

CARE NET OVERVIEW

WHO IS CARE NET?

A national Christ-centered movement of more than 1,100 life-affirming pregnancy centers, a national hotline, and hundreds of church partners.

VISION

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

MISSION

Acknowledging that every human life begins at conception and is worthy of protection, Care Net offers compassion, hope, and help to anyone considering abortion by presenting them with realistic alternatives and Christ-centered support through our life-affirming network of pregnancy centers, churches, organizations, and individuals.

WE SEEK TRANSFORMATION, NOT TRANSACTIONS

- While everything we say and do is immersed in the character of Jesus Christ, the unchangeable truth of the Bible, and the power of the gospel to transform lives, the abortion industry operates in a transaction environment, where they seek to have repeat customers.
- We, instead, want to transform lives so that our clients come back not to be served, but to serve others.

WE LOVE TO LOVE WOMEN, MEN, FAMILIES, & BABIES

- We provide women, men, and families with loving support and reliable information to help them make fully informed decisions about unplanned, unexpected, and unexpectedly complicated pregnancies – and then we give ongoing practical, emotional, and spiritual support to families.

WE'RE NOT JUST PRO-LIFE, WE'RE PRO ABUNDANT LIFE

- We're America's **Pro Abundant Life** movement! We empower women, men, and families to choose life for unborn- children and find full, abundant life in Jesus Christ.

WHY WE DO WHAT WE DO?

- Nearly one million babies are aborted in the US every year. That's one child's life terminated every 30 seconds.

CARE NET HISTORY

- Founded in 1975 as the Christian Action Council by Dr. Harold O. J. Brown, the organization's beginnings were influenced by former U.S. Surgeon General Dr. C. Everett Koop and Christian scholar Dr. Francis Schaeffer.
- During the 1980s, Care Net expanded rapidly becoming one of the biggest pro-life organizations in North America, today made up of 1,100 affiliated pregnancy centers, a national hotline, and hundreds of local church partners and volunteers.

REVOLUTIONIZING THE WAY AMERICANS – AND CHRISTIANS – THINK ABOUT ABORTION.

- It's the most difficult and heart-wrenching decision a woman will ever face.
- A woman's decision whether to abort her baby is based on many complex and intertwined factors, but often it comes down to this: support – or lack of support – for the mother, the father, and their unborn child.
- That's why Care Net is asking Christians to dig deep into their Bibles and ask: "How would Jesus respond?"

CARE NET OFFERS COMPASSION, HOPE, AND HELP:

- **Pregnancy Centers:** More than 1,100 Care Net affiliated life-affirming pregnancy centers across North America welcome those facing unplanned, unexpected, and unexpectedly complicated pregnancies
- **Pregnancy Decision Line:** The only national pregnancy decision call center and website that provides immediate coaching to women (and men) considering abortion
- **Equipping Churches:** Our Making Life Disciples materials help churches help those in their congregations and communities facing life-and-death pregnancy decisions
- **A Voice for the Unborn:** We speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves – via multi-media communications, including social media platforms, online courses, and free e-books

WHAT MAKES CARE NET DIFFERENT?

- Care Net's distinctive *Pro Abundant Life* approach elevates the pro-life platform to a higher level. While other pro-life organizations focus on saving babies from abortion, Care Net goes deeper – saving babies and building strong families and sharing the gospel through a life-affirming network of pregnancy centers, churches, organizations, and individuals.

CARE NET'S PRO ABUNDANT LIFE APPROACH:

- **Because** the only source of true and lasting transformation is the Gospel, we lead people into transformative relationships with Jesus Christ, breaking the cycle of repeat unintended pregnancies, and connecting pregnancy centers clients to the local church for discipleship and long-term support.
- **Because** 86% of abortions in the United States are among unmarried women, we promote healthy marriage as a critical factor in preventing abortions and as the optimal environment to raise children in accordance with God's design for the family. The best way to ensure children thrive in life is when they are raised by their own, married parents.
- **Because** the father of an unborn baby is the most influential factor in a mother's decision to abort, we work to break the cycle of abortion by engaging the father.
- Positive father involvement prevents abortion, and post-birth, children with involved, responsible, and committed fathers fare far better in various ways.
- **Because** our culture no longer values the sanctity of human life and the sanctity of the family as God designed it, we seek to influence the culture by transforming hearts and minds so that regardless of what the laws are, abortion becomes unthinkable in our homes, churches, and communities.



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