for life in and out of the womb. We long to be a Church that loves our neighbors well, and in this partnership we get to come alongside brothers and sisters who have been standing for the unborn for decades in our City! We love and trust their leadership, we joyfully point our people their way to serve and be served, and we look forward to years of gospel partnership extending the good news of Jesus in word and deed." Jonathan Woodlief, Financial Partner, Missions & Mobilization Pastor, Northway Church





Our transient culture means we enter into people's lives for mere moments and then move on. Women's health decisions, however, have a long-lasting impact - on themselves and resonating outward to others. They don't need a health provider for the moment; they need one for the journey. Woman to Woman provides just that with OBGYN, Pregnancy, and Postpartum services ranging from physical to emotional to educational - and most foundationally: spiritual. Woman to Woman offers hope and health for the entire journey - not just a moment in time. This is why we partner and serve here. Our world gives people 15 minutes and moves on; the good life requires much more." Amber and Stephen Wade, Monthly Financial Partners, Event Volunteer, IFLI Board Member, Members of Northway Church

"As the missions pastor at FBC Garland I am proud to call Involved for Life a partner of our church and recipient of missions funds from the church. Ministry to those in need is a hallmark of genuine Christian commitment (Matthew 25:31-46). The women and children served by Involved for Life surely qualify as the 'least of these.' The compassionate care given to the women in crisis over a pregnancy is a wonderful example of Christlikeness. It is a privilege for us at FBC Garland to be able to be vitally connected with Involved for Life. On a personal note, my wife and I are also contributors to Involved for Life." Jim Witt, Minister of Missions, First Baptist Church – Garland, Financial Ministry Partner





"We have been supporting IFLI for many years. What started out as filling a baby bottle bank with change has grown into so much more. We are humbled to walk alongside a staff who not only has a big heart for the unborn but they commit to be by their patient's side for the entire journey. They care for more than just saving babies - they care about saving souls. They truly are fulfilling God's calling." Charlie and Christi Campbell, Ministry Financial Partners, Golf Ambassador, IFLI Board Treasurer, Deacon – First Baptist Church-Dallas

## **Our Financial Support**



# **Our Community Partners**

We are better together! Having healthy partnerships within our community affords us the opportunity to serve our clientele with the best services and referrals. We are grateful to have the ability to broaden our scope of service by working with these organizations and agencies.

Abide Women's Health Services Austin Street **Bella House Bravelove Adoption Buckner Adoption Services Center of Hope Chosen Heritage Adoption** Christian Women's Job Corp **Communities Foundation Community Partner Program - HHSC Criswell College Dallas Baptist University Dallas Housing Authority Dallas Life Dallas Theological Seminary Dallas Volunteer Attorney Program Eastside Community Church ECFA Excellence** in Giving **Evantell First Baptist Church Dallas First Baptist Church Garland** Focus on the Family **Friendship House Head Start** 

**Healing Hands Healthy Texas Women** Hebron Covenant Community Church Hope for the Heart **Human Coalition** In My Shoes **KCBI 90.9 FM Kessler Community Church** Lake Pointe Church Whiterock **Legacy Adoption Services** Life Advocacy Group Lifeline Children's Services Lifetree Adoption Agency **Northway Church Nurse Family Partnership Program** On the Road Lending One by One Mentoring Parkland Health and Hospital System **Parkway Hills Baptist Church Southern Baptists of Texas Foundation Texas Association of Charitable Clinics** The Church at Junius Heights Vogel Alcove Watermark Community Church

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Touching hearts. Transforming lives.

## VISION

We envision a world where . . . Women have the knowledge and resources to live healthy lives.

### MISSION

Educate and empower women to make informed decisions.

To learn more about Involved for Life, visit GetInvolvedForLife.com, or call Vicki King at 972-636-4473.



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