Pregnancy Center State Impact Report

NEW YORK

helping communities flourish

In **2019**, pregnancy centers provided services & materials valued at nearly

\$3.6 million

in the state of New York serving **26,163** women, men, youth, & families.

\$1,446,233 IN MEDICAL SERVICES



7,615 free pregnancy tests



4,568 free ultrasounds performed by registered nurses/medical sonographers

1,526 total STD/STI tests performed by registered nurses (316

patients tested - 82% female, 18% male)

8 out of every 10 pregnancy center locations in the U.S. are medical

\$1,582,426 IN FAMILY SERVICES

- 14,051 free consultations with new clients
- 12,112 students attended free sexual risk avoidance presentations
- 5,101 clients received free parenting education (82% female, 18% male)
- 631 clients received free after-abortion support & recovery (97% female, 3% male)





\$553,923 IN MATERIAL ITEMS



total free baby items given to families in need



34,220 free packs of diapers

9,456 free packs of baby wipes

35,459 free new & used baby clothing outfits

254 free new car seats

349 free new & used strollers

MADE POSSIBLE BY

323 total staff, 25% of whom were licensed medical professionals 1,382 total volunteers, 6% of whom were licensed medical professionals



Finding Hope in New York



When Mikayla's at-home pregnancy test was positive, it was a big shock. She went online to look for help and New Beginnings Center of Hope came up. She thought, "I want that. I need that. I need some hope. I knew I had other options and was really scared. It's easy to get an abortion in New York." But she had been down that road before – it "was very negative" and she didn't like "the ending to that story."

After chatting with Center of Hope, Mikayla got on a train and went there. The client advocate she had communicated with met her at the door. At Center of Hope, Mikayla had an ultrasound that confirmed her pregnancy and showed her baby's heartbeat. She described it as a "special and very exciting moment" where she felt safe with the female medical staff. She thought, "I knew I needed help and to get around people who wanted to help me, not get around people who would say this is a problem we can make go away. New Beginnings has been incredible. They have found so many resources – I didn't even know where to begin. They found health insurance for me, and a female doctor for me that I was comfortable with." New Beginnings also referred Mikayla to a therapist to provide help with substance abuse. Throughout her pregnancy New Beginnings provided care. Mikayla shared, "Center of Hope, is also incredibly flexible. They work with your schedule. If your work schedule doesn't permit in person visits, they have virtual consultations, classes and counseling sessions. They set me up with group parenting classes which are a wonderful place to get to know other mothers and earn points, and with the points you can get baby clothes, car seats, strollers, diapers and wipes almost everything you need. It has been a Life Saver. Part of God's love for women, I believe, is that we are able to do this amazing thing to have babies, and it doesn't always look like it does on TV. It doesn't always look perfect like in my case."

Mikayla gave birth to a beautiful baby girl and, with the Center of Hope, she is now "writing a different story together" with them. One which includes hope, help, and a community of support.

Mikayla is an actual client (name changed for client's protection) and is pictured here before her daughter's birth. Some quotes are edited for clarity purposes.

- TAINOTES: This report is a collaborative project between Care Net and the Charlotte Lozier Institute (CL). Value of services is based upon materials and services provided by 84 pregnancy centers in the state of New York. At least 1 of these centers received state or federal funding in 2019. Total savings are calculated based on cost estimates of services, classes and baby items provided to clients. The sources for the cost estimates and valuation of items and services can be found in the Methodology section, pgs 12-14, of the 2020 CLI national pregnancy center report, "Pregnancy Centers Stand the Test of Time" (www.lozierinstitute.org/pcr2020), except for the following state specific labor costs.

The New York mean hourly wages referenced are as follows for: Social Workers in local/state government is \$32.49 per hour - BLS OES code 21-1029, Registered Nurses is \$42.23 per hour - OES code 29-1141, and Diagnostic Medical Sonographers is \$37.05 per hour - OES code 29-2032. The estimated savings does not include housing and other monetary assistance provided to some clients. We advocate for our clients by networking with hundreds of county, state and non-profit social service organizations around the country. We cannot quantify the value of emotional support given to the women we help through phone calls and caring volunteers. Published July 2022.

