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Empower, Encourage & Educate Newsletter

FROM THE DIRECTOR'S DESK:

Our fall fundraiser was a fantastic night! I hope you were able to be there to enjoy and celebrate with us. Abby Johnson gave a powerful testimony and convicting challenge to step up and be boots on the ground for the hurting men, women, and children of Missoula. Together we were able to raise **\$55,500** to support life! I am so humbled by each of you! Some of you have been faithful supporters for years. For some of you, the first time you heard of our mission was that night, and you jumped at the chance to be light to a hurting city. THANK YOU! Without you, we aren't able to do the lifesaving work we do! I would love to be able to sit down with each of you and hear your story! Seriously, let's do coffee! If you are interested, call the office and we will set up a time to meet.



Recently, we had a donor who was interested in donating stocks. It's not something that happens often, but it made me realize that if you are looking for a place to donate stocks and receive a charitable contribution deduction, please consider donating to our organization. We now have the accounts in place to be able to receive stock donations.

An immediate need we have, however, is for a heated storage unit for our mobile unit. During the coldest winter days, we must protect our investment so that the plumbing doesn't freeze. It needs to be 40+feet long and have a 14-ft door. If you have a shop or warehouse that is heated and meets these dimensions where we could store the unit from time to time (we only have it every other week, and we only need it on the coldest days), please contact me at the office number. Thank you!

Thank you for being a part of this family, for praying for our clients, and for supporting this good work.

HIS FOR LIFE,
Jenn Bartlett



"I assure you that when you have done it for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you have done it for me."
Matthew 25:40

Thank You, Donors & Supporters!

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Negron Homeschool Group
City Life Center
Clear Choice Clinic

*And Our Many
Monthly Donors!*

So Far in 2019:

Served **826** Clients
Performed **249** Pregnancy Tests
Performed **207** Ultrasounds
Performed **249** STD/STI screenings
Made **407** Referrals to Outside Assistance
Made **2,992** Gifts of Maternity & Baby Supplies
Provided **1,563** Educational Resources
Taught **62** Classes

Center Needs:

Diapers: Sz NB, 5, 6 & 7
New Newborn Baby Clothes
New or Used Toddler Socks
New Baby Food & Formula
Gift Cards (Gas, Oil Change, Coffee)
New Bibs, Burp Rags, Receiving Blankets, Onesies, & Boy Hats.

Used Maternity Clothes
Baby Clothes 12-18 Mos.,
4T & 5T

Sz 0-3 Mos, 3-6 Mos, 4T,
& 5T Pants and Leggings



Empowering Young Parents

Many of our clients are first time moms and dads who come to us with very little family or financial support. They often come from broken homes and have little or no understanding of faith in God.

Care Net comes alongside them by enrolling them in our Life Steps and U-Turn programs. Life Steps is an “earn while you learn” one-on-one program that teaches women and couples valuable lessons, such as healthy pregnancy, labor and delivery, and infant care. U-Turn is our men’s mentoring program that connects young dads with older, more experienced, Christian men in our community. They meet together every other week for coffee to discuss life and relationships, read an encouraging book, and explore who Jesus is and what God wants for their lives.

These young men and women earn points with every visit and every time they do their “homework” (like going to the doctor, finding employment, or securing housing). They can then spend these points like money in our baby boutique—a beautiful room filled with brand new baby items. They also get a free bundle of diapers and wipes every time they come. But while this material assistance is important, the most valuable thing they gain is knowing *God sees them and cares about their journey*. And so do we.

Tales from the Center

By Susan Thomas, Office Administrator

This past quarter, we received a special visit from a client who had seriously considered abortion at the beginning of her pregnancy; however, after coming to us, she chose life. Now her baby is over a year old, and the cutest thing on the planet! She even managed to finish her degree and is considering volunteering here to help other young women choose life for their babies. She says, “If I could have a baby and still finish school, so can you!”

Last year, I spoke with a young man who was angry that his girlfriend had become pregnant (even though he knew he was the father and was the only one in the relationship who professed to be a believer). He felt it would be best if she got an abortion. If she didn’t, he would have to decide whether to “fully commit” or “walk away and have nothing more to do with her.” Thankfully, the woman ignored him, fell in love with her baby, and gave birth to a healthy baby girl! And, believe it or not, the young man seems to have reconciled himself to the idea of being a dad and is learning to love his child. Though he hasn’t fully committed to them yet, he hasn’t walked away, either. Let’s keep praying!

We’ve seen an unusual string of negative pregnancy tests, but we were able to speak to these clients about the risks they’re taking and help them consider how they might pursue healthier relationships.

A new, young dad on the mobile unit was so deeply struck by the image of his unborn child on the monitor that he wept. He stood mere inches from the screen to marvel at the life God had created.



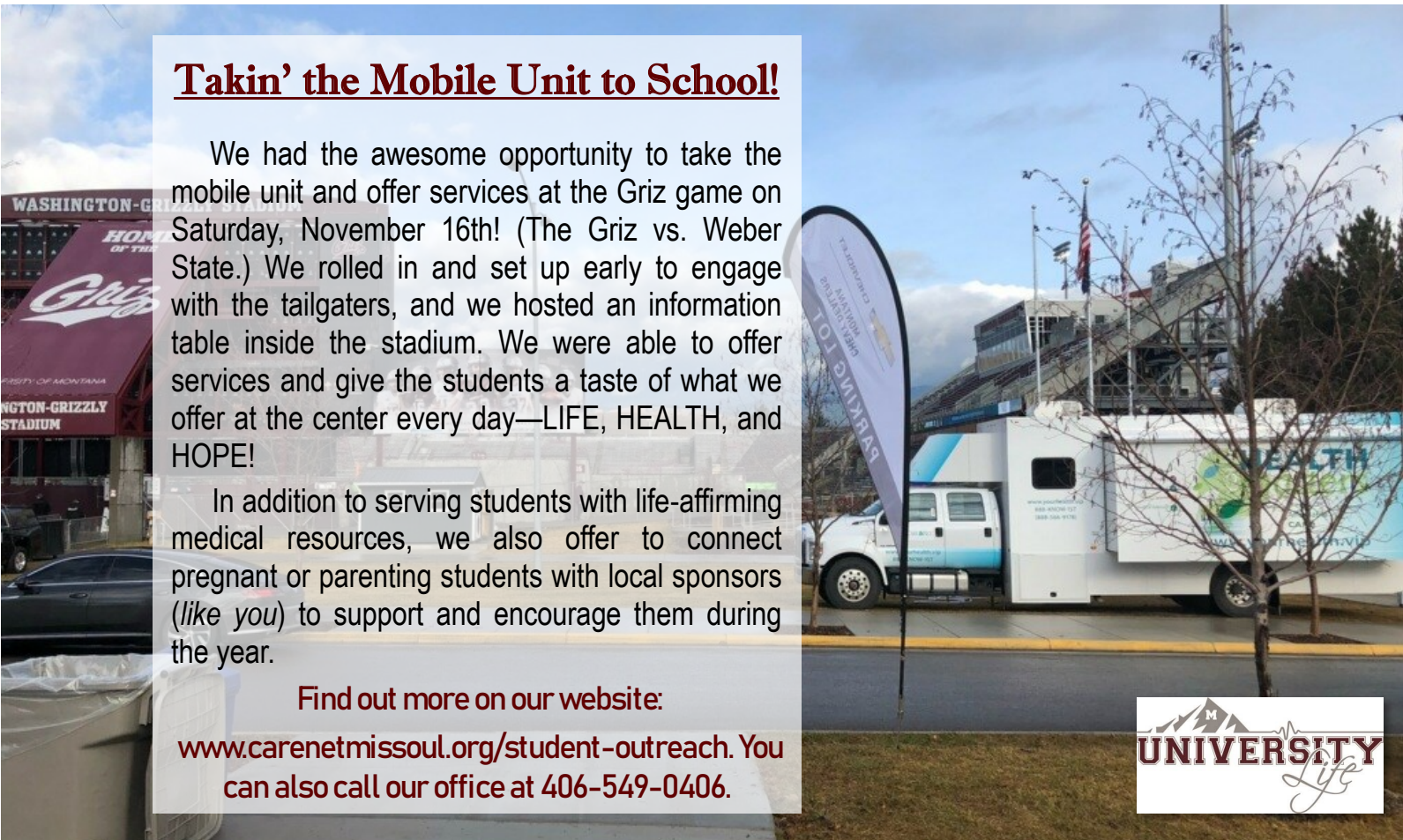
Takin’ the Mobile Unit to School!

We had the awesome opportunity to take the mobile unit and offer services at the Griz game on Saturday, November 16th! (The Griz vs. Weber State.) We rolled in and set up early to engage with the tailgaters, and we hosted an information table inside the stadium. We were able to offer services and give the students a taste of what we offer at the center every day—LIFE, HEALTH, and HOPE!

In addition to serving students with life-affirming medical resources, we also offer to connect pregnant or parenting students with local sponsors (*like you*) to support and encourage them during the year.

Find out more on our website:

www.carenetmissoula.org/student-outreach. You can also call our office at 406-549-0406.



Thinking of Volunteering?

Have you ever considered volunteering at Care Net? Would you be willing to mentor a young mom through her pregnancy and the first year of her baby’s life? Would you be willing to sit with a woman who has just found out she’s pregnant and explain to her all the wonderful resources available to her? Would you be willing to mentor a young dad? Do you have medical training that would allow you to do pregnancy tests, STD testing, or ultrasounds? Would you be willing to help with laundry, mailers, or sorting baby clothing? Do you have connections in the community that would make you a valuable addition to our board?

We are looking for pro-life, Christian women and men to be willing to step in and fill these needs so we can keep saving women, babies, and families from the devastation of abortion. Please prayerfully consider if this is something you could commit to for 3 hours per week. We provide all the lay-training necessary to work with clients, and medical professionals can gain experience and some training, as well, right here in our office. So, if you’re willing to serve in this way, please contact Care Net today.

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Become a Monthly Donor

Though Life Net conducts several vital fundraising events throughout the year, monthly donors provide the true *life blood* of our center. Monthly donors allow us to plan for the future, budget wisely, and spend intelligently. Please consider partnering with us on a long-term basis by becoming a monthly donor.

☐ I would like to make a new monthly commitment of:

☐ \$_____ per month

☐ \$250 per month

☐ \$50 per month

☐ \$500 per month

☐ \$100 per month

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