ABC Life Choices (aka ABC Pregnancy Care Center) is a Christ-centered organization dedicated to providing accurate information, services and support to facilitate informed life-affirming decisions about pregnancy sexual integrity, parenting and post-abortive recovery. ABC is a non-profit that provides help to individuals regardless of marital status, age, race or religion.

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Matthew 18:10 ... See that you do not despise one of these little ones. For I tell you that their angels in heaven always see the face of my Father in heaven." - Jesus



Watch for Pumpkin, Apple, Sweet Potato, Chocolate, Raisin, Coconut, Berries, Peanut Butter, Lemon, Pecan, Banana, & Custard, Oh My! at the ...

# Praise, Illuminate & Exalt!

# 2021 PIE AUCTION ABC Life Choices Fundraiser

Our God is greatly to be praised. He breathes into each life He creates, illuminates our paths and gives each of us a purpose and a place in this world, that we may exalt Him together. In this year's 2021 Pie Auction, ABC will again be celebrating the light of Christ in our lives.

Matthew 5:16: Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven.

Every Tuesday before Thanksgiving, ABC Life Choices holds this fun (& tasty!) event, For 2021, it will be on November 23 at Peninsula Grace Church. Doors open at 6 p.m. for auction previewing, followed by a silent auction. The pie auction begins at 7 p.m. It's a great way to take home the BEST Thanksgiving pies and make a lasting difference for families in our Peninsula communities! Please join us for a family evening of fun and help support healthy life choices. This event makes it possible to continue serving as an arm of our local churches in sharing Christ's compassion and

reaching vulnerable women and fathers of babies with life-affirming services and support. Life is precious and we have the privilege of seeing the Lord bring healing to hearts that have been traumatized in unspeakable ways, and to minister His love. Pies and in-kind basket donations for this silent auction event are greatly needed.

#### **INTERESTED IN DONATING?**

Call 907-283-9062 Mon-Thu12-4 p.m. to arrange basket drop-off or go online to www.ABCLifeChoices.org/AboutUs/Make a Donation, to donate financially. You can also give by scanning a QR code—see last page. If you'd like to help, you can email ABC at bpeters@abclife choices.org.

Together, we can continue working to protect life and build strong families in our Peninsula communities. We hope to see you on November 23!

#### **Trafficking Hotline Available**

A shift has occurred in online sexual exploitation with the pandemic. Traffickers quickly adapt to changing contexts and create challenges to those trying to reduce and prevent sex trafficking. The Human Trafficking Hotline saw a nearly 20 percent victims and survivors increase in reaching out. (excerpt from polarisproject.org)

NEED HELP? You can reach the U.S. National Human Trafficking Hotline:

1-888-373-7888 / Text "BeFree"233733





# Think You're Pregnant?

We are a safe place.
Our services are provided at no cost and are confidential.
We can help empower you to make healthy choices through medical support and education.

(970) 283-9062 Call Today!

# ABC Services Provided at No Cost:

Pregnancy Testing
Limited OB Ultrasounds
Parenting & Life Skills Classes
Pregnancy Options Education
Confidential Advocacy & Mentoring
STI (Chlamidia/Gonorrhea) Test & Treat
Sexual Health & Risk Education
Survivor Restoration Support
Community Resources Information
Abortion Recovery Care
Physical, Emotional, Spiritual Support
Care Closet Resources



Bonnie Wonnacott, Cindy Boettcher and Julie Sexton recently spent fun days organizing and setting up displays in the ABC Care Closet. Thank you, ladies, for your amazing help!

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#### Volunteers Answer Call for Service



Volunteer Dr. Linda Richeson came to ABC with a heart to help women in pregnancy, and those who experihave enced the trau-

ma of abortion. Linda says, "Being in a Christ-centered mission, especially supporting single women with parenting and childbirth, helps me learn, too. I feel very encouraged through fellowship with other volunteers and daily prayer sessions. I'm so pleased that ABC is also reaching out even more to the community through new technologies."

Peggy Morris been has ABC for several vears and began volunteering here after asking God where He

wanted her to go. His answer, Peggy says, was to go - where you see Me working.'

For her, some of the best things about being at ABC are the volunteers and staff she regularly interacts with, the ABC mission (see box at right), and she says she loves meeting clients and helping with their very real and sometimes very urgent needs.



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# Thank you to Our 2021 Run Walk Sponsors!

Please stop in and say thank you as you support these local businesses, organizations and friends who promote life-giving choices in our communities ...



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# **Appreciating Our** Lab Director ...



Heather and Ehren Rickman, pictured at the ABC Picnic in June.

ABC's Lab Director Heather Rickman has joined the center with a desire to serve God and help the organization to provide hope and expand medical screenings. She assists with regulatory compliance, working with ABC's Nurse Manager to ensure that the center stays compliant with accreditation in excellence and accuracy. We are glad you're part of the ABC team, Heather!

And this is love: that we walk in obedience to His commands. As you have heard from the beginning, His command is that you walk in love. 2 John 1:6

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# Volunteer Workshops Offer Encouragement, Training and Prayer



Volunteers meet for training, mutual learnings and center information on September 21. L to R, Volunteers Peggy Morris, Carol Anderson, Executive Director Becky Peters, Volunteers Dr. Linda Richeson, Women's Services Manager Jenny Wood, Volunteers Sandie Swank and Nancy Spooner. Not pictured: Volunteer Pat Kelley

Each month, ABC volunteers meet together and share learnings, vision and receive new training for center programs and client care. On September 21, Executive Director Becky Peters introduced new technology that will soon be integrated:

- The Ekyros program will additionally assist in scheduling and donor management, receipting and mailing list updates.
- HopeSync.com can connect ABC with real -time supporters for prayer and can quickly offer clients HIPPA-compliant video information to meet immediate situations.
- Brightcourse.com will provide in-house training, texting and video-conferencing, with continuous updates.

#### **Undaunted**

For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. - Ephesians 6:12

What do you see when you look out your window or turn on the news? Has the confusion, discord, and division caused your heart to be tempted or fall to discouragement?

Here at the Center, we have been reminded over and over again that we are in a spiritual battle and the stakes are high. The temptation is to become weary in doing good. But this is what we hear from the Lord, "Stand undaunted! Lift your shield of faith and the power of God will in turn shield you. Consider it a joy to endure the battle, the trials, even suffering, because when Jesus finally stands before us, we will be mature and complete: and our faith, worth more than gold, will be proved genuine.

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Praise, honor, and glory will make these griefs and trials fade into their rightful perspective as light and momentary.

WE NEED YOU! One of the new tools God has given us for the battle is powered through a program call HopeSync. Through it, we will be able to connect with patients and clients offering them information and connection via their phone. Additionally, a powerful part of this tool allows us to communicate in the moment though text or email.

From the Executive Director's desk

Would vou know of someone who would love to pray for us right as we meet those with who come in abortionvulnerable or abortionminded



real time? Would you consider being that someone who will battle with us on your knees? Signing up is simple. Go to www.LifePrayerPartner.com/

ABCLifeChoices or contact us at the Center (907) 283-9062.

While we know that our work here is spiritual, we also remind each other that the battle has already been won. We do not fear the one who roams around like a lion, but we serve and walk with the one who IS the Lion of the Tribe of Judah, who is seated in the heavenlies at the right hand of the Father. Dear friends, let us not shrink back in fear, but instead, let us walk with courage, undaunted.

- Becky

Please include ABC in your prayers, for life and the hope of eternity to abound through the love of Jesus and the work of our hands.

### **Background Blessings**

Daniel and Shawna Harkleroad serve behind the scenes, and their work blesses us all. The entire family comes in faithfully every other weekend and fills in as needed to thoroughly clean and keep ABC facilities sparkling. They volunteer out of conviction and support for the center mission. Daniel says, "I believe Christ equips some to protect the helpless and defend those who can't defend themselves." Shawna



Danny, Daniel, Jeremiah, Shawna, Lizzie & Brandi

shared how she believes in "speaking the truth with love, without weakness, to work hard and honorably for God's glory." Thank you, Harkleroad Family, for your hearts to serve at ABC!

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#### October-December

#### WHAT'S HAPPENING

Oct 5 Remember to Vote

Farmers Market Food Bank Tu 3-6p thru Oct

Oct 6 Effective Parenting - Wed 2pm Call 283-9062

Oct 11 Columbus Day

Nov 7 **Daylight Savings** 

Nov 11 Veterans Day

Nov 23 ABC Annual Pie Auction 6pm Pen. Grace Support ABC & get your Thanksgiving pies!

Nov 25 Thanksgiving

Nov 29 Hanukkah

Dec 10 Christmas Tour of Homes TBD

Dec 24 Christmas Eve

Dec 25 Christmas

Dec 31 New Year's Eve

Jan 1 New Year's Day

Jan 17 M Luther King Day

Jan 23 Sanctity of Human Life Sunday

ABC Life Choices is open Mon-Thurs, 12pm-4pm and by appointment

If you have an upcoming special event that supports life, please let us know for the next quarter.

# Want To Help?

Your investment into ABC Life Choices is wisely and prayerfully applied where the greatest needs exist.

We appreciate our partners!

lives, help the unborn & support families ...



"Do you take donations? You guys really helped life wasn't going so well, and I want to give back ."

There are four easy ways to make an additional difference in



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- Call from an ABC Client

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NOTE: At this time we have PLENTY of hats, gloves and blankets,

- \* Loys for Christmas, new or like new
  - \* Girls winter PJs 2T-5T
  - \* Girls winter Shirts 2T-5T
  - \* Girls Snowsuits& Jackets 6-18mo
- \* Boys winter PJs 6-9mo \* Boys Snowsuits& Jackets Newborn-5T
  - \* Boys Shirts, 2T-5T
    - \* Car Seats, new
    - \* Baby Monitors
  - \* Sizes 4 and 6 diapers

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