



What would we say to a friend or family member facing an unplanned pregnancy in a difficult circumstance?

Wouldn't our first response be to support her- whatever it takes?

To offer all the help we can so that she would choose life?

Supporting women and families to choose life is a choice we *all* can make.

Facing an unplanned pregnancy can mean a woman is facing a serious crisis. Sympathy and short term offers of baby clothes and diapers are comforting, but not a real answer.

She needs *real help*.

Health care for a strong mother and healthy baby. **Education** - not only well-run preschools but also higher education plans that offer support to mothers - and fathers - who have dreams of supporting themselves and making their own contribution to our economy. **Child care programs** that respond to the needs of working families.

We could make this happen.

Making the choice for life possible is a choice we can **all** make.

And it's a choice **Barack Obama** has already made, as he calls us to "*be our brothers' and sisters' keepers*," to join together to help women in difficult situations make the choice for life by providing pre- and postnatal care, income support, parent training and caring adoption programs.

We need a **systemic, common ground, common sense** approach. Nearly two-thirds of women who have abortions are poor. Almost half are college-age or younger. Two thirds are single.

We can **drastically reduce abortions** by helping reduce unplanned pregnancies and supporting pregnant women and families that need help.

Senator Barack Obama will fight to make sure that **every woman in America** has the support she needs when facing an unplanned pregnancy. Senator Obama's **grass-roots, faith-based approach** of support for women and families will help them when they most need it, preventing abortions by supporting women and families to choose life.

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