



High Desert Pregnancy Clinic
“providing support from pregnancy to parenting”

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Closing Stats for 2018

Pregnancy Tests: 99
 Ultrasounds: 24
 New Clients: 199, 42 of which were male
 Babies Saved: 3
 Total Clients Seen: 602
 Total Visits: 1746
 Post Abortive Healing: 4

Walk for Life

Our nation has been battling legalized abortion for 46 years. We are seeing results in the number of surgical procedures dropping but don't let them fool you. There is a disturbing shift to medication abortions happening. Even on our college campuses they are wanting to make available RU-486 (abortion pill) to the students in the health center and the morning after pill can be found in vending machines. These medication abortions have increased to one fourth of all abortions today. Yet, not being recorded because they don't have to go into a facility. We need to educate ourselves and the women around us. We must reach the hearts, minds, and consciences of the people. So, what can you do to help?

This year marks the 30th anniversary for our Walk for Life. If this were a marriage it would be marked with a pearl. A pearl represents as a metaphor (rare, fine, admirable, and valuable). The Walk For Life started out in 1989 in San Bernardino with some other pregnancy centers. We were then called Joshua Tree's Right to Life League. Eventually we moved out on our own here in the basin. Starting out at the old Walmart in the center of town, then over to Luckie Park for a few years. Coming back to Yucca Valley in 2012.

I believe this is an admirable event. People in the Morongo Basin coming together actively demonstrating support for the value of human life and a desire to make a difference in the lives of women and families in our community. We don't need to be rude or vulgar to show everyone what we believe is right according to the word of God. There is a simple way to do this, come out and walk with us. Help carry on this legacy that started all those years ago. God is leading this. Let's all show up and walk with Him.

*Brandi Hale
 Executive Director*

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

“Unplanned” Premiers in Theatres—March 29th, 2019
 Walk For Life—April 6th, 2019
 Golf for Life Tournament—June 1st, 2019

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We listen...

We act...

We care!

Praise Report

PRAYER REQUESTS

- 2 Young Abortion Minded Teens
- DD - Needs loving guidance and support
- M - Young Single Dad
- J - Needs wisdom before her baby is born.
- Young Moms that have recently found out they are pregnant

A CALL TO GIVE

- Keurig Coffee Pot
- Heavy Duty Gallon Size Zip Lock Bags
- White Card Stock
- Swiffer Wet Mop Pads
- Size 4 Diapers
- Diaper Wipes
- AA & AAA Batteries

December Stats

Clients Served: 63

New Clients: 3

Pregnancy Tests: 3

Ultrasounds: 1

(closed for two weeks)

January Stats

Clients Served: 83

New Clients: 9

Pregnancy Tests: 7

Ultrasounds: 7

We all love praise for our efforts. This came through our Facebook page recently.

"I've raved about them before, but I just wanted to do it again because I can't believe what a blessing the High Desert Pregnancy Clinic has been to me and my family. I was shocked to hear that not very many people in this area know about them. They offer free baby, birthing, labor and delivery, and breastfeeding classes. You earn free baby stuff for attending, like formula, diapers, wipes, bassinets, cribs, clothes. The knowledge you get there is priceless alone and the ladies are so sweet! They also provide post abortion counseling and pregnancy loss/miscarriage counseling. I see so many pregnant women in this area saying that they need help, so I just wanted to let you know there is an outlet for you. You earn while you learn and you really do learn so much about your baby. Everyone there is a volunteer so they are all there because they want to help and make a difference."

-Trisha Godfrey

A Message From Care Net

As you may know, New York just passed the Reproductive Health Act. This bill eliminates criminal penalties for self-abortion, including the murder of one's own unborn child, and allows for abortions up until the expected date of birth when necessary to protect a patient's life or health.

Many of us in America are mourning this heartbreaking act. However, some have missed an important aspect of this bill. Late term abortion was already legal nationwide.

Abortion is not just a secular problem, it often happens in our churches as well. Our research found that two out of five women who had abortions attended church at least once a month at the time of their first abortion.

But why is this happening? Josh Brahm shared some excellent thoughts about why, and what we can do to put an end to this tragedy. I will leave you with a quote from the blog post:

"I think it is often because a Christian woman who becomes pregnant out of wedlock faces far greater social consequences than an atheist woman does...Even though some churches would respond to an unplanned pregnancy well, the women don't know that, so out of fear they abort."

-Ardee Coolidge

Meet Our Volunteers!

In 2002 my husband and I moved to Yucca Valley from the Pacific Northwest. We so enjoy the desert, most of all the sunny days.

I have known about and given to the High Desert Pregnancy Clinic for quite some time. In January of 2018 I decided to volunteer. It's been a wonderful year of learning more about all the services we offer and being apart of the team. I started with reception and am now a client advocate.

What a privilege to work with women and men who want to learn parenting skills and watching them grow in confidence. Also, to be there to encourage and listen.

Everyone at the clinic is so dedicated to loving and caring about our clients.

-Betty Anderson

From the Board!

Making the Case for Life

Contributed by Tom Mauer

January 16 on BreakPoint, a website dedicated to providing a Christian worldview, John Stonestreet interviewed Scott Klusendorf, founder of the Life Training Institute. Scott and the Institute is dedicated to training others to make the case for life. The following excerpt is taken from the interview:

“As Scott said, we have to know how to make our fundamental case, that abortion is wrong. Our case is clear: First, it is wrong to intentionally kill innocent human beings. Second, abortion kills innocent human beings. Therefore, abortion is wrong.

Now, notice we’re not telling people how we feel. We’re not quoting a Bible verse or a religious authority. We’ve simply made an objective case, and from there we should be prepared to defend that argument.

For example, we can say with confidence that the science of embryology shows that from the earliest stages of development, you were a distinct living and whole human being—not part of another human being, but a whole distinct member of the human family. So, there’s no essential difference between you the embryo and you the adult that would justify killing you. Sure, your size, level of development and dependency, your environment were different when you were in utero, but these aren’t differences that justify killing you then as opposed to now.

That’s our case. And we’ll hear objections: “Well, you believe what you believe because you’re religious. You can’t impose your religious beliefs on me or on women.”

That’s called changing the subject. As Scott says, don’t let them do it. Tell your friend, politely, “Hold on, I just laid out a case as to why abortion is wrong. I gave reasons for my views. I noticed you didn’t refute them, you simply accused me of being religious.”

Then refer back to the main case: Killing an innocent human being is wrong. Abortion kills an innocent human being, therefore it’s wrong.

Another objection, which we hear a lot: “Women have a right to choose. Why are you against a woman’s right to choose?”

Well, ask the person: The right to choose what? Of course, women absolutely should have the choice about their careers, their health care, marriage. But some choices are wrong—like the choice to intentionally kill an innocent human being. And notice there, we’re taking the person back to the fundamental pro-life case.

Here’s one more objection: This is just a clump of cells, not a human being.

Even though embryology and science have proven this wrong, we still hear it. So you might tackle it this way: A clump of cells doesn’t grow into an adult human being. For example, take the cells on the back of your hand. They are part of you, but they, along with say, a sperm cell and an egg, are different from an embryo, which is a whole living organism, and as we’ve made clear, a whole human being, that will mature into adulthood.

And then we remind them of the case: It is wrong to kill an innocent human being.”

To listen to the entire podcast visit: <http://www.breakpoint.org/2019/01/you-can-make-the-case-for-life-scott-klusendorf/>

Speakers Bureau

Are you interested in hearing about our ministry? What we do and or what we are all about?

Give us a call!

We would love to send out our Executive Director
or a Board member to speak to your church or group.

Want to help out but don't have the time during the day?
Have business, management, or great people skills
and a heart for the women in our community?

Consider joining our Board of Directors.

Call Brandi our Executive Director at the clinic to find out more.

MISSION STATEMENT

As a service organization, the HDPC is dedicated to the protection of human life from conception, through education, counseling, and support.



- *Volunteers who are computer savvy for basic data entry and have great people skills.*
 - *Client Advocates - We will train!*
 - *Board of Directors members*

If you are interested, please contact Brandi at the clinic via email or phone!

Baby Bottles & Spare Change

You know that few cents you get back in change each time you buy a fast food lunch or cup of coffee? It collects in your pockets, on your dresser, or at the bottom of your purse, weighing you down.

We have a fun way to help the HDPC with that cumbersome change!

Baby Bottles!

Stop by the clinic during office hours and pick up a special *Baby Bottle Bank* to make it easy to collect change and donate it every time it fills up!

Don't worry about counting it out or taking it to the coin counter, just drop it by the office and we'll take care of the rest!

Thank You!

We'd like to say a special Thank You to the churches who helped support us last year:

Calvary Christian Fellowship

Palms Baptist Church

Valley Community Chapel

Joshua Springs Calvary Chapel

Lighthouse Christian Center

St. Mary's of the Valley

First Christian Church

At the Cross Christian Fellowship

Evangelical Free Church

And another Thank You to those who came out and helped to ring in the New Year with our day of prayer and devotion!

HOURS OF OPERATION
MONDAY—THURSDAY
10:00 AM—5:00 PM

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