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Communication Corner

My first three months as the Director of Community Engagement and Donor Development have been a whirlwind. My job at Path started two weeks after the Roe vs. Wade ruling, which was a volatile time for our nation. Knowing my new role I thought, "Wow Lord, what is your plan here?" I immediately heard in my spirit, "For such a time as this".

In the short time that I have been with Path, I have already experienced that we are small but mighty; gentle but brave; and truthful yet loving in all we do. Recently, while meeting with an advisor about my experiences in the community, she somewhat jokingly said my role should be called "Chief Conversation Starter" which is surprisingly quite accurate. Thankfully God has already opened many doors, and I have had the privilege to share our mission with dozens of individuals, organizations, service clubs, and churches.

I would appreciate your support and prayers in the days and months ahead, as I continue to tell Path's story. Time and time again, scripture reminds us of the importance of prayer. In Psalm 34, God answered David's prayers, protecting him, rescuing him, and delivering him from his fears. Our circumstances here at Path may differ, but our victory in this battle still comes from Him, so please join us as we continue to seek the Lord and rely on Him.

If you would like to chat or meet with me, discuss ideas, introduce me to your church, or connect me with a service group/business/organization that you are affiliated with, etc. please feel free to reach out to me directly! ~ Tracy Hall

Mission Moment

Our Client Services Manager recently received an email from a young man who visited Path with his girlfriend. He shared, "Several years back, y'all helped me and my partner navigate the early stages of an unexpected pregnancy. Unfortunately, we lost the baby to a miscarriage. It was devastating and it ended up ruining our relationship. That being said, I never forgot the kindness you showed us. The care and compassion was next-level. Thank you for that."

Although we don't always know the outcome or long-term impact that we have, we are grateful to know that our simple acts of kindness and compassion make a difference.

What's Next?

Overturning *Roe vs. Wade* and the laws that followed have changed things here in Boise, but the work and mission of Path remains the same. Every woman who walks through our door is treated with respect, care, and compassion. Truth about options is discussed, info and resources are provided, and hope and encouragement are freely shared. Data from 2021 shows that just over 2,000 women chose abortion in Idaho. Now more than ever, women facing unplanned pregnancies need a safe and trusted place to turn. Path wants to be that place, and help women answer the question, "What's Next?"

The time for the faith-based community to get involved is now, and together we must answer the same question. What's next, and how can we work together to support women and families throughout their pregnancy and beyond? Changing the hearts and minds of the next 2,000 women who may be considering abortion is something only God can do. What Path, and other life affirming organizations can do, is make sure they have somewhere to turn when the journey before them is unexpected and uncertain.

We also need to build the infrastructure that will be necessary to support women who choose to parent or make an adoption plan. Regardless of their decision, it's not an easy choice. We are only one piece of the puzzle and need to work with others who are called to this shared vision of the future.

Our goal is to meet with as many churches, service clubs, organizations, and like-minded individuals as possible by the end of the year. Why? Because all involved represent the Body of Christ. "For as we have many members in one body, but all the members do not have the same function, so we, being many, are one body in Christ, and individually members of one another." Romans 12: 4-5. We must be unified in our mission.

Summer Car Wash for Path!



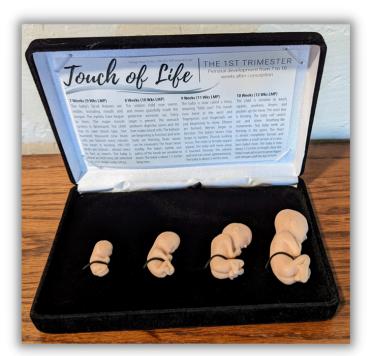
We wrapped up summer here at Path with a fun day in the sun with youth from Epworth Chapel on the Green.

This enthusiastic group hosted a donation-based car wash to benefit Path. It was a team effort with everyone taking turns to not only get the attention of passing cars, but also wash and dry the cars to perfection. It was awesome to witness what a little hard work and a heart to serve will accomplish. We are grateful for the ongoing partnership we have with Epworth Chapel!



Thank you, youth & parents from Epworth Chapel on the Green!

Community Outreach Update!



For those of you who received our email blast in August about our need for marketing supplies, we are happy to report that we have reached our goal of \$1,500. We are grateful for the individuals who donated towards this campaign and are excited to now have the items that we need to have an engaging display.

We've already attended college "Welcome Fairs" where swag and info was given to students. Several other community events are scheduled for the Fall. These types of events are essential if we want to increase the number of women who find and choose Path.

The fetal development kits will be used to start important conversations in the future. We will be utilizing these kits for church presentations, teen groups, college events, and resource fairs. If you would like to schedule a tour or presentation let us know.