

Dear Supporter,

240 new people reached out to us for help in the past 3 months. Almost every day we receive a request from someone in our community looking for help with an unexpected pregnancy, abortion pill information, medical services, or resources. Can you partner with us so we can minister to the needs of each of these individuals?

One of these new requests was from Maria, a single mother of 2 experiencing an unexpected pregnancy. Maria is just one of the 34 new clients who came through our doors in the past 3 months. I am grateful our doors are always open to offer support to women like Maria. During her first appointment Maria shared these statements with her client advocate:

- “I have mixed feelings about this pregnancy.”
- “He wants me to have the baby, but I am unsure what I want to do.”

Maria received a free pregnancy test and ultrasound. She shared the ultrasound pictures of her almost 7-week-old baby with her client advocate, and then left the center still unsure what she was going to do. Our staff and volunteer prayer team prayed for Maria. Three weeks later Maria shared with us she'd decided to continue with the pregnancy, she was 9 weeks pregnant and feeling good. She is enrolling in our parenting support program and continues to receive support and resources. We thank God for allowing us to be available to Maria during a critical time, and we thank YOU our faithful donors for supporting us so we had staff, medical services, and resources available that Maria needed.

I recently received a note from one of our donors that included this statement:

*“The work you are doing is incredibly important. I now know there was a time in my life I could have helped a young girl but did not know she was pregnant. Helping her would have changed my life as well as hers.”*

If you would like to join this donor and be a part of changing the life of a young girl, then please consider giving an end of year gift to Next Step. We can't do this work without you. I pray you experience the love, peace and joy of our Lord and Savior this Christmas time.

Many blessings,



Carrie Slaton  
Executive Director

