

Sometimes so much is unfolding at once that we cannot get it well noted! So we would like to try the nutshell version!

The Crossroads Newsflash will be on our home page 'bulletin board' and when we update it, we will post it on facebook and try to run through email as well. Let us know what you think of this new version, and please, check often!



Crossroads is offering FREE ULTRASOUND!

We are training the medical professionals who will be our Pregnancy Resource Center imagers.

Participants sign a consent & waiver. This is NOT a replacement for obstetric care.

Ultrasound scans would occur at our center in Denison.

Please call us at 712-393-4673 or text to 712-263-9950.

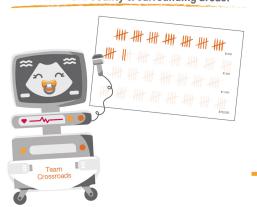
Mention your name, estimated due date, and Monday through Friday availability with your preferred phone number.

Also, we are currently seeking gift basket items to thank all participants.

THANK YOU for sharing in this special time of onboarding ultrasound services at Crossroads!

BE A TALLY!

\$100 from just 150 households helps all of Crawford County & surrounding areas!



We will continue the tally count for as many \$100 helpers as we can raise on RAISING THE ROOF. However, we want to wrap the contest for who can recruit the most helpers. We will identify the lead person who collected the most tallies on the morning of Monday, September 15th. You can still win a \$500 credit at Rasmussen Lumber, donated by Rasmussen Lumber! Simply recruit the most persons who contribute \$100 to Crossroads RAISING THE ROOF PROJECT!



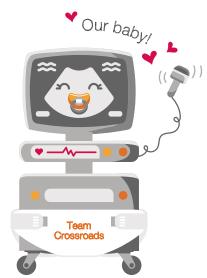
Chicken Dinner September 23rd!

Staley's Chicken Dinner drive through at Crossroads!

Q/A What is going on with the ultrasound program now?

We are blessed & grateful to announce:

Our "baby" is here!



Like a newborn needs nurturing caregivers who provide:

- love
- nourishment
 - protection
 - care

over all the years of childhood.

Crossroads needs to do the same for "its baby" in order to help those who come to us care for their baby!







Your ongoing, gracious help through

• Financial Fueling • Prayerful Support • Practical Assisting

empowers us to

- walk alongside of them in their decisions
- offer practical support
- mentor and equip them for parenthood
- lead them to home building--God's way



The ultrasound machine along with the supplies and auxiliary equipment for performing ultrasound have been generously fundraised by the ambition of

- The Knight of Columbus groups in and surrounding our area
- The National Council of the Knights of Columbus
- Four local Lutheran Church, Missouri Synod congregations plus
- A matching grant by the Life Ministry of the Lutheran Church, Missouri Synod

Phase II Anchoring Donors

have graciously empowered the purchase of building which is the Crossroads' Center. Without their support and encouragement, we could not have begun this project of SERVING LIFE through the Crossroads of Crawford County Ultrasound Campaign.

- Anonymous (a former Crawford County citizen who is passionate for life)
- Jens Carstensen Family Memorial through UCC, Schleswig
- Jim & Marsha Lindstrom
- Kerry & Jill Kirscht
- Gary & Karen Christiansen
- Kathleen Schwarz

What's Next?

Professional Training

Every ultrasound that Crossroads performs needs to be done within the center's medical grade policy in order to gain full respect of being accurate, life-affirming, and "medically correct".

Those performing the ultrasound will be fully trained to offer *limited obstetric ultrasound* AND to respond in Chrisitan encouragement and compassion. We have training scheduled at our center in late September. We have paid for half the fee and will need to pay the other half plus compensate trainee time.

Professional Insuring

A medical model Pregnancy Resource Center is required to insure each of its medical professionals with professional liability. This will be a new expense and in addition to the other general insurances, is important, yet financially daunting.

Payment of the modification loan from when we purchased the building. Property taxes on the rented portion of our building have taken a large hike. Additionally, there have been building improvements we hoped could wait. This slowed payoff. We very much need anchoring funding from those who desire to see our ministry grow by SERVING LIFE.

Crossroads offers education about the developing embryo/fetus/baby while seeking to understand the barriers to confident parenthood, and we stand prepared to partner with them in choosing life and the issues involved in the journey of parenthood. We do not offer, recommend, or refer for abortions or abortifacients or birth control.

Thank you for your prayerful support!

We're blessed to serve community—because you serve us with helping! Here's key ways to bring in the heart of community!

Keep checking, we will change it at least quarterly!"

Here are the top 10 needs at Crossroads at this time:

Pregnant Belly Models—12-15 weeks pregnant at the end of September? It is crucial to the nurses who are training to have pregnant bellies to practice on! We will schedule you!





Items for gift baskets—We would like to treat our moms who come as practice models to a gift basket of local love and appreciation. Please share any item or certificate that they can personally enjoy and know the community is grateful to them.

Meals & refreshments for training week—The intensive ultrasound training week is planned for the last week of September. There will not be time for leisurely lunches, so if you can prepare lunch and refreshments one day for the team (group of 4-9 people) it would be wonderful. (We have a fully functional kitchen and can help toward groceries if desired)





Tally for 'Raising the Roof!'—Necessary roof repairs early this summer dented our budget for Phase II of the Ultrasound Project. 150 folks who will commit \$100 (each a 'tally') means we have it paid for! We have a good ways to go yet. We need to recover from dipping into the established monies for the Ultrasound Program at a time that the additional expenses are high.

Be an ANCHOR—ANCHORING donations in Phase I to the Ultrasound Project ranged from \$5000 to \$30,000. We need those who can continue to ANCHOR in order to provide the center and the service. Each phase of the project includes building modification or loan payments which are just as important as the ultrasound machine itself, as it takes one to have the other.

See our current
Ultrasound Project
brochure and more
explanation on
our website by
scanning these
QR codes*





^{*}Brochure: https://www.crossroadsofcrawfordcounty.org/uploads/CRCC_UltrasoundProject_Brochure_Revised_2025_ONLINE.pdf Flyer: https://www.crossroadsofcrawfordcounty.org/uploads/CRCC_UltrasoundBaby_Flyer_Version02%20July%202025.pdf

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Sparrow's Nest attention—We have the Sparrow's nest Gift area open and many find fun and unique gift items for baby, friends, and family. Two key purposes of the store area is to 1) bring proceeds into the Pregnancy & Parenting Resource Program and 2) encourage our parents in the parenting program with new items at low cost to shop with their "earn-as-learn" points. "We invite a small committee or group to head up the creative restocking and marketing functions so that it does better at BOTH!

Fill the Cradle—We have an antique cradle in the front of our offices to collect items Crossroads needs for its clients or for programs. Currently, we need:

- size 4 & 5 diapers
- boys & girls spring and summer clothing up to size 2 (it's a great time to hit clearance sales!)
- \$20 and \$25 gift cards to local grocery or department stores.



Scrubbing & Painting — Get your grubby work clothes on and take a few hours to help deep clean or paint in the middle area of our building. While it is currently unused, we are making plans!

Middle Area Project Manager— This area is was originally budgeted for in Phase 4 of the Ultrasound Project while we could creatively think on best plan. However, already now, we believe there are great things waiting if we can get it clean and have help to shop bargains for flooring, paint, and TLC. That takes time and a bit of teaming effort we would love to have someone adopt!





Parent groups—We have some prospects for leading parent groups, but they need support people (preparations and planning, invitation, individualized follow up, and potential food/refreshments)

PLUS TWO!

PRAY for Crossroads' sustainability and effectiveness with the future generation of our community! PRAY for the young parents as they build their homes and strive to become effective and nurturing in their parenthood. Prayer groups, households and churches joined in prayer can make all the difference for them!



TELL SOMEONE! We dislike hearing "I never heard of Crossroads." We do realize that Crossroads it is the type of place that may not be appreciated until someone in your family or your close social network NEEDS our service. PLEASE help affirm LIFE and be the reason someone comes to truly consider their options in pregnancy...

...talks through their hardships in an unplanned or difficult pregnancy...

...or ventures into relationship issues beyond the current day and time...

...or includes parents and family in their support network...

...or needs some housing or job search help or reinforcements...

...or receives some practical help like diapers and wipes...

...or learns nurturing parent skills through the earn-as learn program...

...or just has someone to go to when life is heavy.