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Mon, Tue & Wed: 9:30-5:00 and Thur & Sat: 9:30-1:00

# Valerie's Vision

As of June 20th there have been over 50 pregnancy centers throughout the country that have been bombed, vandalized, torched or suffered from graffiti. There are pro-abortion terrorist groups named "Jane's Revenge" and "Ruth Sent Us" who are threatening pregnancy centers and have taken responsibility for the violence. They are openly posting threats to pro-life organizations saying, "If abortion isn't safe, then neither are you." They consider pro-life pregnancy centers evil and their enemy. So far, there have been no arrests or investigations into this domestic terrorist group.

We are living in times like no other. I am taking steps to make us as safe as possible by investing in outdoor security systems with cameras, an indoor safe room, and armed security during closed hours of our building. It's very difficult to think about having to make these decisions but the time has come. I would be foolish to think that violence won't touch us. The Bible says we are to be wise as serpents and harmless as doves (Matthew 10:16). I would rather be prepared for war and never need it than to need it and not be prepared.

Now is the most important time in the pro-life movement. The work we do is life changing and now potentially dangerous. How can you help? We need people to pray, be an armed presence during off hours and continue to support the life saving work God has called us. We are stronger together.

## ROE VS. WADE

We have just witnessed an extraordinary and momentous time in our Country's history. Most of us thought we would never see Roe vs. Wade overturned in our lifetime. I am sure the pressure on our Supreme Court Justices has been fierce and the pressure to cave in to the loud masses must have been tempting, but they stood their ground and did their job. I am very proud of them and grateful for their integrity.

Neighboring states like Utah and Wyoming are outlawing abortion. Women living in those states will be coming to Colorado looking for an abortion. A woman living in eastern Utah who is seeking an abortion will be coming to Grand Junction. We have an opportunity to help these women understand the ramifications of abortion on her and her baby's life. We must be ready. Since the beginning of time, women have had to deal with unplanned and unwanted pregnancies. We are here to help them see that there is a way to carry their pregnancy through birth with the support of our community, churches and our Center.

"Rescue those who are unjustly sentenced to die; save them as they stagger to their death. Don't excuse yourself by saying, "Look, we didn't know." For God understands all hearts, and he sees you. He who guards your soul knows

you knew. He will repay all people as their actions deserve." Proverbs 24:11-12

Valerie Herrera

**Executive** Director

## We Need You!

Did you know you can give financially to The Pregnancy Center without it costing you a cent? If you have a City Market card you can designate our Center to receive community rewards. Every time you use your City Market card, rewards build up and are sent to us. This will cost you nothing and won't affect your fuel points. Just designate The Pregnancy Center of Grand Junction on-line or call 1-800-576-4377 for us to receive your community rewards. City Market does the rest. This is a great way to support our Center without it costing you anything. City Market reward points help fund The Pregnancy Center. Thank you.

## **Comparing Numbers**

Here is a breakdown of the number of clients from 2021—2022:		
Pregnancy Tests:	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>
5 /	9 (Jan)	14 (Jan)
	11 (Feb)	17 (Feb)
	15 (Mar)	12 (Mar)
	12 (Apr)	16 (Apr)
	11 (May)	14(May)
Supplies *:	91 (Jan)	119 (Jan)
	82 (Feb)	110 (Feb)
	93 (Mar)	114 (Mar)
	71 (Apr)	118 (Apr)
	70 (May)	131 (May)

\* Supplies are diapers, wipes, formula, maternity and baby clothes.

### CURRENT NEEDS

New or used maternity clothes

Size 3, 4 & 5 diapers

Formula—all types

12 month old sleepers—summerboys and girls

6-9 month girls onesies

3T-5T girls & boys clothes

Baby shampoo, lotion, diaper rash creme



I was born and raised in Hampden, Massachusetts. I later attended Johnson and Wales University in Rhode Island and took an internship in Aspen to become a chef. Throughout my years in the beautiful Rocky Mountains I found a passion for leadership and building communities.

In 2006 I asked my landlord the most important question ever. I asked: "Why do you believe what you believe?" The answer my landlord gave led me on a path to find my Savior. Since 2004 I have worked to build a business that leads people to Jesus, financial freedom, and hope. I enjoy seeing lives changed, marriages strengthened, and financial successes.

I have now added to my resume the titles "husband" and "dad" as I married my lovely wife Kristy (another volunteer at The Pregnancy Center) last year and gained two sons. It is because of the love my wife has for The Pregnancy Center that I got involved, and now I am serving in the Men's Ministry. I love the Guy's Night with our male clients. I want to create a space where men feel free to share their worries and successes in fatherhood while they connect with each other. I look forward to the possibilities of an expanded Men's Ministry in the future.



#### **Donate On-Line**

Please donate to us at: www.pregnancy-center.org. You will find the donate tab on the top. Donations may also be made through texting the word "Give" to 970-251-1771; you will be prompted for next step. Thank you for your support.

#### NEWSLETTER ACCESS

We are working on ways for you to receive our newsletters. Would you rather receive this newsletter electronically? If so, let us know what email n the futureaddress we can use. Email us at: info@pregnancy-center.org

### WAYS TO SERVE

We understand people are busy and schedules are tight. Committing to four hours a week as a volunteer might be too much, but you would like to help somehow. Would you be able to donate a few hours a month on a committee? The committees we currently need volunteers are: Community Outreach, Marketing/Branding, Prayer, Medical, Men's Ministry and Fundraising. Please contact the appropriate committee head if you are interested and for dates and times of meetings.

Community Outreach: Megan Powell 303-501-3111 Marketing/branding: Jaime Gallob 970-216-3416 Prayer: Stephanie Boda 970-222-5039 Medical: Valerie Herrera 970-773-2451 Men's Ministry: Bryan Lague 970-241-7474 Fundraising: Valerie Herrera 970-773-2451

### MEN'S MINISTRY

Our next Guy's Night Out is Monday July 18th at 6:00 PM. If you are a man and feel God leading you to serve young men/ fathers in our community, please call Valerie Herrera to learn more about where you might fit in.

### BOUTIQUE WORKERS NEEDED

Our HUG OF THE HEART BOUTIQUE is essential to our clients. This room is approximately 12 ft. by 30 ft. filled with beautiful baby and maternity clothes, toys, baby food, adult food, all sorts of baby equipment, from strollers, to bathtubs to potty chairs. We also have a special play area where children can play while parents are shopping. It is beautiful! All items are second-hand, but look new as everything is washed and scrubbed—even stuffed animals and all the baby equipment is power washed.

However, it takes lots of hard work and many hands to maintain this standard. WE NEED HELP. If you like to clean and organize and witness results of your hard work, this volunteer position may be for you. We require about 20 hours working with an experienced boutique worker and then you may continue to work with another person or pick your own shift.

If you are interested, please come by the Center and speak to Valerie or Janet or call 970-241-7474.