#### **Our Services**

Free Pregnancy Tests

Earn While You Learn Education Program

**Next Step Boutique** 

Post Abortion Healing Groups

Memorial Garden

First Step Relationship Education Program

## We Are Open

Tues - Wed - Thurs 11:00 - 5:00 pm Walk-ins Welcome!

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# NextSTEP

Pregnancy and Relationship Center

we'll walk with you

## A Year in Review

## Reflections on 2019

What a year it has been for Next Step PRC! We've transitioned to our team of three directors, changed our name, launched a new relationship program, and started a new annual event. We've met and gotten to know many wonderful new clients, strengthened relationships with current clients, and built partnerships with local organizations. We are growing and thriving as we continue to serve this community - thank you for your continued support. We hope you enjoy this newsletter as we reflect and look back on the final year of this decade.

## **Equipping Students for Success**

First Step Takes off in 2019

First Step (our relationship education program) launched in two schools this year: Cove School District and Grande Ronde Academy in La Grande. Five classes received information tailored specifically to their needs. Some classes focused on decision making and goal setting, others focused on communication skills and recognizing healthy and toxic relationships. The high school classes also learned about topics such as puberty science, STD prevention, abstinence promotion, internet safety, and avoiding pornography, drugs, and alcohol. Learn more about First Step on our website - www.nextstepPRC.com/firststep

# Candles in the Night

## Our First Wave of Light Event

On the night of October 15th, 26 individuals - parents, grandparents, and friends - gathered in the Next Step Memorial Garden to honor babies lost as a result of miscarriage, stillbirth, abortion, or early infant loss. It was a beautiful night of reflection and remembrance as individuals shared their stories, lit candles, and healed together. Next Step is honored to make this an annual event. We invite you to join us next year on as we meet again to remember.



Candles lit in the Memorial Garden during our 2019 event.

## **Next Step Team**

Client Advocates

Receptionists

Post Abortion Healing

Team

**Donation Partners** 

**Donation Care Team** 

**Property Care Team** 

Next Step Board

**Next Step Directors** 

## **Next Step Board**

Steve DeVore: Chairman

Laura Pearson: Treasurer

Vicki Grove: Secretary

Vonda Billman:

Director

Anne Johnson: Member

Irwin Smutz: Member

Tim Gleeson: Member

## Our Purpose

Next Step PRC exists to encourage and equip women and men to build successful families.

We are a religious nonprofit and as such all your contributions, financial or material, are tax-deductible.

If you want to donate online and/or become a monthly supporter, go to nextstepPRC.org and click on "Support Us." We are also registered on Amazon Smile.

# Walking with Eastern Oregon

A Snapshot of the many clients we have served in 2019\*

Client Visits:

351

Pregnancy Tests:

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BOUTIQUE VISITS: 203

Library Book Check-Outs:

Chat Sessions: 75

27

Farn While You Learn Visits:

191

Free Baby Bundle Boxes Given:

24

\*Client statistics through November, 2019

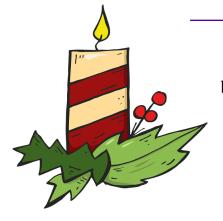
## **Client Voices**

## Testimonials from 2019

"I was so surprised by the lovely atmosphere and welcoming volunteers. They made it so easy to relax... while I learned about pregnancy, childbirth, and breastfeeding. They helped me get set up for my precious girl with clothes, books, diapers, and swaddles. I am so grateful for the role they serve in our community and I recommend them to everyone I can."

"I got more than the help I needed or expected. The Next Step ladies were amazing. They made me feel more than welcome... visiting Next Step improved my situation because I was able to get my daughter things that were needed for her arrival..."

"I'm glad I watched every bit of the videos; it has helped me in so many ways. And I can proudly say I'm the mom I am now just by watching videos and interacting with the ladies at Next Step... they have helped me in so many ways. I would recommend Next Step to anybody I know that is pregnant or even if they already have kids and are struggling."



On behalf of the Next Step PRC board, director team, and volunteers have a wonderful Christmas and a beautiful new year!