

The Right Choice

What to do when you're broke and pregnant?

NATASHA HAD SERIOUS FINANCIAL problems. Every time she remembered staring at the positive pregnancy test, she felt her heart drop. She wished she could turn to her boyfriend, but their relationship was rocky. It didn't matter that she was carrying his child; she was deeply concerned about bringing a baby into those circumstances.

There seemed to be only one option: Abortion.

Most women follow through on their plan to abort their child only nine days after confirming their pregnancy, and now Natasha was well on her way to doing the same. She reached out to a local clinic and scheduled her abortion. It would all be over soon.

But the morning of her procedure, Natasha was anything but calm. Questions bounced around her mind. "What will it feel like?" "Am I making the right choice?"

She went over the material the clinic gave her. The procedure was so expensive, and Natasha had no idea how she was going to afford the abortion. She just knew she needed one.

Where could she get the money she needed? Desperate, she went to her computer and began searching online for a place that could help her.

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GET THE FACTS:

Top 40 Abortion Statistics in America

As a defender of unborn lives, it is crucial to stay well-informed and up to date. This 3-page resource provides a helpful overview of the facts and documented research about:

- Fertility & Abortion
- Revenue & Costs
- Abortion Demographics... *and more!*

Get It Now! Share it with your family, friends, and colleagues.

<https://www.care-net.org/abortion-stats>



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And instead of a place to get financial assistance for her abortion, Natasha found the number for Care Net's Pregnancy Decision Line (PDL).

Because of the online advertising for PDL—the nation's only real-time pregnancy decision coaching hotline—we receive countless calls and emails from women and men who are not just considering abortion... they are actively seeking out information on what it involves and where to get one. These are EXACTLY the people we want to reach with truthful information and present with realistic alternatives to abortion.

Your support of PDL and the work of our network of over 1,100 affiliated pregnancy centers makes these moments—the last minute interventions and life-saving conversations—possible. And as we enter the last months of the year, your support is needed!

YOUR SUPPORT OF PREGNANCY DECISION LINE SAVED ANOTHER LIFE!

When the PDL coach picked up the phone, Natasha quickly decided that the coach was different than

anyone else she'd talked to. Rather than telling her that her situation was hopeless and that abortion was the best choice for her, the coach talked with Natasha about the reality of her situation and her unborn baby.

A few days later, the coach called Natasha back to follow up. Natasha missed her appointment at the abortion clinic and never went back. But even though this mother was choosing LIFE for her unborn baby... She was still on her own, and still in need of help.

That's when the PDL coach referred Natasha to a pregnancy center in her area, where people in her community were standing by, waiting to support her pregnancy, offer material assistance, and help her welcome her beautiful baby into the world.

For the first time since she looked at that pregnancy test, Natasha was no longer afraid. Instead, she was excited about the baby that was developing inside of her. Her baby.

Because of her conversation with the PDL Coach, she chose life. Because of her local Care Net Pregnancy Center, Natasha had the means to pursue abundant life for her new family.

Thanks to your generous support, Natasha's heart was forever changed and her baby's heart is still beating.

Every day, women like Natasha face tough relationships and financial situations that drive them to abortion. All too often, there isn't a voice around them to speak a message of hope and life. Nowadays, abortion has become the default response to adversity. But we can change that, one call or email or visit at a time. One life at a time.

To keep Pregnancy Decision Line operating at its new and expanded capacity, and to keep developing new resources to change the radical pro-abortion agenda at work in our society, we need to raise \$402,000 this month.

And great news! A generous donor has given us \$150,000 and challenged YOU to help match that gift! By giving today, your support will make DOUBLE the impact in the fight for life! But we must receive your gift soon!

Please consider a generous tax-deductible gift today. THANK YOU!

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Combined Federal Campaign
PLEDGE DEADLINE: **DECEMBER 15, 2016**



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Without spending anything extra, 0.5% of all eligible Amazon purchases will go to support Care Net when you designate us as your charity of choice and then shop at <http://smile.amazon.com>.

Whether you're buying baby clothes to donate to your local pregnancy center or a brand new book for your mother-in-law, more of your money can be put toward the life-saving work of Care Net.



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One Too Many?

A SINGLE MOM WITH THREE BOYS ALREADY, Sue couldn't help but to be filled with dread when she found herself pregnant again. The situation would be daunting to anyone!

But the father of Sue's baby made it clear that he had no interest in stepping up as a father. Her own mother had already advised her not to have more children. And, to make matters worse, her



community didn't think kindly of people who placed their children for adoption.

Sue felt trapped, and it seemed like only abortion would solve her problems and make life easier. So, after a quick search online, she found the number for Pregnancy Decision Line (PDL) and called.

On the call with the PDL coach, Sue confessed that she was afraid of the physical effects of abortion and agreed to keep talking to our coach. As time passed, she decided to get an ultrasound.

In a follow-up conversation with the PDL coach, she shared that she was in her second trimester with a baby girl. ***The girl she had desperately wanted.*** Her fear turned to excitement, and conversations turned to buying girl clothes and naming the baby as she began to look to parenting her new daughter.

But she was still in the same situation. The father of her unborn daughter and her mother were still unsupportive. Her finances—which were even more

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Make 2X the Impact in the Fight for Life!

AS WE ENTER THE FINAL MONTHS

of the year, it's incredibly important that we end them financially strong and ready for another year of ministry.

A generous friend of Care Net has gifted us \$150,000, but has challenged YOU to help match that gift and make twice the impact in the fight for life.

Your generous tax-deductible gift today could...

- Encourage and empower 2X as many parents to choose LIFE through Pregnancy Decision Line and our affiliated network of over 1,100 pregnancy centers.
- Reach 2X lost and hurting women and men with the life-changing HOPE of Christ Jesus!
- SAVE 2X as many unborn babies!

Thank you for your support!

DO YOU WANT TO SAVE LIVES EVERY MONTH?

THROUGH MONTHLY GIVING, you can offer compassion, hope, and help EVERY MONTH to parents who may feel abortion is their only option as one of our *Caring Partners*! You will also receive special benefits, including:

- A designated Care Net team member to serve you
- Updates on how your monthly support is saving lives
- An exclusive monthly prayer devotional for your personal spiritual growth
- Invitations to special partner events



3 EASY WAYS TO SIGN UP AS A CARING PARTNER:

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2. Visit us online at: care-net.org/donate-cp
3. Call us at 1-800-518-7909.

Questions? Email us at:

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Thank You!

When Laws Don't Matter: Overturning Roe v. Wade in Our Hearts

Part 2 of a 4-Part Series on Being Pro Abundant Life

In light of recent setbacks to pro-life legislative efforts as a result of major Supreme Court decisions, it is easy for us in the pro-life movement to become discouraged. But this is exactly why I want to encourage you to set your sights higher. When we adopt a pro abundant life perspective, we change our focus to overturning Roe v. Wade... in our hearts.

One of my favorite sayings is, **“Let me write the songs of a culture, and I care not who makes it laws.”** This profound statement points to the enormous impact that cultural norms and attitudes have on our behavior, regardless of what the laws of the land say.

You see, even if we succeed legislatively and in the courts, there would still be unplanned pregnancies. If we woke up tomorrow and Roe V. Wade were miraculously overturned, there would, sadly, still be unwanted babies and a demand for abortion.

We must focus on changing not just laws, but hearts and minds, too. And that means being willing to walk alongside parents facing unexpected—or unexpectedly complicated—pregnancies and offering them material, financial, emotional, and spiritual support. It means opening our hearts, lives, and homes (through options like adoption and foster care) to the babies and children that need us. Remember, **life decisions need life support.**

Finally, we must continue to compassionately (but ever truthfully) educate and inspire the public about the sanctity of human life and the importance of helping people build strong, God-honoring families.

This approach will set us apart as not just pro-life people, but PRO ABUNDANT LIFE people. That is why we take the following pledge:

As pro abundant life people, we will minister to women and men facing pregnancy decisions, open our hearts to all of God's children, and dedicate ourselves to eliminating the desire for abortion, regardless of what the law says.

Blessings,



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Learn more about what it means to be
Pro Abundant Life at: www.care-net.org/pal



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bleak now—would be stretched even more if she kept her baby. Unsure of what to do, she is still seeing an adoption counselor.

The lack of support from her community that Sue faces is clear evidence why we need to challenge our culture to overturn Roe v. Wade *in our hearts*. For countless women like Sue, even one voice for life could make an incredible difference.

That cultural shift is what your support of Care Net helps to champion. Your support is critical as we raise \$402,000 in the next thirty days. A friend of Care Net has already gifted us \$150,000, but has challenged YOU to help match that gift to make DOUBLE the impact in the fight for life. Can you please help us with a tax-deductible gift today?

\$150,000 MATCHING CHALLENGE

YES! Roland, please find my gift to help more parents find the support they need to choose LIFE for their unborn children and ABUNDANT LIFE for their families!

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Also, please join us as we pray for Sue—and for all parents still actively considering the options available to them for their unborn children—as they wrestle with a critical decision that will forever change the course of their lives.

Thank you!



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Vision Statement:

Care Net envisions a culture where women and men faced with pregnancy decisions are transformed by the Gospel of Jesus Christ and are empowered to choose life for their unborn children and abundant life for their families.

