

UPDATES FROM SARAH

2018 WAS IC'S YEAR TO S-T-R-E-T-C-H

doing amazing work through our Centers! With education, support, and encouragement **76%** of the abortion vulnerable women and men we served **CHOSE LIFE** for their baby.

Train To meet the growing demand for services, we trained an additional nurse to perform ultrasounds and hired a sonographer. IC continued to recruit both male and female advocates and provide them with ongoing, updated training to ensure each woman and man is provided with compassion, hope, help, and accurate information in the most loving and professional manner possible.

Remodel Busy evening hours had our Grayslake Center bursting at the seams and in need of more space to accommodate meeting with couples. A grant from Community Purse of Lake County allowed us to remodel, creating an additional client counseling room and enlarging the ultrasound room so fathers would be more comfortable.

Engage We began to intentionally and fully engage fathers into the initial visit,

Serve Informed Choices continues to serve an ever-growing number of clients, 80% of whom are at-risk of abortion. God is

ultrasound, options education and decision making process. Our desire is to encourage each man to take an active role in the pregnancy decision he is facing with his partner. **By including HIM, our Centers can encourage and empower HER.**

Transition Our Healthy Choices program has thrived for many years under the direction of Paulette Schaeffer. This year, she handed her role over to Coreen Huff so she could pursue other ministry opportunities. We are also thankful to Melinda Ganziano, who retired after 30 years of faithful service as our Thrift Shop Manager.

Connect From a desire to bridge clients into a church community for ongoing support, we began hosting pastor luncheons. Together we explored ways to connect IC families into church communities through our partnerships. This resulted in a pilot program called Welcome Baby, where women from Heritage church deliver a Pack n Play and layette to new parents.

Heart No matter what happens in the political arena and no matter how pro-abortion Illinois becomes, our mission remains. Abortion is a **heart** decision and each of the **206 babies** born to IC couples in 2018 represents a beautiful victory in the battle for life.



OUR MISSION

Empowering women and men to make informed choices by presenting Jesus Christ to those involved in pregnancy decisions through provision of physical, emotional and spiritual support.

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2018 ANNUAL REPORT



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2018 IMPACT HIGHLIGHTS

732 Clients served ■ 2,146 Client Visits ■ 206 babies born

- ❖ 94% increase in number of ultrasounds performed in 3 years (2015 vs 2018)
- ❖ 80% of clients who come for pregnancy test are at-risk of abortion
- ❖ Serving **8 times more** at-risk women than 5 years ago
- ❖ 76% of abortion vulnerable clients decided to carry their babies to term.



Blessing Families Through Our Church Partners

Heritage Church (Lake Zurich) piloted the Welcome Baby Program where women deliver a new Pack n Play and baby items to the home of new parents and provide them with opportunities to connect to their church community.

Crosspoint Lutheran Church (Lakewood) hosted 8 IC clients in May, offering them a lunch with options for car wash, haircuts, and manicures.

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton (Crystal Lake) held a baby shower to stock our boutique with much needed supplies.

Lord of Glory (Grayslake) provided Christmas gifts for the children of 25 IC families.

St. Mary's Church (Huntley) in conjunction with St. Vincent DePaul, generously gave Christmas gifts to 20 families.

PREGNANCY CENTERS:

Clients served: 732

New Clients: 241

Client Visits: 2,146

Grayslake remodeled to serve the increase in clients!



388 pregnancy tests given



of sonographers doubled

HEALTHY CHOICES:

6000 students reached in 2017/18 - a 37% increase!

New director: Coreen Huff, SRAS

"...it shows how one thing you choose can very much impact your future." Olivia, 7th grader



20% increase in schools



Healthy Choices made 823 presentations in 2017/18!

MENS LIFE:

70% increase in male clients in 2018!

Men's Life advocates increased their effectiveness by giving support to new dads during their initial visit as they navigated decisions for an unplanned pregnancy.

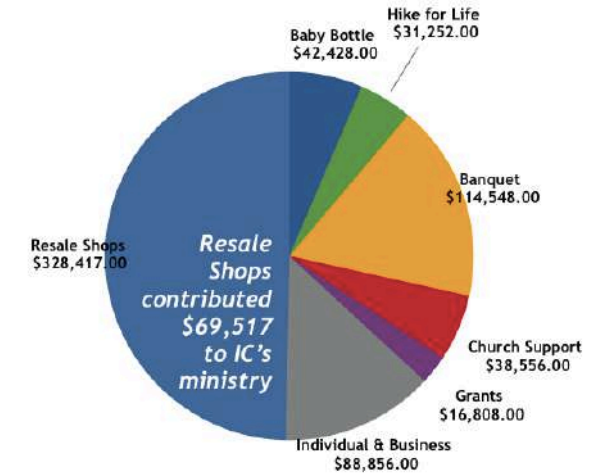


Mentoring dads for success



Helping families grow...

2018 REVENUE



Thank you to Community Purse for awarding IC a \$13,300 grant!

2018 EXPENSES

