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Dear Supporter of Choice:

## JOIN THE FIGHT! 40 DAYS FOR SEXUAL AND REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH

September 23<sup>rd</sup> to October 31<sup>st</sup>, 2010

The number of abortion clinics and providers is declining in the United States. We need \$450,000 to expand one clinic and open two new clinics. Ever year, more and more anti-choice legislation continues to harm women everywhere by limiting access. Access to safe, quality abortion care is becoming less available and more difficult for women to obtain. We're ready to fight back. Will you join us?

What better way to fight back than to increase access. The Abortion Access Fund, Inc. will be funding the expansion of sexual and reproductive health services in Bellevue, Nebraska. With your contributions, we will also fund the opening of two new centers, one in South-West Iowa and the other in the D.C. metro area. You will make it possible for each of these centers to provide a wide range of reproductive health services to the women and men of their communities. Also you will make available late second and third trimester abortions to women throughout the country.

Women and men deserve access to affordable, quality health care. Health care offered in a timely and efficient manner, by experienced staff in an unbiased environment. The opening of *The Carhart Centers for Sexual & Reproductive Health* will increase access to a wide range of health care services to women and men in these underserved areas. The Carhart Centers will also address the shortage of abortion providers by offering a full range of abortions plus sexual and reproductive services, including adoption. Each of the centers will have an additional focus on health care for gay, lesbian and transgendered clients, and those affected by HIV/AIDS.

A few of the services we will be offering at the Centers are as follows:

- Sexual and Reproductive education and counseling for women and men,
- Elective surgical abortion for first and second trimester patients,
- Abortion by pill (Medical Abortion),
- Late second and third trimester abortion care when medical indications are present,
- Contraception services & Well Women Care,
- Vasectomy,

- LGBT Services,
- Rapid HIV testing,
- Pregnancy options counseling,
- Adoption services.

Your donation will have an awesome impact in the lives of women. The money raised will be lent to clinic owners as a mortgage to build out and open these Centers. Abortion Clinics and non-profits have always had difficulty borrowing funds from commercial sources. This is certainly true in these days of financial uncertainty. Your funding will allow the centers to open, and the interest these mortgages generate will not be going to buy boats for bankers; rather, we will use it to subsidize abortion care for women in financial need. As the clinics repay the principal it will be again be lent to providers to expand services throughout the country.

I want to again reassure you the \$450,000.00 we need to raise will not only open these centers; but the interest income will fund abortions for women in need. This means your IRS tax deductible donation will continue to benefit women every year. Keeping choice available women is essential. But, what good is choice without access? A woman's rights shouldn't depend on her wallet.

September 22<sup>nd</sup> to October 31<sup>st</sup> has been chosen by the anti's to end abortion. They have named it "40 days for life". This is a war! The anti's want to make all abortions illegal or at least unavailable. Let us use these same 40 DAYS, rename them "40 DAYS FOR SEXUAL AND REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH" and open three new centers to improve the health and lives of women and their families.

We need you to become a warrior. We need you to encourage your friends, relatives, co-workers, church, community groups, and pro-choice friends throughout the country to come together and fight back! Please donate as much as you can. Then **each of these 40 days** please copy this letter and pass it on to as many friends as possible encouraging them to do the same. We need to show the politicians and the media that there is a PRO CHOICE VOICE in America, we VOTE and our FIGHT FOR WOMEN'S RIGHTS has only just begun.

I know you receive solicitations for donations all the time, and with this economy I know it's difficult to come up with extra money to give. Any sized gift will help, whether it is \$5 or \$5,000, every dollar will help open doors for women. Every donation is tax deductible.

Enclosed is an envelope if you'd like to return a check, or feel free to make a donation online at and donate via PayPal. Checks should be made payable to or the You can also give us a call and make your donation via credit card over the phone.

Thank you for your continued support. We can make this happen. We must make this happen. Make choice possible today!

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