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***“For we are God’s handiwork, created in Christ
Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in
advance for us to do.”***

Ephesians 2:10

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2024 Walk for Life
Sunday~ October 13th
Parkersburg City Park

We need your help to reach our goal of \$100k!
These funds will allow Women's Care Center to
continue to help women make life affirming choices
for pregnancy and sexual health.

We ask that each church participating in the Walk for Life attend one of the following Church Coordinator meetings. Both meetings will be held at Women's Care Center and refreshments will be provided. Please come and pick up your t-shirt, pledge forms, and a WALK sign for your church yard.

Walk Coordinator Meeting:

August 28th @ 11:30am

August 29th @ 6:30pm

If your church or organization would like to participate in the
2024 Walk for Life,
contact Amy @ 304.485.7122 ext. 2 for more information!

What is a Life Lunch?

These are a great way to introduce friends, family, coworkers, and government leaders to the ministry at Women's Care Center. It is held at the center and includes lunch, a tour, and an overview of our services and mission. The goal of a Life Lunch is to increase awareness and create opportunity for partnerships.

To learn more or to schedule, please contact Amy at 304-485-7122 extension 2.



Online giving is easy whether it is a one time gift or an ongoing donation. Go to www.yourwcc.com/give and click on...

[Donate Now!](#)

You will be directed to our secure giving page.

Are you handy? Would you like to volunteer some time to help with some small projects at WCC?
Contact Amy @ 304.485.7122 ext.2



If you would like to receive prayer requests/praises from Women's Care Center, please call Marina @ 304.485.7122 extension 0.

From the desk of Janetta Ross, Executive Director...

Dear Friends of Life,

What a whirlwind it has been so far. I am writing to you on the official start of my third week as Executive Director. So, keep that in mind as you read my enthusiasm, passion, and a tiny bit of naivety, I am sure. I am in awe of all that God has done to establish Women's Care Center as the only pregnancy help AAAHC accredited medical clinic in WV. God used Janet Kimes, the board, and so many qualified members of the staff over the years in a mighty way to establish a strong, vibrant ministry. It is my fervent prayer and mission to honor God and all that Janet, and the Board of Directors has built here in Parkersburg. While at the same time, listening to how God would have us grow and respond to the ever-changing landscape of the options women face today. Never compromising on our mission, goals, and God's truth!

I do not know if you remember me or maybe you are new to the ministry, but I served with Janet from 2016-2020 as the Development Director. It was by far the most transforming time personally and spiritually for me, including the years leading up, while I served as a volunteer. As a volunteer, I went through the Abortion Recovery Bible Study with Janet. This allowed Jesus Christ to completely heal my fractured heart and make me whole (Acts 4:10). I continue to want to tell others about this miracle and the miracle maker! I want so badly for women to choose life for their baby for so many reasons that they cannot even fathom in their fear. Pray the enemy does not get a foothold of fear in the women who visit us!

Thank you for your financial and prayer support of Women's Care Center. Whether you are new to the ministry or have been with us from the beginning 33 years ago, we are grateful for you. I hope you will consider the part that God would have you play in the ministry in the months and years to come. As your life shifts and settles into a different season, God might call you to a deeper part of our ministry. We would love to expand our Sweet Blessings Mentoring Program for expectant and new moms. Please read more about this program and get a volunteer's perspective on it from our interview with Sharon Safstrom. We would love to make deeper connections with these women and their families (including fathers), and we will be exploring how God would have us do this.

Thank you for the financial support to have a Christian medical clinic here in Parkersburg, WV.

Sincerely,
Janetta Ross

Staff Introductions

Executive Director ~

Janetta Ross

Janet announced her retirement a few years ago, but God had other plans. His timing is always perfect! Janet officially retired June 21st and Janetta stepped in to the role of Executive Director. Janetta rejoins our team at Women's Care Center but this time as our leader. She is married to Mike for 37 years and they have two children, Cameron & Madeline. They have two grandchildren, Sadie (5) and Steele (2). Janetta attends Elkins Alliance Church. Janetta enjoys spending time with her grandchildren, traveling in WV, and working puzzles in her free time. We are so very thankful for God's perfect timing!



Board Spotlight

Women's Care Center has been blessed to have three new board members join our team in the past few months. Women's Care Center board of directors is crucial to our organization. Please help us welcome the following new members!

John Hayton Eileen Mayer Amy Benson

Accounting Clerk ~

Trisha Goff

We prayed for God to send the right person to fill the role of accounting clerk for Women's Care Center. We were looking for someone with experience in finances and God provided Trisha. Trisha joined our team the end of May and has been a blessing. Trisha is married to Michael and they have 3 daughters Addyson (husband Austin), Alayna and Alivia. Trisha has one grandchild Asher. Trisha enjoys reading, Bible journaling, watching her girls play sports and spending time with her family. Trisha attends Bethel Baptist Church.

We praise God for answering our prayers in filling this position.



Trisha's favorite scripture is
"When I said, 'My foot is slipping,' your unfailing love,
Lord, supported me."
Psalm 94:18

Sweet Blessings Corner

Women's Care Center volunteer patient mentors meet with clients for mentoring sessions monthly as part of the Sweet Blessings program. We recently had a client who was in desperate need of a reliable vehicle. We decided to put the plea on our Friends of Women's Care Center Facebook page. It's amazing to see how God provides! We had a friend contact the center with a vehicle for this client. I remember the day I called the client. She answered the phone and couldn't believe that someone was going to gift her a vehicle. She was tearful and speechless.

God worked out every detail!

This is just one of many stories that we have been able to witness His greatness. God is doing great things in this ministry!

We have a vision to expand our Sweet Blessings Program to serve more mothers and babies! For this to happen, we need more volunteers to join our team. Please stop by and pick up a volunteer application.

The volunteer application can also be found online at yourwcc.com under the 'Get Involved' tab.

You can find our most needed items for our baby boutique online or email info@wccmov.org for an updated list. We appreciate all your donations!



A mother and child shopping in the boutique!

facebook

Search for "Friends of Women's Care Center" and ask to join!

Volunteer Spotlight

Sharon Safstrom has been a volunteer at Women's Care Center for close to 20 years. When asked how she got involved she answered, "I learned about volunteer opportunities at the WCC banquets and

Walk for Life events. There was a volunteer application in my possession for several months before sending it in". When asked what she enjoys the most about volunteering at WCC she states, "I love and appreciate the Christian atmosphere throughout the center. The concern and appreciation the staff has for each other as well as appreciation of each volunteer; praying before each shift gives us the opportunity to lift up each other, remind us who we are serving and pray for God to use our words and actions to show Jesus' love with each client. We also pray for the clients to experience the Center's spiritual, peaceful atmosphere different from the world outside. It is a blessing when I am able to point them (clients) to Jesus or encourage them (clients) to recognize how He is working in their lives". When Sharon was asked how she would encourage others to volunteer she answered, "Anything worth doing requires effort. The training requires time and study, but is valuable. It provides an opportunity to be Jesus' hands and feet".



Thank you Sharon for your years of serving in the ministry at Women's Care Center! We appreciate you and all of the volunteers!

A Note from the Nurse Manager

Wow, what a busy summer this has been for us here at Women's Care Center. In the months of June and July we have seen a total of 127 unique patients with a total of 176 visits and we still have one more month of summer left! In the previous three months we saw a total of 169 unique patients for 272 total visits. Currently projected numbers have us on track to have a 22% increase in volume of patients served just this summer alone! What amazing work the staff and volunteers of Women's Care Center are doing for God and these patients in our community. Reaching out, connecting to people, and saving the lives of unborn babies. Praise the Lord and Thank you for everything you are doing to help Women's Care Center in whatever capacity whether it be on staff, volunteering, serving on the board, giving monetarily, helping with fundraising, or being a prayer warrior, I am truly thankful to all of you! I am definitely blessed to be serving in the role as Nurse Manager and coming to work every day witnessing the power of Jesus working in the clinic and in the lives of our patients. I tell you the truth, when I first accepted this position and started here, I was not sure God had pointed me in the right direction, but I know that was Satan planting doubt. After the past several weeks here and seeing all of the growth and progress made and looking forward into the bright future and all of the possibilities ahead for Women's Care Center, I know that God has pointed me in the right direction and I am exactly where I am meant to be. I started my journey here back in 1996 when it was Crisis Pregnancy Services as a volunteer and am so honored to be the Nurse Manager now for the Women's Care Center. I love the people we serve; I love the mission we work; I love the staff and volunteers I interact with daily, and most of all I love Jesus and He is definitely working in this building and ministry. I hope you all have a good rest of your summer and keep watching because good things are happening here. God Bless!

April Staats, RN Nurse Manager

We are in search of volunteer nurses.

You can access the medical volunteer packet at www.yourwcc.com under the 'Get Involved' tab.

Services Provided January 2024-June 2024

Total Visits	Pregnancy Tests	Ultrasounds	STD tests	Gospel Shared
557	200	154	63	60



PRAISES

- Patient and family joined a local church!
- New Executive Director, Janetta Ross!
- New Accounting Clerk, Trisha Goff!
- A new volunteer, Alicia Stevens!
- A staff of paid and volunteer individuals committed to the Lord!
- Donors who have given in 2023 and continue to give!
- Women who decided not to terminate their pregnancy!
- God's protection over us!

PRAYER REQUESTS

- Opportunities to share the gospel.
- Physical and spiritual protection.
- Wisdom in all decision-making.
- Fundraising Walk for Life: Preparations, weather, participants and success!
- God's favor upon our donors.
- AAAHC renewal survey in November
- Abstinence Program: Getting back into middle and high schools this fall and for the SRA director as she shares the material.
- Wisdom for marketing to the abortion minded patients.
- Life decisions for those we serve.
- That we would bring glory and honor to God in all we do.
- Our medical team as they serve the women in our community.

"And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose."

Romans 8:28