



# BIRTHLINE

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## ANOTHER SHORT STORY

Submitted by Claire Wahl  
(not real names)

It was closing time (*to clients*) and just as I was going to lock the front door, a client of many years came to the door and said she HAD to have a pregnancy test right away. I pulled and looked at her file and she had never been abortion minded, so I knew it would not take long to review her information and do the test.

A few minutes into the interview, I realized that she was not only “considering an abortion”, but actually had an appointment to have one the next day. She needed the paperwork confirming that she was in fact pregnant for the abortion clinic. She said they could not afford to have another child even though she and her husband had always hoped to have a girl. She said they were thankful for the four boys God entrusted them with. She reminded me that she didn’t know what they would have done had Birthline not been there in so many ways. Anna’s husband was a hard working husband and she worked part time cleaning homes for people.



After an hour or so of counseling her, I reminded her that she was a believer and she & I knew God was in control. “Who knows, perhaps this baby is the girl you have wanted for so many years?” to which she replied “that would really be something”.

Well, you have already figured out that Anna carried her baby to term, and **YES, she DID have a girl. PRAISE THE LORD!**

Anna has been in for items many times since then, and now and then she reminds me that had it not been for Birthline, her daughter would not be here. This experience reminds me that no matter how many times a client has a pregnancy test and tells us they would never consider an abortion, **NEVER SAY NEVER!**

## SHORT THANK YOU LETTER FROM A CLIENT

*unedited*



I want to thank you for being there for both of my kids. Your mental support & your physical help with the material items was a Great Big Help.

Although our financial status hasn’t improved much all these years, our kids are well-adjusted, happy and understand simplicity & are well loved. We thank you for helping us. People like you helped us from going under completely & losing our kids.

Sadly, this is my last trip on a personal note as I leave the youthful, childbearing years. I’m returning the last of “Baby Stuff” that I will personally never need again. Our youngest is in kindergarten this year. I thank you for loaning me all these items. Want to return things so others can use them during their Babyhood raising years as well.



**A GREAT BIG THANK YOU!**



**WE ARE BUILDING A NEW WEBSITE SO KEEP CHECKING TO SEE WHEN IT IS COMPLETE: [www.birthlinecolorado.org](http://www.birthlinecolorado.org)**

**f** Don't forget to check out our FACEBOOK PAGE.



**STILL NEED VOLUNTEERS**

I am sure you are tired of reading about us needing volunteers. Truth is we are tired of having to always ask as well. We only have 7 volunteers working inside and we need 15-20. Our present volunteers have to work so much harder just to try and get things sorted out so we can help the clients. If you have 4 hours a week or every two weeks, (from 10-2), please call Claire at: 303-832-2858.



**WE NEED 75 PEOPLE TO HELP SORT MORE THAN 8,000 DONATED ITEMS**

**JUST BETWEEN FRIENDS DONATIONS:  
MONDAY APRIL 9, 2018 - FROM 10AM TO 2PM.**

Jimmy John Lunch and bottled water provided.



We only do this twice a year so please jump in and help us.



**SPECIAL THANKS TO ALL WHO PARTICIPATED IN MAKING A WONDERFUL CHRISTMAS FOR OUR CLIENTS AND THEIR CHILDREN.**

We started one month late and so were only able to give out 4,392 gifts.

This is still better than doing nothing for them. You all know who you are and hope you know how much we appreciate all the work you did to bring in so many Christmas toys and new clothes for our families.

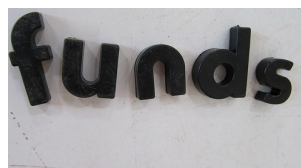


We are celebrating our 48th year and still run with volunteers in lieu of paid staff.

**THANKS TO ALL OF YOU FOR SUPPORTING US OVER THE YEARS.**



**DOES YOUR COMPANY OFFER MATCHING GIFT FUNDS?  
YOU WON'T KNOW UNLESS YOU ASK!**





**2017 STATISTICS Jan. 1 - Dec. 31, 2017**

Income: \$110,534  
Expense: \$110,265  
\$ 269



Regular Client Visits: 248  
RV Clients: 129 mobile visits  
Referral Clients: 2



**FEW Income Details**

Bottle Fundraisers: \$17,982  
Octoberfest: \$1,272.00  
Fill The Bus: \$577.10  
New Donors: \$5,124  
Out of State Donors: \$4,644  
2017 inventory on hand: 82,543 items  
Valued at \$305,294.00



**FEW of the categories we helped with**

diapers: 13,787 layettes: 52 (incl. RV clients)  
baby furniture: 238 maternity: 977  
formula: 109 clothing: 21,387  
Christmas Gifts Given: 4,392  
School Supplies Given: 1,050  
**Grand Total Items Disbursed:**  
41,998 = \$281,544 value  
Volunteer Hours: 2,454.25



None of the above could be done without our dedicated volunteers.

**BIG SHOUT OUT**



**SPECIAL THANKS** to the many supporters who have been with us for so many years as well as new ones who have come onboard.



While our main goal is to save the lives of the unborn, we believe we have an obligation to provide clients with as much information as we can, in hopes they will consider changing their minds and carry their baby to term rather than choosing abortion. What seems to make the most difference to them is hearing about all that we will do for them, not only for their unborn child they are carrying, but also for the children they may already have. We make a strong commitment to them to be there for as long as they need us. It is thanks to all of our supporters that we are able to meet that commitment and sometimes more.

If we did not have the **truly dedicated volunteers** that we have (*only 7 working inside*), **we would not be able to do it.**

If we did not have **the many outside volunteers** who have jumped in and given of their time to help us with various things, **we would not be able to do it.**

If we did not have the **325 (in 2017) financial supporters**, we without a doubt, **would not be able to do it.**

**Not to mention the many that we know keep us in their prayers.**

**AGAIN.... Thanks soooooo much to each and everyone.**





### Can You Help With ANY of The Following Needs?

- ◆ **BOYS & GIRLS GENTLY USED CLOTHES: SIZES 3T (winter & summer)**
- ◆ **BOYS GENTLY USED CLOTHES: SIZES: 5 UP TO 15**
- ◆ **PAPER TOWELS**, liquid hand soap, soft TP & white kitchen bags with ties.
- ◆ **NEW CAR SEATS:** Also need **NEW** cribs or play-pacs.
- ◆ **10+ MORE VOLUNTEERS:** to come in once or twice a month to help sort incoming donations. Mon, Tues, or Wed 10 am to 2 pm. On the job training provided. **CALL CLAIRE @ 303-832-2858**
- \* **GENTLY USED AND/OR NEW SHOES: ALL SIZES, KIDS AND MOMS**

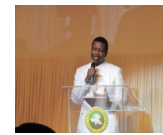


**VOLUNTEER LAWYER:** If you have a heart for what we do and stand for, please consider giving of your time 3 or 4xs a year by attending (in an advisory capacity), our Saturday morning Board of Director's meetings. Meetings usually only last 2 1/2 hrs (9-11:30 am). This is His Ministry! Another Opportunity to Serve Him!



### ALSO SEEKING TWO VOLUNTEER PASTORS

We would appreciate having a **CATHOLIC & PROTESTANT PASTOR** to attend our Board Meetings in an advisory capacity. **Only 4 meetings a yr.** Perhaps you are a retired Pastor?



### **BABY BOTTLE PROGRAM / FUNDRAISER**



Please speak to your church about doing our **Baby Bottle Fundraiser**. It is a very easy program to get going and we can help with the planning of it for Mothers Day? Fathers Day? Respect Life Month? Easter Celebration, Thanksgiving, Christmas or any other reason you can think of.

Call Claire @ 303-832-2858 for information on how to get this started and how it works.

**LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT:** Please consider making mention of us in your Will and/or Trust. Show our name as Birthline Inc. Of Colorado if/when you do.

**CONSIDER DONATING STOCK** We also welcome donations of "**stock**": **Our investment brokerage** for this purpose is USSA, and their customer service # is 1-800-531-8144. Refer to: **RNQ-417213 USSA acc # 013205318** Call us at 303-832-2858 or email for more information. **USSA Acc # 013205318 Corporate ID: 84- 0617038**

**THANKS TO ALL OF YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT AND PRAYERS**

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