

"Then Jesus called for the children and said to the disciples, 'Let the children come to me. Don't stop them!

For the Kingdom of God belongs to those who are like these children.' " – Luke 18:16 NLT













WELCOME LITTLE ONES!

Double the Excitement

When "Ava" first called HCPCC, she was extremely worried and upset; her at-home pregnancy test had come back positive. Ava didn't think she could do this alone. Melinda Avery, RN, BSN (Director of Client



Services) answered Ava's call and **assured her** that her feelings and fears were valid and invited her to come in to confirm her pregnancy and talk more.

At her appointment, Ava expressed her appreciation for the initial phone conversation saying that it brought her some **peace** in a stressful situation. Melinda reminder her that HCPCC was here and would walk alongside her — Ava was still uncertain, but scheduled a **sonogram** appointment.

When Ava returned for her sonogram, she informed Melinda that she and her partner had reunited and decided to parent the baby **TOGETHER!**Additional joy came when the sonogram revealed that she was pregnant with **twins!** Ava began to cry as she realized how God had been blessing her even when she didn't realize it.

She left that appointment excited to surprise her partner with the news!

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Looking for a "Few Good Men"

HCPCC is excited to announce that we are one of 20 centers **nationwide** to participate in **Care-Net's 2023 Fatherhood Project**.

The Fatherhood Project provides funding, training, and resources to expand our men's program, allowing us to reach more fathers through parenting education, support,



and **discipleship**. We are looking for a "**few good men**" (actually many good men) to help us mentor men to be the great fathers that God has called them to be. There are many ways you can help. If you have questions or are interested, please contact **Kirk Riggs, Fatherhood Champion** and Client Advocate at 830-249-9717.

Did you know? Twins start socially interacting in the womb at around 14 weeks!

You Help Advocate



A Time for Healing

Abortion has been a big topic of conversation across our nation.

Laws are changing, perspectives are changing — a new landscape is being created. In this new landscape many people are bravely reaching out for healing from trauma that can follow a past abortion experience.

Are you a church-goer, a Christian with a past abortion experience? Or someone close to you has kept it a secret? YOU ARE NOT ALONE!

Maybe this secret has created distance between you and your family, you and your friends, you and Jesus even? Kirk Riggs and Martha Collins shared their stories about their own healing after abortion. To **be free** of the burden you've been carrying about abortion — text "Post Abortion Help" anonymously to 830-249-9717 or join us the first Thursday of any month at 6:30 p.m. at HCPCC



(439 Fabra Street, Boerne). Kirk and Martha are here in person and willing to provide you with resources.

Did you know? 80% of babies are born with some sort of birthmark!

Delightful Donations



Finley and Ella brought gifts to HCPCC babies on Finley's birthday!



North Babcock Classical Education homeschool group blessed us with a diaper drive and handmade cards.



Cibolo Creek Quilters Guild donated armfuls of handmade quilts for Layette Baskets!



Day 1 Bags donated stuffed animals for our layette baskets.



Caleb & Mikaela continue to bless HCPCC with gifts for our families.



Tres Bella Salon hosted a Giving Tree collection of diapers, wipes, and baby shampoo.



The Lutz family collected diapers for us at their holiday party.

You Build Community

Grateful Grantee

While much of HCPCC's financial support comes from local individuals, churches, and businesses, we also have some **amazing foundation**s who provide us with funding. We could not perform our work without you and our foundation partners.



Cody Knowlton, BHFSA President, Nancy & Lewis Thorne, Donna Klingaman, Amber McCoy

Baptist Health Foundation of San

Antonio provides funding for God-inspired, God-appointed clinical, educational, spiritual and scientific missions. We are privileged to receive their support as we work together to **save lives, strengthen families and educate youth** and our community.

The Kronkosky Charitable Foundation provided funds to support our services in Comfort and the surrounding rural communities. Our missions align with our shared goal



Donna Klingaman accepts a grant check from Kronkosky Charitable Foundation

of supporting **pregnant women** and their families. Thanks to their partnership, we can continue to reach rural **Hill Country** areas with life-changing services.

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Making Life Disciples



Iglesia Bautista Leon Springs is a valuable partner for our Spanish-speaking clients. Igelsia Bautista started a marriage focused Bible Study for some of our clients. We are so grateful for Pastor Hernan and Maria, and the great lengths they go to make these families feel loved and so special. Part of their ministry to these families is hosting a Baby Shower with food, gifts and fun for the couples and their new little one!

This church partnership is a prime example of "Making Life Disciples" with women, men or couples who find themselves in the special circumstance of an unplanned pregnancy. HCPCC has a program with that same name for you and your church! To learn more please contact Donna Klingaman at donna@hcpcctexas.org or call 830-249-9717.

In Loving Tribute

On January 11, 2023, heaven received our dear friend **Lewis Thorne**. Lewis has been an integral part of this ministry as former board president and, most recently, board treasurer. As his family shared and we can attest "Lewis was known for his

steadiness, wisdom and easy humor . . . those who knew him best have remarked that he was truly never happier in his life than in his final years, as he settled into retirement and into the role of 'Pop', grandfather to six grandchildren, with one more on the way. . . Lewis is in the presence of the loving Father who called him home to the perfection of heaven."

Although we grieve for ourselves, his wife Nancy reminds us that I Thessalonians teaches "We do not grieve as others do



who have no hope". Lewis' legacy will continue to impact lives now and for

eternity. Lewis served his family, friends, church, co-workers, and HCPCC with a grace-filled, gentle spirit that we know his Lord and Savior bestowed on him. The HCPCC team has been blessed

to serve under his leadership and experience his passion for life that inspires us all.

BABY BOTTLE BOOMERANG

A little change changes lives.

More than **400 baby bottles** were distributed in January to local church congregations to honor Sanctity of Life Sunday. It's as important today as it has ever been to support women in unplanned pregnancies. **Through BBB, a little change changes lives!** If you or your church or friend group would like to help change a baby's life by collecting spare change, bills or checks in our Baby Bottle Boomerang campaign, contact Amber at amber@hcpcctexas.org



Thank you to everyone who answered our need for stuffed animals through our Amazon Wishlist! Scan the code below to send a gift for our families!







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Hill Country Pregnancy Care Center



Chamber Nonprofit of the Year

The Greater Boerne Chamber of Commerce presented Hill Country
Pregnancy Care Center with their Nonprofit of the Year Award at the Annual
Awards Gala on January 28. "We are honored and humbled to receive the award. We
want to thank the Chamber and the surrounding businesses and local non-profit community
in Boerne who offer financial, physical and spiritual support," said Executive Director
Donna Klingaman. Here is an excerpt from one nomination, "The HCPCC team meets and
exceeds the needs of our community with their services, confidentiality and commitment
to excellence. Their team collaborates successfully with local nonprofits and makes
themselves available to the Boerne Chamber business community and Faith Community."

In Her Own Words



We love serving this community and it's a joy to see our clients build their confidence as parents, and provide resources they need. It is an extra special blessing that our clients share their lives and hearts with us. Here is a note shared by a client. Your support and prayers help the love of Christ is shine through and make a world of difference:

"HCPCC!! You have taught me so much, from the beginning of my pregnancy journey until the end of it and are still teaching me a lot more.

Through the videos being sent out, doing devotions with me, earning points and letting me shop at the boutique, praying for me and my family, providing classes concerning getting ready for my little one. I can say with confidence and pride that they have prepared me to be a good mama. I'm soaking in everything they have to teach me to better help me

become a more mature, healthier, successful, spiritual mama.

"I am beyond grateful to be a part of the HCPCC family."

They blessed me and showered me with a baby layette basket to welcome my little one. Through HCPCC, I have learned a lot, especially more of Jesus Christ. They have been Jesus's hands and feet to me spiritually. A huge thank you to Brenda for introducing and bringing me into the HCPCC family! The best thing that ever happened to me and my family. I will never stop being grateful.

P.S Be a part of their lives today. You will not regret it!!"