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Addison's Story: Holistic Care at Mosaic

Providing comprehensive care that addresses all barriers to life decisions is a monumental effort—but it's what truly saves lives. Often, women who come to Mosaic are battling complex situations that require more than just a medical appointment.

Addison was no exception. She is a Christian and was attending college to be an ultrasound technician when she found out she was pregnant. Her best friend was healing from a recent abortion—Addison had seen that pain firsthand. "My first thought when I saw the positive pregnancy test was that I should go to church," she even admitted to her counselor.

But despite all this, she still scheduled an abortion.

Addison had grown up raising her brothers; the idea of being a parent again so soon was scary. The financial burden of a child seemed insurmountable, not to mention that Addison had no one around to support her. Even after the ultrasound—getting to see her baby and the heartbeat on the screen—she was still undecided.

Addison's counselor talked to her about the options of adoption or parenting, and how Mosaic would guide her through each one with community referrals and resources. Our GPS (Genesis Parenting Support) program would support her emotionally and physically through her pregnancy and into parenthood with educational classes and resources for her baby. She'd have access to a community of resources coming together to remove barriers to choosing life.

Addison left her appointment speechless, surprised that so much could be available to her from people who didn't even know her. When she returned to Mosaic, she admitted she was beginning to feel the physical symptoms of her pregnancy. She couldn't deny that there was a life inside her, healthy and strong—Addison chose life!

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Having her physical, emotional, and spiritual needs addressed gave Addison clarity that seeing the positive pregnancy test was evidence of how close Jesus was in her heart, no matter her circumstances. The peace and calm she felt at Mosaic could be her new reality. Together, we take heart in the knowledge that God has saved thousands of preborn lives in the past, and He won't stop now.



From Our CEO Niki Mattson



Niki Mattson, CEO

As we celebrate Mosaic Virginia's 30th anniversary, we thank all of you who have walked alongside us to defend the lives of preborn babies and to spare moms and dads from abortion. Thirty years ago, Mosaic was a very different place, yet our core values remain the same: to provide compassionate, life-affirming care with the love of Christ and to invite others into His saving grace.

Today, we continue this mission with a comprehensive and holistic approach to care

for women and families. In this newsletter, we've included stories that illustrate this wrap-around care and the way God uses Mosaic and our community to help those in need. On the next page, you can see a beautiful graphic depicting the journey we pray all of our clients will take, where they choose life for their babies, eternal life with Christ for themselves, and where they become part of a local church community.

Mosaic continues to grow and for the first half of 2024, we have seen growth in every program, and a 58% increase in the number of people served. With God's grace, we've reached 40% more abortion minded women than at this point last year, and of those, an astounding 81% more have chosen life this year! Every week, as we meet with new clients and follow up with those who were seen recently, we get to rejoice over more decisions for life. Our men's ministry continues to grow with 8 male mentors who have served an increase of 83% more fathers.

Probably the most significant testament to the care provided by Mosaic Virginia is in our abortion recovery program. In the current class, every one of the women attending was a previous client who came to Mosaic and still chose abortion. The fact that they felt loved and cared for enough to come back for abortion recovery healing reveals the truth about the care we provide and I couldn't be more grateful to serve with this amazing team.

Thank you for your prayers, gifts, and volunteer hours to this ministry. God is using every act of service for His Glory, and we all have a front row seat.

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2024 Mid-Year Stats:

421 UNIQUE CLIENTS WERE SERVED SO FAR THIS YEAR.

40% MORE
ABORTION MINDED
WOMEN WERE
REACHED.

160 FAMILIES ENROLLED IN GPS PARENTING PROGRAM.

99% APPROVAL RATING FROM OUR CLIENTS.



Our Programs: Mosaic's Holistic Approach to Care



Mosaic's Mission for 30 Years

Mosaic Virginia offers hope and help for people to make informed decisions about the sanctity of human life, faith in Jesus Christ, and sexual integrity, in a loving and confidential manner.

Mosaic Virginia envisions a culture where all life is cherished and there is no more abortion.

Mosaic Locations







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A Heart to Serve: A Conversation with the Blanc Family

We talked with board member, Boodi Blanc, his wife, Karyn, and their daughters, Renee and Ana, about their involvement with Mosaic Virginia.

What first led you to Mosaic Virginia?

Boodi: We have a tremendous passion for Mosaic. We fell in love with the ministry because of the people and the care and love they show each client. The results are inarguable and remarkable with literal physical and spiritual lives saved. Nothing could be more important.

Karyn: We were pregnant with our first child and I was taking a pregnancy exercise class. Daily, there was a nun with a sign against abortion, outside on the corner of the studio building. Little did I know, there was an abortion clinic right next to the studio I attended. Immediately, the Lord moved in our hearts regarding the pro-life movement. We looked for a place to support and a local church recommended Mosaic. Because of the love of the people and what Mosaic does for their clients, we knew it was exactly the place we desired to serve.

Renee: Each member of my family has a different motivation for being involved, but mine personally is: I have always loved little ones - babies in particular. I love what this ministry does because it fights for pro-life without hesitation. In this fallen world, it is so important that Christ's Light shines through us: Mosaic's ministry does that.

Ana: I love volunteering with Mosaic because I get to feel happy that I may be saving a child from being cold by giving them clothes or making them blankets. It's amazing the work they do. I'm glad they help women in need.

What inspires you to stay involved?

Karyn: The Lord consistently reminds us that each one of these babies is crafted as a perfect poem, created specifically as a part of His plan and purpose. The entire Mosaic team devotes more than anyone could ever realize. Stepping inside those doors, and becoming a part of their work, Mosaic inspires us to continue helping, offering, donating...whatever the need is

Renee: I love how they encourage terrified mothers and even fathers. They don't judge, no matter the circumstances, and they stick with the mother/father until they are ready to take on parenting for themselves. The support they show is not a common thing and is very special and important in these situations and times.

Ana: They really help the community by encouraging, giving, and hosting great baby showers!

What would you say to someone considering getting involved with this mission?

Karyn: There is such a wide variety of areas to learn about within this ministry, and each one of us is called to return to the Lord what we have



been gifted. Mosaic is the place where you will receive so much more filling in your heart than those you serve. You cannot out-give God.

Renee: Definitely get into it! Start getting involved. You won't regret it. Once you witness the strength of encouragement that helps mothers decide life or death, you will be starstruck and in awe of the power God has in this ministry.

Ana: It's a great choice. We're glad that you would choose to involve yourself in the saving-lives community.

Boodi: I would encourage everyone to learn more about this mission. Come talk with any of us who serve on the board or schedule a visit at a center. You will find everyone so welcoming and friendly and of course professional. I can't think of anything - quite literally - that you could better spend your time and money on than supporting Mosaic Virginia and this mission.



Pro-Love Wins: Natalia's Story

Natalia had always dreamed of having children and a family, just not this way.

She was stuck in an unhealthy long-term relationship—she and her boyfriend kept breaking things off, only to get back together. When she discovered she was pregnant, she didn't know who the father was.

Natalia was convinced that if her boyfriend was the father, she needed to get an abortion. He was verbally abusive and she couldn't imagine being tied to him with a child.

Natalia shared with her Mosaic advocate counselor that she grew up in the church but had since fallen away from God. She even admitted that she thought her conscience was telling her she'd regret an abortion. But she just couldn't imagine another option.

This was where Mosaic's community-based resources came in, surrounding and supporting Natalia in every aspect of her life. Above all, she needed community, people to speak truth into her circumstances. In no time, Mosaic connected her to a Bridge Community—a group of Christian women eager to walk alongside her, understand, and support her.

Through Bible studies, friendship, and Godly counsel offered by her Bridge Community, Natalia has been flourishing. She chose life because she saw that her worth—and her baby's—only hinged from what God dictated about her value, and not from any other external circumstances. She's learning to believe the truth about herself and develop healthy relationships. And most of all, Natalia is seeing that this pregnancy was God telling her He will never leave or forsake her or her baby.





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Meet Virginia Max, Director of Our Newest Program, Mosaic House

How are you called to lead Mosaic House?

I am passionate about motherhood and the role it plays in supporting God's plan for human flourishing both for individuals as well as society. God used a mother to help bring about his plan of salvation for us. Motherhood is a blessed and beautiful role that is often undervalued in our culture today. Raising godly children who go on to share the love of Christ with others is a way mothers change the world. As Psalm 127:3 says, "No doubt about it: children are a gift from the Lord; the fruit of the womb is a divine reward."

When we encourage expectant mothers, experiencing planned and unplanned pregnancies, we join God in work that is near to His heart. He has made it known in scripture that every unborn child has been created by Him and planned by Him no matter the circumstances surrounding the pregnancy.

What is the most impactful way Mosaic House serves the community?

At Mosaic House we have the blessing and privilege to come alongside mothers who are making the choice to carry their babies to term and celebrate the blessing of life that was ordained by God from the beginning of time. Not only do we offer a safe place to reside during pregnancy and the early months of the newborn's life, but we also walk in relationship with moms as they navigate their next steps in reaching the goals they have for themselves and their child.

What impact have you experienced by Mosaic House clients?

I am continually humbled and deeply moved by the determination of Mosaic House moms to provide a good life for their child despite the challenges they face, among them being homelessness. Many of us, facing the obstacles that Mosaic House moms face, would fall into despair and defeat. Mosaic House moms persevere because of their pregnancy and the inner sense of doing what is right for their child despite their own past or their current situation.

We know as believers that this is the law written on our hearts. Romans 2:15 states, "They show that the work of the law is written on their hearts, while their conscience also bears witness, and their conflicting thoughts accuse or even excuse them." I've noticed that this seems to be uniquely emphasized in the hearts of pregnant moms. There is something beautiful and sacred that occurs when a mom is entrusted with the life of their unborn child.

What are Mosaic House's greatest needs?

Due to the obstacles and challenges Mosaic House moms face we have a need for effective, biblical, and godly counseling for our moms so they can experience freedom from their wounds from the past and to learn healthy ways of living and relating. We also need help with providing for their basic needs (food, clothing, shelter, transportation) while living here, which can get quite costly.

All Mosaic House moms are required to work or be seeking employment but there is a period during pregnancy and post delivery that the moms cannot work, and they do not have stable benefits that cover their living expenses during that time. So, monies for a benevolent fund for their needs is a very real and ever-present need



Virginia Max, Mosaic House Director

When I pick up a mom to move into Mosaic House, she often comes from a

shelter or from the street and has very little, if anything, in the way of money or possessions. We are starting over from scratch, so all the basic needs are there.

Join Our Legacy Team

Please prayerfully consider becoming a monthly partner and help sustain this work all year long. Partner with us to save babies, moms, and dads from the heartbreak of abortion.

Ways to Give:

- Give online at MosaicFriends.org.
- Give through the mail.
- Authorize a monthly credit card charge.
- Authorize a monthly deduction from your bank account.



What our clients say about the care they receive at Mosaic Virginia:

"They are very good people."

"The staff was extremely friendly, caring, and kind!"

"Since money is a major concern, the fact the services were free was very relieving."

"These are people who treat you well."

"The best was knowing I can trust amazing people there!"

Prayer Requests

- Pray for our team to be led by the Holy Spirit in every appointment
- Pray for the Gospel to go forth, for soft hearts to receive it, and for more salvations
- Pray for unity, protection, and health of our team and ministry

Center Needs:

SPANISH SPEAKERS: Spanish speaking volunteers are needed at our Mosaic Herndon and Mosaic Lansdowne locations. Please email Anna at <u>alowe@mosaic-virginia.org</u> if you would like to help.

BABY BOUTIQUE: With over 160 families in our GPS parenting program, the boutiques need constant replenishing to help those in need. Our biggest needs are:

- Diapers larger sized
- Fall/Winter clothing Newborn to 3T
- Bassinets
- Car Seats

Are you struggling from an ABORTION DECISION?
You are not alone. Abortion can affect a woman physically, emotionally, and spiritually. Join us as we walk together towards healing and renewal.

Abortion Recovery and Healing Class
Free, Confidential, and Non-Judgmental
Next Class: September 11, 2024

Mosaic Virginia invites you to join other women who have been forgiven and set free. Our Abortion Recovery and Healing Class provides support and encouragement as women work though the challenges and personal issues of abortion.

Contact Mosaic Virginia for more information 703-729-1123 par@mosaic-virginia.org

Mosaic Virginia pregnancy centers and Mosaic House are a non-profit organization and recognized as a 501(c)(3) by the IRS. We are members of ECFA, submitting to high standards of accountability, and we are rated a 4-Star charity by Charity Navigator.





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UPCOMING MOSAIC EVENTS:

September 12TH - IMAGO DEI Pastor Conference October 24TH - Mosaic 30th Anniversary Gala

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MOSAIC GALA CELEBRATING 30 YEARS

Thursday, October 24, 2024 • 6 PM-9 PM
Hyatt Regency Dulles
2300 Dulles Corner Blvd, Herndon, VA 20171



Featuring Lila Rose, Live Action President



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Speak up for those who can't speak for themselves. Proverbs 31:8