

“BLESSED ARE THE MERCIFUL,
FOR THEY SHALL OBTAIN MERCY.”

(MATTHEW 5:7)



OUR FAITH IN ACTION

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Crossroads Clinic Association Program Support

Ashley* was 17 the first time she came with her boyfriend for a pregnancy test. She told her support worker she thought her relationship would be long term. The nurse provided a pregnancy test and it came back negative. The nurse also completed a STI screening and education on the risks of STI's. Three months later, Ashley felt safe enough to come back to Crossroads for another pregnancy test and STI screening. Her relationship had not worked out. She was not in a current relationship. As a team, her nurse and support worker continued to share and talk to Ashley about the risks she was taking with her body and emotions. Ashley continued to come for STI screening every 3-4 month. During these visits, her support worker had many conversations about relationships. Ashley was a romantic at heart and longed for a lasting relationship. The first changes came when Ashley started to say she would like to be abstinent. For two years, Ashley continued to come in for services. The time between partners became less and less and she was learning how to evaluate commitment in her partners. Ashley turned 18, she is now waiting to be sexually active in a long term relationship and finding joy in her life.

Ashley is just one of the young women who walk through the door of Crossroads because they need a pregnancy test or STI screening. For some it is a positive test and they need support in walking through a crisis pregnancy. For some like Ashley, they find relationship support. By creating a safe space to receive services and caring support, women and men are finding healing, help and support to make healthy choices about pregnancy and their sexual health.

In the 6 months since Crossroads has received funding from this grant, the Crossroads team provided services to sixteen women who were considering abortion as the option for their unplanned pregnancies. Seventy six women and men have come for 178 visits to access services and find support in relation to unplanned pregnancy and sexual health.

Thank you for making a difference in the lives of individuals in Brooks and Area.



Nurse Liza and Support Worker Ursula



Crossroads Staff and Volunteers 2016/2017

