Community means DOING SOMETHING WHEN WE CAN
Plus Fuel & Empowerment TO BE THERE!

CROSSROADS Pregnancy & Parenting RESOURCE CENTER & ULTRASOUND

Crossroads is at a crucial junction in its journey to becoming PREGNANCY & PARENTING RESOURCE with UTLRASOUND. In our community, all helpers to Crossroads have different skills and resources. That variety is exactly what we want and need from which to make the foundation of Crossroads!

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

. . . URGENT & TIME SENSTIVE . . .

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

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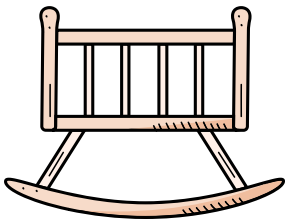
*Brochure: https://www.crossroadsofcrawfordcounty.org/uploads/CRCC_UltrasoundProject_Brochure_Revised_2025_ONLINE.pdf
Flyer: https://www.crossroadsofcrawfordcounty.org/uploads/CRCC_UltrasoundBaby_Flyer_Version02%20July%202025.pdf

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.

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