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Corrine's Courage

Life was spinning out of control when Corrine found out she was pregnant. Homeless, jobless , and heavily into drug abuse, Corrine and her boyfriend thought abortion was the only answer that made sense. Then they saw a flyer for Life's Options Pregnancy Center and walked through our doors.

Even as the fear of their uncertain future gripped them they still courageously took the first step toward choosing life by coming for an appointment. Through the love and encouragement they received, plus the ability to see and hear their baby through a free ultrasound, Corrine and Tyler decided to make plans to parent their new baby and begin a journey to get sober, gain employment, and find stable housing. They stayed in close contact with Wendy and were able to receive the necessary supplies through Kids Closet to prepare for their sweet baby's arrival. They welcomed their son, Ryan, seven months later. Corrine and Tyler continued visiting Life's Options, benefitting from the support of baby clothes, equipment and diapers but most importantly coming back to the safe place they felt loved and supported. Ryan was given life through the courage of his parents to allow Life's Options to support them in a difficult time.

Recently Tyler lost his job and found himself at a new workplace where the influence of drugs lured him back to using. Disfunction found a place within their home once again and the stress of the situation and the struggle to fight addiction led Corrine to reach out again. She found the courage to take Wendy's outstretched hand of support one day and opened up to share her fears about the situation. Life's Options was able to provide a safe place and resources so she could stay at the Mountain Peace Chance shelter until family was able to intervene. Thankfully Mountain Peace Chance Shelter had an immediate opening, though that is not always the case, and we are looking at alternatives to help provide a safe place for future clients that may have to wait for an opening.

Please be praying for Corrine, Tyler and Ryan. They are still fighting each day to find the courage to choose abundant life in the midst of difficult circumstances and overwhelming fear. Pray for those who are committed to walking this road of recovery with them and for their acceptance of Jesus as LORD of their lives.

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- Social Media Support
- Event Committee
- Grant Writer
- Photographer
- Videographer/Video Editor
- Kids Closet

Donate Now to Help Clients Like Corrine



NEW STAFF AT LIFE'S OPTIONS



Mary Baum, Nurse Manager

We are excited to bring Mary to the Life's Options team this month as our part-time nurse manager! She will provide consistent hours for scheduling ultrasounds at the pregnancy center. We are also looking forward to having her expertise as we continue to build relationships with the medical community and local schools.

My Why: I have a heart for people in need, especially women. The reason I became an RN and later an ultrasound tech was because I wanted to be where people are and make sure

they know that they are not alone and that there are people who will walk with them. I want them to tangibly feel the love God has for them



Michelle Schroeder, Interim Executive Director

My Why: I grew up in a family situation that felt unstable and at times out of control. It felt very lonely sometimes. I vividly remember people who reached out in simple ways to show love and support. Those acts of kindness meant a lot to encourage me and show me God's love during difficult times. It helped me know God was near and I wasn't alone. I want the opportunity to encourage others. I understand the importance of having the weight of stress and uncertainty lifted for even a few short moment and having a safe place where you feel seen. It can change the trajectory of a person's life — it did mine.

Interests: Paddle boarding, family time, water skiing, bible study, reading, lunch with friends

BLESSED BY THEIR DEDICATION





Wendy Kitting, Client Services Director

My why: Over the years of serving at Life's Options my perspective has shifted and the "why" I serve with has as well. Concern and a burden for the unborn remains a large piece of why I am involved with the ministry but my heart is also burdened for the people who are overwhelmed by the pressure to look "perfect" on the outside according to this world's standards. It is my desire is to be a calm, reassuring presence in the midst of fear, stress, and uncertainty when a woman or man comes into our center. An unplanned pregnancy is often the result of someone seeking fulfillment in places unable to provide it. So, to be a voice of truth, love and compassion, which reflects the heart of Jesus, is what I pray they receive. In Luke 10 Jesus was asked what is the greatest commandment and he replied," You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength, and with all your mind, and your neighbor as yourself." He then gave the parable of the Good Samaritan and asked the man "who was the neighbor to him who fell among the thieves?" to which the man replied, "He who showed mercy on him".

Interests: Interests: reading, hanging out with my family, walks with friends, DIY projects around the house.

Janine Payton, Kids Closet Manager

My Why: Kids Closet is the perfect place for me. I enjoy creating the sense of community we have in the shop for clients, customers, donors and volunteers alike. Making the clients feel comfortable in their shopping experience, listening to their concerns and getting to know the children makes me feel a sense of well being. I love what I do and cannot imagine doing anything else. **Interests:** Sewing, crafting, hiking and traveling.

Dr. Karin Wollschlaeger, Medical Director

DeeAnn Lemmons, Bookkeeper

My Why: As someone who has experienced an unplanned pregnancy the summer before college, I remember the anxious feelings of the plans for my future disappearing. I can relate to the loneliness and fear that our clients might experience as they explore what lies ahead. As I have grown in my faith, my life verse has become Acts 17:26 & 27. Paraphrasing, it says: that "God determined the times set for us and the exact places where we should live. (He placed our boundary stones.) God did this so that men would seek Him and perhaps reach out for Him and find Him, though He is not far from each one of us." Paul was explaining God's purpose to the intellectuals of his day, and it gives me passion and purpose for my life and role as the bookkeeper at Life's Options. He knows where we are and our circumstances at each place in our lives. He did this so we would seek Him. I pray as we face life's options together, my service can point others to God. I have a heart for keeping this ministry available for women of all ages that might be experiencing unexpected circumstances in their lives.

Interests: NimbusFrames (an e-commerce, entrepreneur company I run with my husband, Tom, selling digital art displays for homes), Art, Bible Study, reading, family & friends.