



"He has made everything beautiful in its time. He has also set eternity in the human heart." – Ecclesiastes 3:11



WELCOME LITTLE ONES!

Family First

This couple gave birth to their baby boy in November and pictured here when they received their layette basket from HCPCC. They indicated how grateful they are for the encouragement they receive from their Client Advocate, Kat, and everyone else at HCPCC.



So, what is a Client Advocate?

It's an individual who walks alongside a client throughout their journey with HCPCC. Client Advocates are committed to helping people grow in their parenting and tailor the courses to what each client needs. They also offer encouragement, support and prayer for each client. The relationship between clients and their advocates is often the most important and impactful part of a client's journey at HCPCC.

If you're interested in being a client advocate, more men and women are needed! Please contact Brenda at brenda@hpcctexas.org or 830-249-9717 for more information.

New Machine Training

Kat MacDiarmid and Rosario Faller train with our specialist on the **new sonogram machine** in Comfort! With help from two volunteer moms, they were able to explore the 3D/4D features now available to our clients. Being able to provide parents with **3D images** of their babies is absolutely a **life saving** service! Our Comfort location has already completed **six sonogram** appointments this year!



"I am thankful that God put HCPCC in my path, you have been very kind to me."

– Sarah

Did you know? Babies are born with an instinctive ability to respond to the rhythm and tempo of music.

You Help Advocate

SAVE THE DATE!

Friday, April 29, 2022

ANNUAL DAY OF PRAYER

Please join us!
For more information contact
brenda@hpcctexas.org
or call 830-249-9717

Our Advisors keep us connected to the community and help us spread our life-saving message. We are so grateful for their help and support.



Audience of Advisors

HCPCC's **Board of Advisors and Church Advisory Council** held a combined meeting to start off 2022. They heard from each HCPCC department head with updates about our services, clients, training, and events. Both the Church Advisory Council and the Board of Advisors are vital to the mission of HCPCC. Church Advisory Council members act as representatives for HCPCC within their church congregation, promoting services and fundraisers, and encouraging volunteer opportunities. They also help HCPCC stay in touch with area churches and their needs. Our Board of Advisors consists of local young professionals who support life where they live and work. They also promote HCPCC, its events and volunteer opportunities and keep us in the loop about needs in the community we serve. **We are blessed to have such kind-hearted and hardworking partners!**



Youth Council Conference

Some of our **Youth Council students** had the opportunity to attend an event hosted by *A Woman's Haven* in San Antonio. They were joined by **Board of Advisors member Amanda Hullum**. The group was able to learn more about how important it is for individuals and communities to become educated about life-giving resources and options for pregnant women and women's health. **If you know a high school student interested in learning more** about how to be an advocate for life, please contact Donna Klingaman, Executive Director (donna@hpcctexas.org or 830-249-9717)



Welcome, Alina!

HCPCC welcomes new **Comptroller Alina Fodorean!**

Alina first joined HCPCC in 2016 as a volunteer in client services. She served as a Client Advocate for three years, meeting with clients and assisting with parenting classes. Alina has over 14 years experience with accounting and office management and joined our staff in November. She says she is "so honored to be part of an organization that significantly impacts our community."

Did you know? 80% of brain growth and development takes place before age 3!

Honoring Faithfulness

Comptroller LeeAnn Hara, retired at the end of 2021. LeeAnn initially came to HCPCC as a volunteer in 2012 and it was quickly evident that her gifts were needed on a grander scale. She started as an Office Manager and eventually took over the role of Comptroller. Her diligence and integrity to keep HCPCC in great financial standing and reporting has been a tremendous blessing. This gift and her ability to provide



LeeAnn displays her name tag from each position she held at HCPCC.

great spiritual encouragement to others has endeared her to our hearts. **Her presence will be greatly missed.** Thank you, LeeAnn!



Former clients joined us to honor LeeAnn. She walked with them through an unplanned pregnancy. Look at the how "Santiago" has grown today!

You Build Community



Barbara Gibson, Katchy McCall, and Carolyn Brown with Donna and Brenda.

History Revisited

Donna Klingaman, Lulu Belz, and Brenda Washington met with **three original members** of the HCPCC organization and learned some **beautiful stories of the history** of the center and what led them to serve young women in our community. We look forward to continuing to learn from our history as we look toward the future. **Have you been a part of HCPCC's story? We'd love to hear from you!** Email lulu@hcpctexas.org with your story.

Lives Honored

Members of our Board of Directors, the Knights of Columbus, and former staff and friends of Tom and Mary Kobett gathered to dedicate a **new memorial stone** in HCPCC's garden to honor the Kobett's contributions to the organization. Mary and Tom provided years of service as volunteers, staff, and community advocacy for HCPCC. **Their lives left a great influence** at this organization. Each time you pass the stone, may it be a reminder of just how valuable and integral **EVERY LIFE** is to this ministry.



Gracious Gifts

HCPCC was blessed with **100 beautiful stockings** for our clients! These stockings were organized and put together by **Penguin Suits** and **Hill Country Council for the Arts** and included pampering items for the moms, like skin products and manicure kits! The stockings themselves were sewn by **Cibolo Creek Quilters Guild** and the contents were sponsored or donated by local businesses. Each HCPCC client was presented a stocking and provided **free diapers** as a Christmas Blessing!



Did you know? Babies don't taste salt until they are 3-4 months old.

KIDS WHO CARE



Geneva School of Boerne chose HCPCC as their partner for their Thanksgiving Blessings Drive. **Over 300 grammar school students collected hundreds** of baby clothing items, as well as several cribs, strollers, and car seats to keep HCPCC babies safe and warm!



The Strother family found these adorable baby girl outfits and immediately thought of HCPCC! The kids brought them in to donate to the center (with mom's help). They were so excited and generous, they made two trips!

Corporate Partners

Currey Creek Church
The Dienger Trading Company
First Baptist Church of Boerne
Frost Bank
The GVTC Foundation
Kiss the Cook
Law Offices of Jim Perkins
Nineteen: Ten Church
St. John Lutheran Church
St. Mark Presbyterian Church
St. Peter the Apostle Catholic Church
Patrick and Marcy Stehling
Texas Heritage Bank
Trinity Presbyterian Church

Purely Parsons Presents

Elizabeth Parsons (@purelyparsons), an Instagram wellness mama, came by HCPCC for a tour in January. Afterwards, she posted a video with our **Amazon wish list** link to her 125,000+ followers. A few days later, **blessings upon blessings** began to come in to help replenish our Boutique supplies – thank you Purely Parsons Instagram followers! You have **blessed our clients** more than you will ever know!



First United Methodist Children's Sunday School

hosted a "Happy Birthday, Baby Jesus!" party in December. They collected baby items and gifts to donate to our boutique and our families!



Did you know **LEARNING** begins in the womb?



Scientists have verified that the senses of a preborn baby are the building blocks for learning.

By the time delivery comes babies have learned to recognize language, taste, light and dark and so much more! At 8 weeks gestation babies **can sense temperature and pressure**. At the same time, tastebuds and a **sense of smell** allow them to distinguish between sweet, bitter, and sour in the amniotic fluid. At 18 weeks a baby's **hearing** allows them to detect sounds and voices and language development begins.

Baby's eyes are the most complex sense to develop and do not open until around 27 weeks. At this point, baby can detect light and shadows and respond to changing light penetrating the mother's skin and the uterus walls.

A sense of wonderment is built into us by our Creator right from the beginning! Babies explore their environment in the womb and this learning continues for our lifetime! **"Many, Lord my God, are the wonders you have done, the things you planned for us."** - Psalm 40:5



SAVE THE DATE!

Tuesday, September 20, 2022
Beautiful in its Time

ANNUAL GALA

An in-person event
We can't wait to see you there!
(more details coming soon)



Engaging with Education

Director of Client Services Melinda Avery spoke to **over 100 students** from Boerne ISD about the amazing process of fetal development. In addition to our nurses speaking to health and development classes, students come to HCPCC for tours of our center and to learn about our free and confidential services. We are always looking to reach students about the miracle of life, talk about good decision making and pregnancy and STD prevention. **Our partnerships with the Boerne and Comfort school districts are vital.** We are grateful to them!

Baby Bottle Boomerang Begins

On **Sanctity of Human Life Sunday**, churches throughout the United States celebrate God's gift of life and commit to protecting human life. Several churches in the Boerne area gave out **baby bottles** to support this cause. The bottles go home with congregation members and families, who fill them with change, cash, or checks. Later, the baby bottles are returned full of donations to **support HCPCC's mission** to honor the value of each life in our community. These funds help us maintain free services to families in need.

Baby Bottle Boomerang will take place again this year for Mother's Day. If you or your church would like to participate, please contact Amber at amber@hcpctexas.org.



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