

# Heather Gardner

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Heather Gardner is currently the Executive Director of the Central Texas Coalition for Life, an organization dedicated to helping women in crisis pregnancies find loving alternatives to abortion.

Previously, she served as the Director of Communications for the Brazos Valley Coalition for Life in Bryan, Texas, birth place of 40 Days for Life and where former Planned Parenthood director, Abby Johnson, had her conversion.

Heather received degrees in Sociology and Vocal Performance at Texas A&M University. Heather's service for the Coalition for Life includes recruiting and training "Stand and Pray" volunteers and Sidewalk Counselors, coordinating church and community outreach, and interacting with the team of leaders who help coordinate the 40 Days for Life prayer campaigns.

Over the last four years, Heather has trained over 1,100 volunteers (locally and nationally) to be Sidewalk Counselors, including in the states of Texas, Kansas, Washington, Pennsylvania, Nebraska and New Mexico. She has also trained more than 300 volunteers to be pregnancy resource center counselors. Heather spends regular time on the sidewalks outside abortion facilities reaching out to women and men, and praying for an end to abortion.