

Unexpected Hope



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"Since living at Heart of Hope, I have enjoyed the basic training of becoming a mother and how the staff is always so helpful and motivates and encourages me to do my best at everything I do. One of the things that has impacted me the most is my relationship with my house mom. She takes the time to talk to me about life things."



LOOKING FORWARD IN 2013

Here is a glimpse at the vision God has given us for this ministry.

- Program and Property Development – Aftercare to include Housing for Moms and Children
- Mentorship Enhancement Program
- Volunteer Training Program and New Online Calendar Module
- Job Assistance Program

***Want to help? Have a Food/Pantry Drive!
Thanks Brookwood Baptist!***



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Annual Report
AND INFORMATION PACKET FOR 2012

A NOTE FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Since we opened in December of 2010, we have served 18 young women through the birth of their babies. We have been in the valley with them as they try to figure out what is the best decision for themselves and their child. We have helped 10 determined young ladies map out a plan that gave them the confidence they needed to rest in their decision as a single parent.

Sometimes the Lord bestows His gift of peace and rest through the young women's decision to give their babies the gift of a family through adoption. We had five young mothers choose adoption for

their children. The peace that comes with this decision is often accompanied with a pain that is hard to put into written word. But, God knows this pain and He is faithfully by their side. In the words of Tracey, one of our birthmoms, "Now I know what it must have been like for God to give His child to the world, only He gave His son to a brutal death, and I am giving my son a life in the loving care of a family." Through tear soaked eyes, Tracey then placed her beautiful baby boy in the arms of another mother.

Sacrifice is the theme throughout each of our young mothers' stories. Thank you for making it possible for them to live in a safe and Christ-centered home so they can focus on making the best parenting decision. Thank you for your sacrifice of prayer, time and financial gifts this year! You were right there with us pouring purpose and destiny back into their lives and we beheld the power and glory of the Lord in this place. From our family to your family, we pray that you abound in our Lord's favor and blessing today and forever!

Joyfully Serving,
Jodi Burns, Executive Director



OUR MISSION

- **To meet the physical, emotional and spiritual needs of young ladies facing a crisis pregnancy by walking beside them as they decide whether to parent or to place for adoption.**
- **To help them set career goals by instituting a plan of action**
- **To commit to aftercare for those who are not ready or able to return to their former life.**

SERVICES

- **Physical Development** – Private health care; Nutritious meal plan by certified dietician; Paid medical expenses not covered by insurance
- **Emotional Development** – Individual and group therapy by staff LCSW (provided 320 hours of client contact); Traditional family living environment; Personal growth through My Baby and Me workbooks
- **Spiritual Development** – Influenced by the Gospel of Jesus Christ; Completed personal bible study and encouraged personal devotional time; Weekly group devotions; Regular church attendance; Attended special conferences and music events offered through local churches; Journey of Sisters offered personal bible studies to our residents
- **Educational and Career Goals** – Secured On-site Educational Program with ED 20/20 Virtual Learning – supervised by a staff certified educator; Teaching and tutoring specific to grade level, career goals or testing; Life skill classes – meal planning, budgeting, boundaries, sexual integrity, parenting options, parenting, child birth preparation, maintaining a home, and crafts; Reality babies – education through infant simulators including normal baby, shaken-baby, and fetal alcohol and drug induced baby; Received contribution from Willis-Knighton Health System to purchase laptops, software and printer for residents' home use (virtual classroom)
- **Aftercare** – Prepared for return to home or alternate living environment; Mike and Lucy Johnson Shepherding Home; Nurse Family Partnership; Postpartum counseling onsite for both parenting and adoption choices

OPPORTUNITIES FOR INVOLVEMENT

Individuals:

- Prayer – the foundational need of a successful ministry
- Ambassador/Liaison – actively involve others within your realm of influence (church, community) in the support of the ministry
- Become a Life Skill Instructor - teach our residents valuable lessons for their futures. This includes healthy relationships, parenting education, life skills, arts and crafts, time or money management, nutrition, and job acquisition
- Mentor - develop a relationship that will last a lifetime. Interact with the girls by taking them out for special activities, weekly calls or visits, remembering birthdays and other special occasions.

Churches, Organizations & Businesses:

- Help at fundraisers, service days, promoting events to your members, hold food drive
- Include young women in Church outings, concerts, and conferences
- Have your own fundraiser – car wash, 5-K Walk, Bake Sale, Wear jeans on Friday

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Saturday, June 1, 2013 – LifeCycle Benefit Bike Tour at Heart of Hope Campus
- Monday, September 23, 2013 – Heart of Hope Golf Classic at Southern Trace Country Club

CLIENT STATISTICS

Babies saved from abortion: **5**
 Number of residents who stayed through birth: **11**
 Number of residents at time of print: **2**
 Parenting choices: **8**
 Adoption choices: **3**
 School Success: **100%** - Grades 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 and College Enrollment
 Volunteers: **270**
 Volunteer Hours: **1500.75**

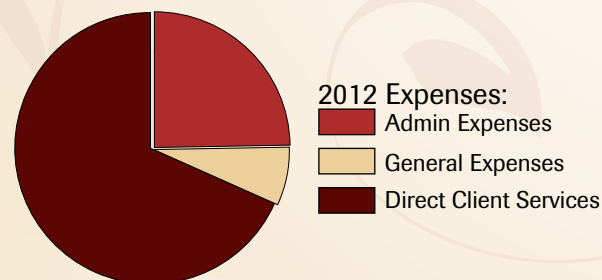
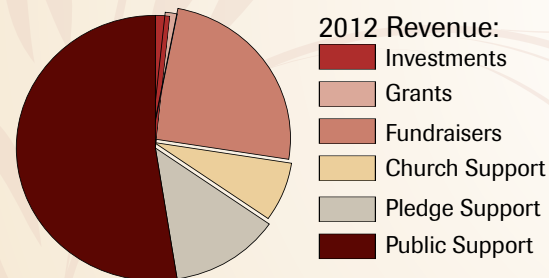
FINANCES

Thank you for your support!

*Total Revenue:	\$411,785.26
Public Support	\$216,146.63
Pledge Support	\$51,793.00
Church Support	\$29,650.08
Fundraisers	\$100,872.15
Grants	\$6,500.00
Investments	\$6,823.40

*A promissory note from a local foundation in the amount of \$150,950.00 was waived and posted as revenue in 2012

Total Expenses:	\$307,845.77
Admin Expense	\$76,328.87
General Expense	\$21,701.52
Direct Client Services	\$209,815.38



"When I first found out I was pregnant, I was thinking, what am I going to do? Everyone's gonna be disappointed, and judge me, plus how am I gonna take care of this baby? I thought there was no hope for me and my baby. Coming to Heart of Hope gave me hope. I learned I can still have a bright future. I have faith that I can parent my child and that God will protect us, but even if I choose adoption, He will always be by our side." -Heidi