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...Providing holistic services

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Connection youth empowerment INSTITUTE

Connection Institute exists to provide information and support to teenagers and young adults as they face the confusing issues

of life. CI currently offers two programs that empower teens to make healthy choices about life, love, sex, and relationships. By using trained community educators and interactive curricula, students are connected to medically-accurate information and various community resources. Speaking truth into their lives empowers teens and enables them to experience healthy relationships.

In 2012, there were **5,911** 7th, 8th and 9th grade students from the following school districts that participated in *Compass*, our 10-day Adolescent Sexual Health program.

Compass

The choice is yours. Choose to know.®

- Baxter Springs
- Carl Junction
- College Heights Christian School
- Columbus
- Diamond
- Gateway School
- Galena
- Joplin
- Joplin Area Catholic Schools
- Neosho
- Riverton
- Carthage (Fall 2013)
- Seneca
- Webb City
- Sarcoxie

Educating for healthy choices

BATTLE of the **SEXES**

Designed as a “booster-shot” to *Compass*, *Battle of the Sexes* is an all-day event for area juniors. Students who attend *Battle of the Sexes* don’t just go to a program; they have an experience of all the senses that challenges them to look at their own lives and ask the hard questions:

Who am I? Where am I going and who am I taking with me?

Original videos, slam poetry, games, The Rant text line, and so much more make this event relevant to students who are hungry for affirmation, love, and a sense of belonging. Over **2,100** students attended these events.



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4U
testing
WHEN YOU NEED TO KNOW

The LifeChoices and 4U Testing medical clinics offer free and confidential services to individuals facing a sexual health crisis, such as an unplanned pregnancy or sexually transmitted infection.

These services include:

- Pregnancy testing
- Information on pregnancy options
- Limited obstetrical ultrasounds
- Early prenatal services
- STI testing and treatment

Each clinic works in conjunction with the Center for Disease Control (CDC) and the Missouri State Health Department to ensure quality care for all clients.

Last year **2,284** individuals were provided with more than 6,950 medical services. Of the clients who were planning to abort or vulnerable to abortion, 96% chose life instead!

Sharing spiritual answers with individuals and families in crisis brings true restoration. In 2012, **1,655** medical clients were receptive to spiritual conversations.



Empowering through medical services



In 2012, LifeChoices was invited to expand services to eastern Jasper County. Due to the help and support of sustaining partners and new friends, the LifeChoices Carthage Clinic was opened on June 25th, 2013. Many lives have already been impacted in Carthage and the surrounding areas.



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In an effort to build strong families within the community, LifeChoices offers a variety of free parenting and life-skills classes:

- **Basic Parenting 101:** Newborn baby care for young or first-time moms and dads
- **Parenting 201:** Provides the building blocks for healthy families
- **24-Hour Cribside Assistance :** Encouragement for dads by dads
- **Meet the Doctor :** Q&A with pediatrician for expectant parents

Gift baskets full of baby-care items are given to new parents after the arrival of their little-one and participants in parenting classes receive vouchers for diapers. Material resources are just one way that LifeChoices can support new parents.

Announcing Project Blueprint!



Project Blueprint is a new initiative designed to engage men as they seek services for their partner or themselves. This program invests in young fathers by providing them the necessary tools to build a strong family. Project Blueprint has proven to be a beneficial asset to completing the holistic mission of LifeChoices.



Equipping families – here and around the world!

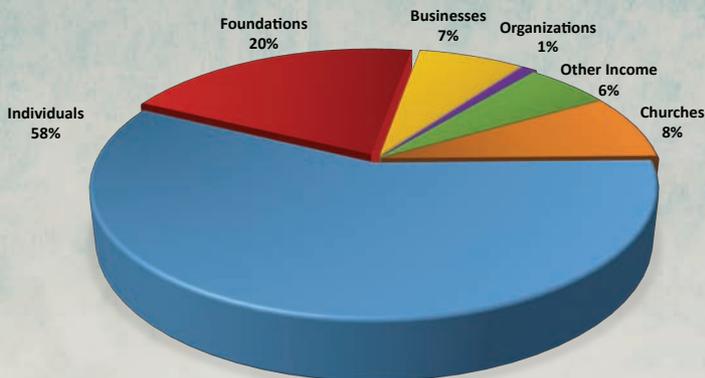
LifeChoices has been equipping other clinics, both nationally and internationally, for many years. In an effort to raise the standard of care, LifeChoices offers the following trainings and resources:

- Training manuals
- Medical brochures
- Adolescent Sexual Health curriculum
- School Community Educator trainings
- STI clinic trainings
- National conference presentations
- Consultations
- Medical webinars

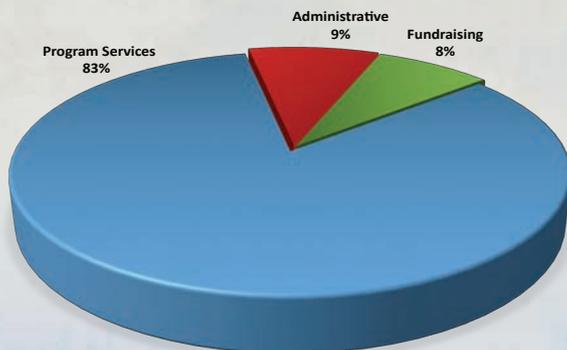
During the past year, LifeChoices has been involved in hands-on training with pregnancy organizations from 14 states impacting 21 clinics across the USA. The Canadian Association of Pregnancy Support Services (CAPSS) identified that the model of a sexual health clinic as offered at LifeChoices in Joplin is the most strategic way to introduce a medical model for pregnancy centers in Canada. Visitors from Canada have come for training in Joplin and staff from LifeChoices have traveled to Canada to encourage and equip them for service.



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