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- victims of violence
- crisis pregnancies
- the sexually confused and broken
- those single or single again
- the elderly, impoverished, lonely, and outcast

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