



New and Exciting Things are Here!

Because of your support, prayers and donations to this ministry - the new and improved facility will enable Care Net to save more babies, serve more families, and share the Good News of Jesus Christ with more people! We praise the Lord for every Care Net Champion like you. You are making a difference!



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Renovations

Along with Constructure, Inc., (Doug and Kerri Relick), volunteers have been working hard to renovate Care Net's new 5,000 sq. ft. facility! All flooring has been removed and replaced, some walls have come down and been reconstructed, and LED lighting has been installed. The trim work, reutilized cabinets, electric, plumbing, IT, security, and phone systems are all almost completed. We could not be moving forward without your support, so thank you Champions!



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Walk for Life

Over 334 walkers gathered in March to walk for life. Because of Champions like you, the \$60k goal was exceeded! Special thanks to

- 40 local sponsors
- over 40 churches represented!

Walk funds enable more women facing unplanned pregnancies to receive free services at Care Net.



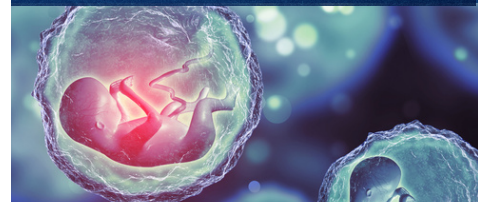
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Car Show

The Car Show hosted at Vero Christian Church was in April. Thank you to all the volunteers, car owners, and spectators!

39th Annual
Fundraising Dinner Banquet
Friday, Nov 17th, 2023

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Fall Fundraiser

Care Net is so excited to host "Pro-Life Doc" William Lile, DO, FACOG, on Sat., Nov. 17th, 2023. This year's theme is "A patient is a person, no matter how small", based on Proverbs 31:8, "Speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves, for the rights of all who are destitute." Guests will be inspired and empowered to make a difference for life! For more details, call us at 772.569.7939 or go to CareNetChampions.org.



Update from Executive Director

As you read this newsletter, we SHOULD be in Care Net Pregnancy Center of IRC's new home, or close to it! This is the day MANY of us have waited for, for years, even decades! Every day I am still in awe of what God has done through His people in this ministry.

- God provided us with Champion donors who helped raise the funds enabling us to purchase the building free and clear without a mortgage! We are so grateful for you!
- God has provided us with many outstanding community professionals—contractors, artist/designer, plumbers, and IT experts (who **saved us thousands of dollars!**) by pouring their time, talents, and hard work into this beautiful building. Thank you!
- In addition, many other Champions answered God's calling to help us—the list is vast. Without their help, we could not have completed this project!

Our Capital Campaign truly is "More Than A Move" – God has so much more planned than we can imagine! The Board, Staff, Volunteers, and Champions of Care Net can now meet the increased needs of precious families in Indian River County. With God working through our Champions **we will save more babies from abortion**, spare parents the scarring regrets from an abortion decision, and come alongside families—single or married—as they move into parenthood with one or more children. And, ultimately we share the GREAT news of Jesus Christ if they are ready to receive it.

There will be ribbon cutting ceremonies and touring opportunities soon. We will notify by email so please contact marketing@carenetirc.org to verify you're on the list. Thank you for your prayers, resources, and time as God expands Care Net to do immeasurably more than we can imagine! (Eph. 3:20-21) BY BONNIE MARTINELLI, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Ways to make a difference!

- Volunteer Ultrasound Technician (current license)
- Translate from Creole, Spanish, etc. to English
- Volunteer weekly as a Client Advocate, Receptionist, or in the Baby Boutique
- Occasionally volunteer on a Fundraising Committee or help in Community Outreach
- Shop and donate via Amazon Baby Registry via QR code:



Statistics

JAN - JUNE 2023

Distinct Clients: 289
 Client Visits: 2,375
 Bible Study Visits: 640
 Ultrasounds: 67
 Material Services: 1,014
 Prayed with: 1,110
 Spiritual Discussions: 990
 Babies Born: 44



Nationally it's estimated* there are

60,000

more babies saved from abortion since Roe was overturned last year.

Praise the Lord!

Newest Staff Member!

We are so excited to announce the newest addition to staff at Care Net IRC! Lynn Ullestad, RN MHA, has been serving part-time as our Medical Services Manager since May. This new position enables Care Net to better serve



patients at the new facility on Medical Mile. Lynn is excited to develop this role. Lynn says:

“ It is a privilege to wake up and go to Care Net. As a nurse, my goal is to provide care to others at their most vulnerable time. ”

Lynn and her husband, Kevin, moved to Vero from Champaign, Illinois, in 2020. God connected her to Care Net through our 2023 Walk for Life, and we are excited to see how He will use her to reach women in need.

BY MARY HARRISON, COMMUNICATIONS INTERN

NATIONAL STATISTIC: dailysignal.com/2023/06/01/11-months-after-death-roe-v-wade-25-states-aim-protect-life/

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The Life of a Single Mother



Since January 2022, **more than 60% of the mothers we serve at Care Net are single moms** - that's 287 women raising a child without commitment from the father, just in the last 18 months. If you look back to the Center's beginning in 1984, that amount increases to over 70%.

This fall, your local Care Net plans to launch support groups for single mothers that are geared toward their needs. At Care Net's 2022 National Conference, our staff heard the heart-wrenching testimony of Jennifer Maggio, a former single mom with a passion for empowering single moms through educational resources and local churches. Care Net National recently announced that Jennifer's nonprofit, "The Life of A Single Mom," is providing discounted support group materials to all Care Net affiliates, so your local Center jumped at the chance to help our moms even more. **We want to ensure no single mother in Indian River County walks alone.** "The Life of a Single Mom" support groups will focus on three major topics: parenting, finance, and health & wellness. Through the ministry's Single Mom University, our clients will have access to over 100 videos not available through our Center's "Earn While You Learn" parenting program. We also plan to bring in local experts on topics like nutrition and finance to enhance the curriculum.

If you would be interested in assisting with a group, please reach out to our Director of Client Services, Teri Myers, at clientservices@carenetirc.org or call 772.569.7939 and ask for Teri.

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Free Services for Clients

- Pregnancy Testing and Limited OB Ultrasounds
- Pregnancy Options and Adoption Consultations & Referrals
- Abortion* Emotional Recovery Bible Study
- Mom Support & Empowerment and Fatherhood Mentoring
- Classes on Birth, Parenting, Breastfeeding & Baby Safety
- Baby, Toddler and Maternity Items
- Meals for Mama
- Support Groups for Single Moms
- Embrace Grace Program

*We don't perform nor refer for abortions.



“Care Net has been amazingly helpful in connecting me to various necessary resources as I am new to the area. Volunteers are lovely and kind. - Client”



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Change changes lives!

The Baby Bottle Campaign was a success! This year over 40 churches collected coins, cash, and checks. This small campaign really does add up! The coins are currently being counted. All funds enable Care Net to save babies, serve families, and share the Good News of Jesus Christ with local pregnant women and families in need! If your church, Bible Study, or club would like to participate, please contact Care Net.

God has performed miracles!

We praise God for the miracles that have been happening - He is enabling Care Net to have a greater impact for His Kingdom! This new facility will alleviate issues with overcrowding, parking, confidentiality, and more. Clients will have more privacy because of the multiple entrances. We've already gained a new client during renovation because of the facility's prominent location! Please celebrate with us what the Lord has done so far, and will continue to do for the women and families in our community.



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