

WINTER 2022

VOICE FOR LIFE

Meet the
NEW DIRECTOR

MENS MINISTRY-
*learn how you
can help fathers
in our area*

**"THIS FACILITY IS
TRULY A BLESSING TO
THE BAY AREA!"**

*hear from a young mom about
her experience*

MEET THE NEW EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Anika Anderson is a local to the area and brings 11 years of ministry experience to the center. She worked in Portugal for the Word of Life ministry, reaching youth for the Gospel of Christ, facilitating leadership development, and partnering with local churches.



Hi! I'm Anika. I grew up in the Ashland area, then moved away for 12 years as I served the Lord in various ways and in many international locations. Though it was outside of my plan, God deemed it time for me to come home to Ashland. It was time to invest in my family and serve my community here.

I moved from Portugal, after serving there for four years, to Ashland in 2021. I got a job, started putting down roots, decided on a home church, and asked the Lord for open doors to serve.

A year after being home I wrote in my journal "...I can quit my job [as the manager of an event center] when God tells me to [with no other job lined up or any idea of what is next] because I know that He will care for me and lead me into the next chapter..." - I stepped out in faith and trusted God when it didn't make sense, and when God made it clear I needed to quit, I did.

Six days later I got a call about the opening here at the center.
18 days later I was offered the job as the Executive Director.
God is so good.

I have been passionate about crisis pregnancy centers and foster care for the last 10 years. But never in my wildest dreams did I think God would be preparing me to serve my community in this way and in this position. I am so humbled to be here, and I look forward to watching as God uses His people to make an eternal impact on our community. Together as one body, let's take a stand for the gospel, work to save the unborn, and restore God's design for family.

- Anika

Executive Director



Volunteer H I G H L I G H T



"I was retiring. That had all kinds of emotional, financial, and time questions in my life. What was this going to mean in my future? I did not believe retirement meant the end of my future, but a realignment of my future. I wanted my realignment to be what my Father in heaven wanted it to be."

Rachel Gabler shared her feelings of wanting to get involved with the center after retiring and feeling like she could use her gifts here.

"I found in the Chequamegon Pregnancy Center the alignment that filled that essential need. God cares about families, babies, and me. I could be trained through the center's education programs in order to serve families, mothers, and babies. I happily expect to be learning for years to come. But I am already using my training to serve.

What could be better!?"

If you're interested in learning more about volunteering at the center, contact info@cpcashland.com.



"The Spirit of God has made me, and the breath of the Almighty gives me life."

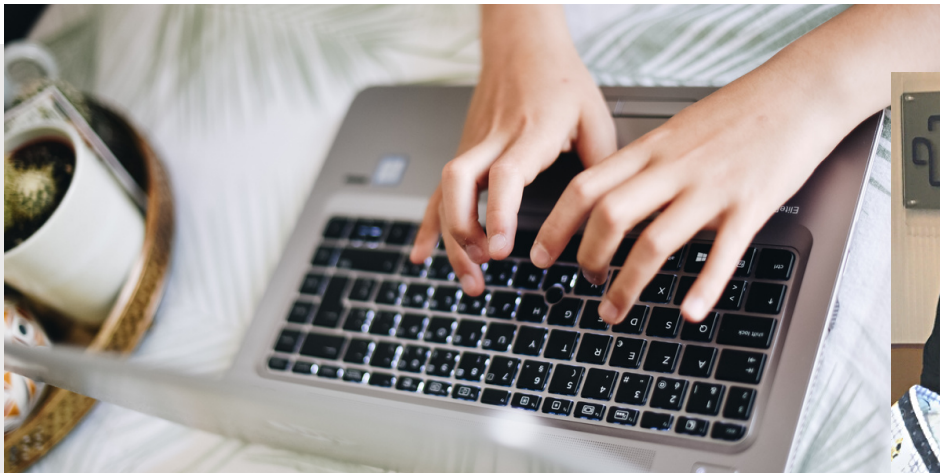
-Job 33:4

This photo of a beautiful baby is of a client who had suffered two miscarriages. She came to the center concerned about this baby, but her doctor assures her all is well.

Please pray for the continued health of this baby and the mother.

The average cost of one ultrasound is \$250 dollars. By sponsoring an ultrasound, you enable us to reach more women and save more babies. Sponsor online at: breathoflifeabc.com/give

Hear how the center is impacting local women



Nataliah, a client at the center, shares how the education courses helped improve her confidence as a new mother.

"The Chequamegon Pregnancy Center is filled with love, care, and passion. If you're pregnant or plan on becoming pregnant, I wholeheartedly recommend this center. They treat you with the utmost respect and welcome you to what feels like a little family. There is no doubt these women love what they do!

They offer super insightful education courses. At first, I was a little hesitant based on the education courses I previously received from other sources. Unlike the standard 'courses', these videos were very easy to follow, not super repetitive, and you feel confident after completing the lessons!

These women will equip you with you so much love, support, education, baby items, & so much more. This facility is truly a blessing to the Bay Area!"

- Nataliah

One of our clients - a voracious learner through the center's parenting program, earned her way through the baby boutique with great items for her new little one!



A NEW MEN'S MINISTRY *at the center*

by David Whitaker

As coaches, and people who care about those who hurt, we often say we lose those with needs through the cracks. One of the people we often lose is the young man who finds himself in an unexpected pregnancy.

Over several decades it's been my passion to see other men rise up to meet the challenge to help these young men. But the challenges are great since they're up against many barriers to keep them from finding help in their situation.

It seems our society has branded the pro-life issue as only pertaining to women, but the father of the child plays such a pivotal role in helping a woman choose life. But oftentimes, men are left out of the picture - even historically with pregnancy centers. But it's time to bring men into the conversation - encouraging them to be great fathers and helping them along the way.

It's been my experience seeing pregnancy resource centers change as they begin to minister to the needs of these fathers. In helping them, they in turn encourage their partners to carry their babies to full term. Ministries to men have changed the face of the pregnancy center to recognize that healing must take place for both the father and mother of the unborn child.

It's my hope, prayer, and desire to see men come alongside the Chequamegon Pregnancy Center and find an opportunity to meet the needs of these young men. If you feel led to help, please contact Pamela Peterson, client advocate at the center, at info@cpcashland.com. We also plan to have a training for men on January 21, 2023. Contact Pamela regarding volunteer orientation and a tour of the center.

-Pastor Dave Whitaker



In the last few weeks, we have seen God move in amazing ways:

- We had 62 total client appointments including six pregnancy tests (four positives).
- 35 lessons given, covering pregnancy education to basic life skills.
- One doctor referred their patient to us for support.
- Six gospel presentations.
- Two abortion-minded women after seeing the baby on the ultrasound, changed their minds to carry.
- One woman was so overwhelmed with life that she was planning to abort. After one session of coaching and seeing how obstacles can be moved and being presented with options and support, she changed her mind to carry.
- Our first volunteer orientation took place on December 6, and 19 people showed up!
- One pregnant high schooler is getting two credits toward graduation through our parenting course.



A prayer for peace...

As we reflect this Christmas season on the birth of our dear Savior Jesus Christ, we pray for peace in the womb. Peace for mothers, for fathers, for babies yearning for life.

There is plenty of turmoil in the world and many pregnancy centers have experienced some of that turmoil through threats and vandalism. Recently our center received a phone threat that has given us pause for re-evaluating our security needs. As a result, we need to change our front door and install better locks. We have restructured our inside security and modified our reception area. A generous donor has given enough to get this project underway, however, we still need \$13,000 to finish the job. **Would you consider giving to that end?**

How to give:

*Online at:
breathoflifeabc.com*

*By check:
PO Box 13
Ashland, WI 54806*

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2023 Vision

Our mission is to “prevent abortion and present eternal truth” with the vision to see “a community where every baby is wanted.”

How do we do that?
In 2023, we're working to better our volunteer and client advocacy programs, educate youth in schools through our Sexual Risk Advance curriculum, and increase our presence in the community, bringing awareness to the love we, because of Jesus, have for each person and our desire to be a helping hand in a hurting world.



Prayer Texts

The center now has a program to allow us to text our donors and volunteers in real-time when a prayer request or need arises.

You can join our prayer team! You'll receive text messages near the time that a client may be coming in for a pregnancy test, ultrasound, or other services, including if someone may be considering abortion.

Call (715) 682-1125 to start receiving these important prayer requests via text.



End-of-Year Giving

Join our monthly financial giving team. We saw God do amazing things in 2022 through the generous donations of many people.

Join the team and together, let's watch God do big things in 2023!

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for more information.*

MEMORIALS



Each newsletter, we honor the beautiful lives of those we've lost, and are so grateful for the legacy of giving they inspired.

We honor them now.


If you're interested in learning more about honoring your loved one through legacy giving, contact director@cpcashland.com.

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"We were blown away by the generosity of the center when we were in need of items for a Ukrainian family coming to Ashland that has a five-month-old baby. They are coming from a war-torn area to Ashland and will be welcomed with beautiful items for their baby. Thank you Chequamegon Pregnancy Center!

- Ukrainian Family Sponsor