

Services Provided through Embracing Options

- Free pregnancy testing and STD screening for men and women
- Education on pregnancy, prenatal care, and alternatives to abortion
- Ongoing peer counseling and godly mentorship for young men and women
- Informational ultrasound for abortion-vulnerable women
- Referrals for medical care, childbirth education, legal assistance, or other needed community services
- Referrals to resources for clothing and furnishings for new mothers and babies
- Referrals for adoption or foster care
- Post-abortion counseling (PACE) for those who are experiencing the trauma of previous abortion(s)

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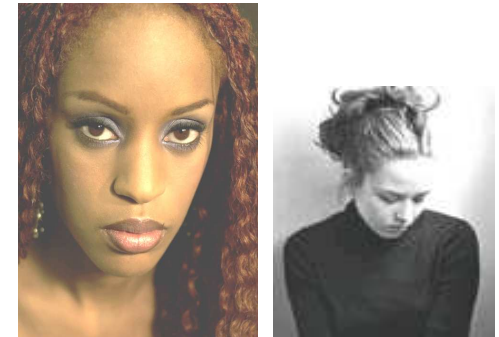
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"Choices for Life"



A member of... **CARE NET**

and a ministry of **His BRANCHES**

24 hour HOT-LINE

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Our Mission

"Embracing Options is an urban outreach of His Branches, Inc. focused on eliminating abortion by providing support to persons in past and present pregnancies, while promoting a culture of life, abstinence, and a moral approach to sexuality through education, reaching out with love and hope, and sharing the gospel of salvation through Jesus Christ."



Embracing Option's first office opened in February 2005 and our second office opened just a few years later. Our vision is to have many such offices surrounding the inner-city of Rochester where the Lord is changing and saving lives **"one person at a time"**.

We are governed by an independent local board of directors and are funded almost exclusively by private donations.



Pregnancy Testing and STD screening

Along with free pregnancy tests, Embracing Options offers self-administered urine sample testing for two of the most common sexually transmitted infections, Chlamydia and Gonorrhea. Why? In recent years our Zip code, 14619, has had the highest reported rates of Gonorrhea nationally. We are already touching many young men and women with education and constructive and life-giving alternatives to promiscuous sexuality by offering this testing.

The ultimate aim of Embracing Options is to share the love and truth of Jesus Christ in both word and deed. As a result, the hearts of women and men are being changed by Christ's love to desire positive and healthy choices. In addition, those struggling with past abortions are finding God's healing and forgiveness.

The Reality of Abortion

Each day, 3,500 women wake up in America believing abortion is the only realistic solution to an unplanned pregnancy.

In this tragic decision, not only is a human life snuffed out, but a woman and her partner's lives are changed forever. Many have worked for years in the legal and public policy spheres to put an end to abortion. Embracing Options however, seeks a more immediate route by supporting people, one at a time, to spare them and their unborn child the sorrow of abortion. While legal efforts will continue for years to come, hundreds of lives are being saved every day in and through the work of Care Net peer counseling centers like Embracing Options.

The Hope of Care Net Counseling Centers like Embracing Options

Care Net and our network of more than 1,100 peer counseling centers offer hope to men and women facing unplanned results of their sexual activity by providing practical help and emotional support.

As an umbrella organization, Care Net seeks to promote, prepare, and plant peer counseling centers across North America.

As TIME magazine says, centers like ours are the "kind, calm, non-judgmental" face of the pro-life movement. Free pregnancy tests, STD screening, peer counseling and support, ultrasounds, abortion information, parenting classes, and material assistance are just some of the many services offered that empower young people to choose life.

Join With Us

Believing our vision and work is compelling, we invite you to learn more about Embracing Options and to support us as we seek to restore hope to those facing unplanned pregnancies and ensure a future for their unborn. Visit our web site at www.embracingoptions.org.

- Please add me to your email prayer team so I may pray for you, your clients, and pro-life work around the world.
- Please contact me with information about how I may become a part of the Embracing Options volunteer team.

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If you desire to financially support this ministry please make your checks payable to:

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