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The Life Launch program is contingent upon the cultivation of healthy, safe relationships between young adults and members of the local Church. Becky Corbin has a personal understanding of the value of these relationships, as she has relied heavily on the support of mentoring and discipleship relationships through higher education and her transition into the professional world. Her love of community and desire to serve others are well matched by her role as Program Manager for Life Launch Oklahoma City, where she has been able to dig into both her developed skillsets in church ministry and her passion for social work through youth services. She has been a part of the Stand in the Gap team since May, 2018.

Becky grew up in Tulsa, and was raised thoroughly Baptist. Her upbringing and involvement in Church helped to prepare her for work within a parachurch ministry. Her faith's intersection with her education grew her desire to see the Church step into hard spaces and serve the hurting and outcast. In her undergraduate studies at Oklahoma State University, she developed the ability to understand multifaceted identities and the complex effects of broken social systems. She graduated after four years with an honors degree in Applied Sociology/Social Services, a dual degree in Spanish, and a minor in Religious Studies. These degrees grew her empathy for people from hard places, and she used her time in Stillwater to work, volunteer, and intern for various ministries, organizations, and social service institutions. As a result of her work both within Oklahoma and abroad, she has experience working with members and leaders of the Church, adults with disabilities, international students, young adults in the foster care system, children and families living along the border of Mexico, Nicaraguans living in deep poverty, the food insecure, middle school and high school students, and people facing homelessness. During her senior year of college, she completed her Honors Thesis titled Food Insecurity and Volunteerism in a College Town, in which she unpacked the value of social capital in a local Food and Resource Center run by the community, for the community. This research project affirmed her desire to cultivate restorative and meaningful relationships between those in need and those with the ability to help.

Becky is a natural people-person and leader. The 9-years she spent in Girl Scouts were the catalyst, but her leadership skills were further developed by her roles within multiple clubs and organizations, as she balanced student life with the responsibilities of being the President of both the Sociology and Spanish Honors Societies, Vice President or Student United Way, Edification Chair for Sigma Phi Lambda, a member of the launch team for a local church plant, and a leader within multiple student led ministries. Becky's love for both nonprofits and meetings over coffee began with her job as the Assistant Manager of a nonprofit coffee shop in Stillwater. It was in this position that she developed her ability to organize and train volunteers, as well as understand the infrastructure of a nonprofit ministry. All of these affiliations helped to develop her passion for connecting people, as well as her desire to see people and communities holistically thrive.