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### **Sierra Grant awarded to the Bakersfield Pregnancy Center**

**Porterville, CA** —Bank of the Sierra is pleased to announce a Sierra Grant in the amount of \$1,500 has been awarded to the Bakersfield Pregnancy Center. The center has served Bakersfield for over 25 years, and currently assists over 1500 clients per year. The grant funds will be used to purchase counseling resource materials. Literature is one of the most important components of the Bakersfield Pregnancy's Center's services to its clients. The center is unique in its ability to provide all services free of charge, without proof of income or insurance, in a confidential and professional atmosphere.

The Sierra Grant Program is designed to improve the quality of life for the families, especially the children, who reflect the diversity within Bank of the Sierra branch communities. The Sierra Grant Program is focused on three areas: community services, park preservation, and education. Anyone involved in a non-profit program that is interested in a Sierra Grant can pick up an instructional brochure at any Bank of the Sierra branch, or visit the bank web site at [www.bankofthesierra.com](http://www.bankofthesierra.com).

#### **About Bank of the Sierra**

With over \$1.3 billion in assets and strong performance ratios, Bank of the Sierra is the largest independently owned community bank headquartered in Southern San Joaquin Valley's Heartland. The bank serves 17 different communities with 25 branches, two Ag Centers and one SBA Center. For more information visit the web site at [www.bankofthesierra.com](http://www.bankofthesierra.com) or call (888) 454-BANK.

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