



client testimony

I was pregnant and we had just moved here. A friend told me that the Hope Clinic could help me get some things we needed for our child. Little did we know that going there would be the greatest blessing to us!

I was high-risk and our daughter Madelyn was born 2 ½ months early due to major complications in the pregnancy. The Hope Clinic staff gave us so much support while our little girl was in the NICU and helped us get all the things we needed for when she came home.

I loved knowing I could learn and provide for my child at the same time—I was able to use the Baby Bucks I earned to get her clothes, diapers, toys, books and other things.

I love everyone at the Hope Clinic and would like people to know how helpful and wonderful the environment is there! I was blaming myself for why my baby was so small, wishing I could have changed things. But the Hope Clinic staff helped me believe in myself and they loved Maddie like their own. I know that she is our little miracle!

For anyone who is struggling financially or just needing support, the Hope Clinic will treat you like family and help you through.

Vanessa

Our Mission

To be the first choice for anyone facing an unplanned pregnancy

Our Vision

To make abortion unthinkable for all who come to us

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2022

annual report



a note from our executive director

My Dear Friends,

So much changed in 2022! It was the year that marked the long-desired reversal of Roe vs Wade by the Supreme Court. We saw our state of Indiana take the lead in passing more restrictive abortion laws, and now await the outcome of court challenges to them. Other states, including our neighbor Michigan, passed more liberal laws or adopted constitutional amendments protecting abortion rights.

We took steps to enhance the security of our staff, clients, and facilities in the face of threats by those angered by the Supreme Court’s decision. We dramatically stepped-up spending on Google and other social media advertising to try to fight through all of the noise and falsehoods about what we do and how we do it. It’s where we must be in order to reach her.

We contemplated how best to deal with the rapid growth of chemical abortions, which creates an urgency to reach her more quickly than ever before. Do we have the right message to make us her first choice? Do we have the right services to convince her to give us a chance...to give her baby a chance?

Yes, so much changed and yet, mostly nothing changed for our ministry. Unplanned pregnancies will continue to happen regardless of any court rulings, laws, or constitutional amendments. These unplanned pregnancies will still often cause feelings of stress, hopelessness, and despair. And because of these feelings, some women will still see terminating that unplanned pregnancy as their best option.

Without us here, they may see it as their *only* option.

The other constant in this year of change was you. Despite all the uncertainty, your support never wavered. In fact, 2022 set a new high-water mark for total giving and the total number of donors. My eyes teared up as I wrote this, thinking about the mighty God we serve and how He blessed this ministry so abundantly, once again, through all of you.

Our theme for 2023 is “It takes a community.” Saving lives is not something we can do on our own here. Nor is changing lives by breaking cycles of generational dysfunction that saddle so many that we serve. It takes all of us, a community, and that community is YOU!

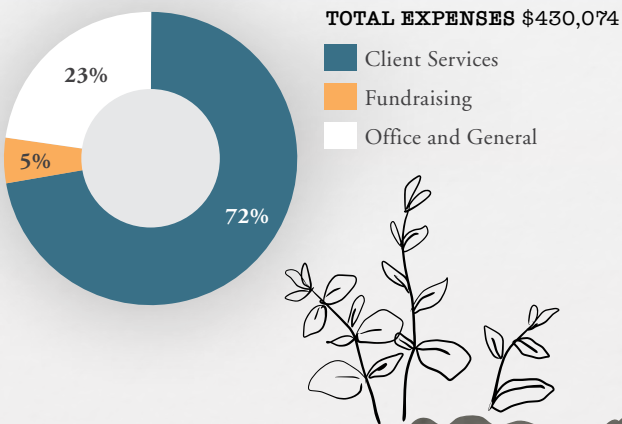
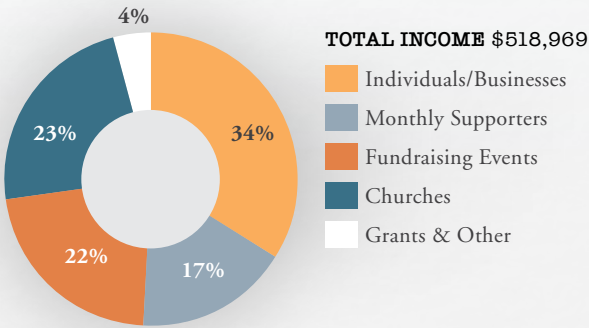
Thank you so much for staying with us through this season of change.

Blessings in Christ,

Jim
Jim Heckman
Executive Director

Finances

Fiscal year October 1, 2021 through September 30, 2022



opportunities for Involvement

INDIVIDUALS:

- **Prayer** – the foundational need of a successful ministry
- **Liaison** – be our contact person in your church family
- **Financial Involvement** – Become a monthly partner; give annually; give in memory or honor of a loved one; give through your estate planning
- **Volunteer** – Become a client advocate or mentor

WE NEED EVERYONE!

CHURCHES AND GROUPS:

- Include us in your church’s “missions” budget
- Hold a breakfast or other fundraising event
- Invite our staff to speak at your events
- Group projects – make Baby Welcome bags, etc.
- Host a “Baby Bottle Campaign” – collect money in baby bottles
- Host a baby shower to help stock our Baby Boutique

Community Services

- Sexual integrity and STD education
- Speakers for events
- Comfort bags for loss or miscarriage of a child

Client Services

- Pregnancy testing and ultrasound confirmation
- Abortion pill reversal
- STD testing, treatment and education
- Information on options, including adoption
- Education classes on parenting, relationships, etc.

all FREE of charge

- Individual and couples mentoring
- Earned material assistance
- Gently used maternity and baby clothes
- Community assistance referrals
- After abortion care

client statistics

Number of Clients	289
Client Visits	1,129
Pregnancy Tests	182
Positive Results	128
Abortion Minded/Vulnerable	13
Ultrasounds	224
STD Tests	48

These are the measurable statistics, but it’s impossible to know all the people being reached through the ministry of The Hope Clinic.

