

Birtheright Hutchinson

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Post-Roe is not Pro-Life

One in three women have had an abortion by the age of 35. The post-Roe V. Wade landscape is not changing that statistic for the better. Anyone can buy the morning-after pill at your local Walmart, Walgreens, Dillons, or larger grocery store chains. *page 2*

New Board Members

We are excited to welcome our new Board Members, Paige Wilkens and Scott Tajchman. Paige was recommended by outgoing board member Audrey Hanes. As an expecting mother herself, we are excited to have Paoge on the board to help *page 3*

The Wonders of Mothers

One day, while working at the office, I was visiting with a young lady who was picking out maternity clothes. Throughout the conversation, she asked me how many children I had and if I had a c-section or a natural birth. Her doctor had given her *page 3*



Reaching out through the local Birthing Center

Working in partnership with the Hutchinson Regional Medical Center's Birthing Center, Birthright is reaching more women in the community. One way Birthright helps new moms is with layettes, a basket full of assorted blankets, newborn clothes, diapers, soap, and baby lotion. We have recently begun partnering with the nurses at the Birthing Center, who will provide a layette and information on Birthright and our services to moms who could use the help. At Birthright, we believe that *'you are never alone.'* Partnering with the Birthing Center will help introduce families in our community to our services and offer a little extra support at a time when life can be overwhelming. Whether it is your first or third baby, Birthright is here to help.

In February, Birthright gave out six layettes and one car seat to the Birthing Center, we look forward to our grow our outreach in the community.

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11 am - 2 pm



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Post-Roe Culture Continues To Be Pro-Abortion

This over-the-counter drug is sitting on the shelf for anyone, including young, scared pre-teen and teenage girls, to simply pick up.

Since the Great Depression our culture has been moving to a greater acceptance of birth control. At the time, it was introduced as an economic resource to help small families from falling into deeper poverty with unexpected children. While families may have looked at this new drug as a great resource, years later, its connection to those seeking population control would be discovered. However, birth control would have already been accepted by the majority of culture.

Soon, this drug would be pushed on young women for medical reasons unrelated to pregnancy prevention. Young women suffering from irregular menstrual cycles to acne would be given this wonder drug that helped with everything but cured nothing. Today, the drug is still prescribed for a variety of reasons to both young girls and now boys for the hormonal effects.

As the drug continues to be given to children, researchers are seeing more negative side effects. Two side effects now being discovered in those who have been given the drug at an early age is less brain development and/or depression.

As birth control becomes more available, the need for abortion has also risen. Governor Kelly was just handed two bills, which she promptly vetoed. One was SB 233, aka "Help Not Harm", which would protect children from unnecessary, life-altering surgeries, like genital mutilation for young boys and breast removal for young girls (both completely legal surgeries in Kansas right now). And the second bill was HB 2436 aka "Abortion Coercion", which would criminalize coercing someone to have an abortion.

The Abortion Coercion Bill had the potential to help reduce the 70% of abortions that are coerced, as only 33% of women identified their abortions as wanted. **The majority of women state they would have preferred to give birth if they had received either more emotional support or had more financial security. Countless women suffer in silence under the guise of 'choice' when they never felt like they truly had one.**

The post-Roe America is more pro-abortion than ever. As more women and young girls turn to readily available options that end life, we need to answer that call with the light of Birthright. Birthright volunteers are here to offer emotional support to someone who needs to hear that they can do this! Birthright can be that extra financial support with the needed baby supplies, such as diapers, formula, and clothes. It takes a family to raise a child; Birthright can be that extended family.

If you would like to show someone that they are not alone, consider how you are being called to help support Birthright. There are many different ways to help, including sharing our message with your friends and referring those who need a little extra support to stop by. You can also help by volunteering or financially supporting our cause. Everything we offer is free and given through the support of our generous donors. ***Be a voice for Birthright and, more importantly, for the innocent baby waiting and hoping to be born.***

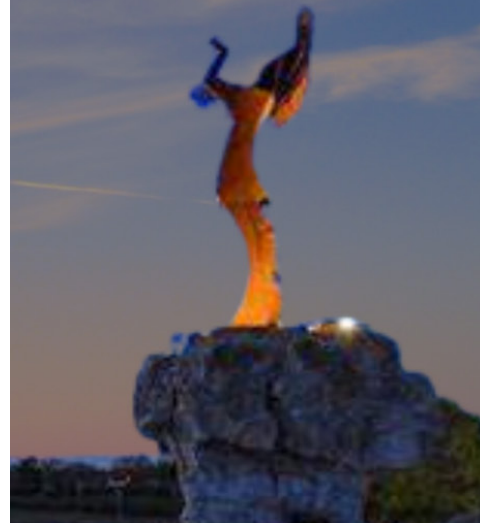
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Kansas abortion providers saw an estimated 4,650 more patients than usual in the first half of 2023, signaling a reshaped post-Roe policy landscape that has sent people traveling across state lines in droves.

That's according to a new study by the Guttmacher Institute, a research group that supports abortion rights.

In Kansas, there was a 114% increase in abortions during the first six months of 2023 when compared with 2020 — one of the largest percentage increases in the country.

It's part of a nationwide trend of significant abortion increases in states close to those that have banned abortion in most cases.





The Wonders of Mother and Human Body During Child Birth.

the choice of choosing which way she wanted to deliver her baby. She wasn't sure but wanted to do what was best for her unborn child.

My first thought was natural birth, but I had a cesarean, and it is safe to say it saved my son's life. He was breach with his foot stuck in the birth canal. So I underwent an emergency c-section and a blessing too. When he was born, the doctor discovered that some of his intestines were in the umbilical cord. He most likely wouldn't have survived a natural birth. A breach baby and a stuck foot were a blessing that day.

This woman's question, however, still made me wonder what is better, a vaginal birth or a c-section.

Babies born vaginally tend to have shorter recovery times compared to those delivered via c-section. (Personal thought here: is that because the baby is already in distress before the c-section.)

During a vaginal delivery, the baby is exposed to the friendly bacteria of the mother in the birth canal. These bacteria colonize the baby's bowel, helping to increase the child's immunity. Babies born via C-section have less opportunity to be exposed to these bacteria.

During a vaginal birth, the baby gets the long, extended squeeze through the birth canal, which isn't just a necessary delivery -- it helps squeeze fluid from the lungs in preparation for the baby to breathe independently after the delivery.

A C-section usually delays breastfeeding. It is important to breastfeed immediately after delivery. Colostrum, the first milk, has these bacterial strains in abundance, which help with immunity. Prolonging breastfeeding doesn't help the milk come in, either.

Something about the vaginal birth process helps dissipate the middle ear fluid, where the baby will pass the hearing test. C-section babies usually pass the test 48 hours after birth.

Vaginal births are statistically less risky for the baby in terms of

complications such as infection, blood loss, and anesthesia-related issues.

For the mother, a vaginal birth can be a more natural and empowering experience. The healing process is quicker and natural.

God sure knew what He was doing when making the human body.

New Board Members

uscontinue reaching out to mothers in new ways. A friend of Birthright recommended Scott due to his pro-life outreach. Scott came with many fresh ideas which the board is excited to implement.

Much gratitude to Audrey Hanes and Toyla Frondorf, who are stepping down from the board. We are grateful to them and their continued involvement and support of Birthright.

Birthright Board Members

Ben Suter, President
Scott Tajchman, Vice President
Terri Lee, Treasurer
Paige Wilkens, Secretary
Ruth Ann Newsum
Holly Thomas



Wish List

Everything Birthright offers is free to our clients, something we can only do with the help of our generous donors. We accept new and gently used items.

Currently, we need these items:

Maternity Clothes - large and extra large sizes, especially pants

Diapers sizes 4 and 5

Round laundry baskets for layette

18-24 months sleepers for boys and girls

Small toys for newborns

Mother's Day Gifts!

Help us celebrate Mother's Day with all our Birthright moms!

We are currently collecting a variety of gift to give to our clients.

Baby Bottle Fundraiser

Birthright will hand out baby bottles on Mother's Day, asking families to take the bottles home to fill with change. The baby bottles and donations will be collected on Father's Day.

**Thank you in advance
for your support!**



Help Us In Our Mission To Support Women **Holly Thomas**

For the past 5 decades we have assisted pregnant women in challenging circumstances. From every walk of life to carry their babies to term with the compassionate, loving care they deserve! With the joyful overturn of Roe vs. Wade, our mission for life is more necessary than ever! We want you, our larger Birthright family, to know that we stand poised and ready to meet the challenges ahead!

As we move into a new day of hope for those growing in their mother's womb, it is our absolute joy to continue to serve unborn babies and their families!

The services offered are free, nonjudgmental and confidential, and available to anyone in need.

We are receiving more phone calls daily from:

- women who need assistance confirming their pregnancy
- moms who need help with unexpected pregnancies
- expectant moms with supply needs (maternity and baby clothes, diapers, etc.)
- and other types of calls which we are absolutely grateful for!

Ways you can help:

- Staff our office by answering phones and/or directing calls as needed to Executive Director
- Client interaction
- Assisting with pregnancy tests
- Delivering supplies (layettes, baby equipment, clothing to moms in need.)
- Providing free pregnancy tests, information on ultrasound, referrals for services (various types of maternal and child support available within our community), free clothing and diapers .
- Newsletter and brochure preparation for mailing.
- Speaking at Third Thursday, schools, parishes and community organizations about Birthright
- Helping with Baby Bottle fundraiser collections
- Coordinating a drive for diaper, baby clothing, new baby equipment
- Generously donate money so we can purchase needed supplies for expectant mothers.

Birthright can not do what we do without the support we receive from our community. We are in this together! This is our community - our daughters, sisters, neighbors, and friends. Unfortunately, many of these young women feel like they have no one who will be there for them. That's where we come in.... and we are looking for more compassionate and non-judgemental volunteers who share our commitment to local expectant mothers. Your help in any of these ways would be appreciated.