



# Kerman CARE CENTER



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I have so much to share with you this newsletter!

### ***This is HUGE for us at the Center...***

We have very exciting news of a sponsor willing to match ANY donation up to \$25,000 for new donations to the Center marked "grant". This is HUGE for us at the Center right now since we are unable to have larger-scale fundraising at the moment. Although many businesses have been successful fundraising online, KCC has few email addresses and so that ability has not been available to us.

I visited *Bakersfield Pregnancy Center* and had the opportunity to stay with their Executive Director on her beautiful ranch. They had a wonderful training put together for *eKyros*, a software used by many Pregnancy Centers. It is used here, in our Center, and I wanted first-hand training to be able to use it to it's fullest potential.

### ***...we have distributed over 450 boxes of diapers and wipes!***

KCC was able to secure a HUGE donation of diapers, and have been giving the larger sizes out to anyone in need in the community. So far, we have distributed over 450 boxes of diapers and wipes!

Some families are unable to come to the Center, so I have been delivering on evenings and weekends. It has been a fantastic opportunity to raise awareness of our new *BrightCourse* program, and to let people know that we accept donations of gently-used baby clothing and furniture. Win-Win!

I plan to visit the Hanford Pregnancy Center who can use help with diapers and wipes. I am loading up my truck to meet with the Executive Director.

### ***...be looking forward to a luau fundraiser in the future!***

A Polynesian Dance School in Fresno has connected with us and has donated dance lessons to the young girls going through our Abstinence Program. The owner has also offered dancers at any event for KCC, so be looking forward to a luau fundraiser in the future!

I received an opportunity to speak at *Enterprise High School*, and it is the first of many schools I hope to speak to!

THANK YOU for all of the welcome cards, notes, letters, donations, and gifts received lately. Honestly, it has touched my heart! Please continue to pray for our Center; and God bless you always!

***Hope. Help. Healing.***

# Staff & Stories

...so much to praise God for!

## Prayers & Praises

- ◆ KCC is in need of someone to fill a volunteer janitorial position
- ◆ Pray the grants KCC has applied for will be approved to help with our end-of-year short fall
- ◆ Pray for KCC's Board Members as we begin 2021 with three new members (*and with Praise to God in meeting KCC's needs*)
- ◆ KCC is in need of someone to help underwrite our future fundraising banquet
- ◆ Two more girls have started KCC's Abstinence Program! (*as we continue to educate the community regarding our services during the distribution of free diapers*)
- ◆ Thank you to past Board Members Pat, Elena, and Shirley

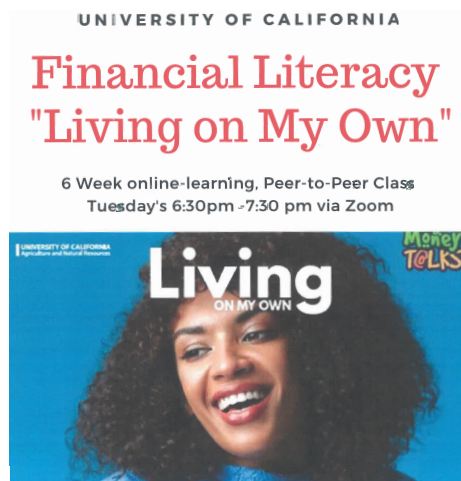
## SANCTITY OF LIFE ~

Thank you Biola Congregational Church for your hospitality, and the opportunity for Maria to share her story. There is hope and healing when it comes to your heart, and it starts with Jesus.

Kerman Care Center has the opportunity to partner with University of California's Financial Literacy program.

"Living On My Own" is for young adults, 18 to 24, offering peer-to-peer online classes via Zoom.

Self-efficiency, financial skills, and financial well-being are covered.



## HAPPY CLIENT ~ HAPPY COORDINATOR

Elisha L came in for pregnancy services and Earn While You Learn Program. She was afraid we wouldn't be able to accept her as a client because she is having twins. With a straight face, Elsa told her, she must be willing to spend more time in our Boutique since she will be shopping for two. The straight face broke into laughter and right away Elisha felt at ease and welcomed. She left with a thankful heart, lots of gently used outfits, and other baby items she was in need of! Her due date is just around the corner, and has not missed an education class since becoming a client.

It is such a pleasure when you've changed someone's life simply by telling them they matter and we are here for them. We do not know what a person is going through or what they are facing as a result of a positive pregnancy test. Whether emotional, financial, or even spiritual, we are equipped to help with all three. As Client Services Coordinator, Elsa, is dedicated to serving every woman with respect, privacy, and honesty.

## Our Mission

Kerman Care Center is a non-profit organization which exists to promote an abstinent lifestyle for the unmarried, offer life-affirming alternatives to those facing an unplanned pregnancy, and equip individuals through education and factual information.



Our services promote wellness for our clients, their families, and the community.  
All our services are free. We depend on the support of individuals such as you.

***If you want to be removed from our mailing list, please let us know by emailing [info@KermanCareCenter.org](mailto:info@KermanCareCenter.org)***

# 450 BOXES OF DIAPERS HANDED OUT ~

We are so blessed -- even during COVID we are able to reach out and help local women and their families. A big thank you to a very generous donor.

A big thank you, also, to those who follow us on Facebook and responded to our need of baby wipes.

It is through you, our donors, that we are able to continue changing the lives of our clients, and communities.

## Baby Boutique Wish List ~

- Baby shampoo and Baby lotion
- Pacifiers and Pacifier holders
- Newborn hand mittens
- Powdered formula
- Small bibs
- New clothing (Newborn thru 12 mo)
- Crib sheets
- Receiving blankets
- Gently-used baby furniture



*Kerman Care Center will have reached over 1000 clients as of this year!*



When a client receives a negative pregnancy test, our goal is to educate them in matters of the heart, which includes setting boundaries, building integrity, and protecting one's self from harm by waiting for the right person who will love and cherish them in ways they deserve.

### Love Lessons by Pam Stenzel

Used with our Abstinence Program, this seven-part series educates how choices can affect us forever.

*This series includes:*

- 1: Sex is Awesome (*a spiritual lesson*)
- 2: Pregnancy Is Not a Disease
- 3: STIs
- 4: Character (*a spiritual lesson*)
- 5: Porn
- 6: Your Heart (*a spiritual lesson*)
- 7: Protect Yourself

BrightCourse's Certified Advocate Training is an additional benefit offered to Kerman Care Center.

In this program, topics range from the negative pregnancy test, STI testing, abstinence, trafficking, and more all while helping make the message of abstinence and sexual health one that can be powerfully taught in our Center and community.

Thank you for your donations and support of this program!

### Hope. Help. Healing.

*KCC offers resources for those who have experienced or whose lives have been touched by pregnancy loss through past abortion(s), miscarriage, or adoption*

AmazonSmile is a simple way for you to support **Kerman Care Center**

Simply go to [smile.amazon.com](https://www.amazon.com/smile) on your desktop web browser or activate AmazonSmile on your Amazon Shopping app on your iOS or Android phone (found under settings on your app)

On your first visit to [smile.amazon.com](https://www.amazon.com/smile), select **Kerman Care Center** before you begin shopping

# rum•mage sale

*noun* a sale of useful and quality secondhand items, held as a fundraiser for Kerman Care Center; providing compassionate support to women and men faced with difficult pregnancy decisions



## Saturday, March 13, 2021 7 am to 1 pm

Kerman Covenant Church Parking Lot I Whitesbridge and Del Norte

### BABIES SAVED ~

Last month pro-lifers commemorated the 48th year of *Roe v Wade*. Please join KCC in praying for an end to abortion. Even though overturning *Roe* has become a multi-generational battle, there is good news. Since 1990, abortions in the US have fallen 57 percent. That's astonishing. Over 557,000 babies are saved each year. Take heart!

*-taken from HLA Action News, Volume 43, Number 2*



- Free Pregnancy Testing
- Earn While You Learn Parenting Classes
- Birth and Breastfeeding Classes
- School Presentations on Life Skills
- Court-Ordered Parenting Classes
- Anger Management Courses
- Community Resource Referrals

### Life-Affirming Alternatives

We offer FREE and Confidential Resources to Help Women and Men Navigate the Challenges of Unplanned Pregnancies, in a Safe and Encouraging Environment

**Office Hours** Tuesday through Thursday, 10 am to 5 pm

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to keep informed of the  
latest happenings at KCC!



**Kerman Care Center is having its 1st Fundraiser of 2021 – and we need your participation!**

Join us for a fun morning of coffee, a chance to meet and greet staff, volunteers, and a board member or two, and learn about the Center's outreach... all while you shop for a treasure or two

Donations are accepted as items to sell and monetary gifts – helping our clients, their families, and community, and furthering Sexual Health and Relationship Education

Please contact our office by phone or email at [info@KermanCareCenter](mailto:info@KermanCareCenter) for information on how to drop off items for donation