

Profiles of 15 Leading Anti-Choice Organizations

**American Life League • Americans United for Life • Christian Coalition
Concerned Women for America • Eagle Forum • Family Research Council
Feminists for Life of America • Focus on the Family • Human Life International
Life Dynamics Incorporated • Missionaries to the Preborn • National Right to Life Committee
Operation Save America • Pro-Life Action League • STOPP**

American Life League (ALL)

**P.O. Box 1350
Stafford, VA 22555
(540) 659-4171
www.all.org**

Annual Income for Fiscal Year 2003 — \$7,365,884

History

Founded on April 1, 1979, by five families, including that of the current president, Judie Brown. Brown had previously worked for the National Right to Life Committee (NRLC). When the NRLC president was forced from office, Brown organized ALL with the financial support of a contact from NRLC.

Leadership

Judie Brown, president and founder. A practicing Catholic, she is married to Paul A. Brown. They have been involved in the anti-choice movement since 1969.

Tax-exempt category

501(c)(3)

ALL is opposed to

abortion
cloning
comprehensive,
medically accurate
sexuality education
contraception
federal funding for
family planning
fetal tissue/stem cell
research
homosexuality

international family
planning
living wills
organ donation
Planned Parenthood and
the International Planned
Parenthood Federation
(IPPF)
reproductive technology —
artificial insemination
and in vitro fertilization
right to die
welfare reform

ALL supports

abortion bans
abstinence until marriage
fasting
Human Life Amendment

natural family planning
within marriage
parental notification
laws

Methodology

conventions/meetings —
 training sessions and
 seminars
 crisis pregnancy
 counseling/centers
 frivolous malpractice suits
 against abortion providers
 harassment and intimidation
 of clinic clients and
 employees
 leafleting students with
 misinformation and other
 anti-choice propaganda
 litigation — ALL challenged
 the Freedom of Access to
 Clinic Entrances Act (FACE)
 on First Amendment
 grounds, but lost its suit
 lobbying
 outreach programs for
 youth
 prayer and worship
 demonstrations

campaigns — ALL
 falsely claims that
 emergency
 contraception, the
 Pill, Depo-Provera,
 and Norplant are
 unsafe
 abortifacients
 and abortion causes
 breast cancer and
 severe
 psychological
 trauma
 publications — *All
 Good News*
 (bimonthly
 newsletter),
Celebrate Life
 (bimonthly
 magazine),
Communiqué
 (periodic
 newsletter),
Reality Check
 (monthly newsletter)
 “sidewalk counseling”
 — harassment of
 clients at women’s
 health clinics
 speakers’ bureau

ALL also has several divisions that work to further their anti-choice mission, including

- **American Bioethics Advisory Commission** evaluates biomedical technology. It has deemed in vitro fertilization, cloning, and stem cell and fetal tissue research “unethical” based on anti-choice ideology.

- **Dentists for Life** is a group that mobilizes dentists to fight against the continued legalization and availability of abortion. All members vow to organize at least one protest or other anti-choice activity in their community.
- **Rachel’s Vineyard** is a program that holds retreats for women and men to deal with the alleged shame and fear of abortion.
- **STOPP (Stop Planned Parenthood)**, led by Jim Sedlak, is devoted solely to opposing the programs, services, and presence of Planned Parenthood in communities nationwide.
- **Why Life?** is the youth outreach division of ALL. Some of its activities include protesting clinics, disseminating misinformation brochures, and boycotting pro-choice businesses and rock bands. It also includes **Rock for Life**, which uses music and the promotion of anti-choice bands to promote its mission.
- **World Life League**, led by Mark DeYoung, which works to limit women’s access to abortion worldwide by supporting anti-choice organizations in other countries and by seeking to influence international policy by lobbying the United Nations.

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Americans United for Life (AUL)
310 South Peoria Street, Suite 300
Chicago, IL 60607-3534
(312) 492-7234
www.unitedforlife.org
Annual Income for Fiscal Year 2003 — \$969,628

History

AUL was founded in 1971, making it America's oldest anti-abortion organization.

Leadership

Peter A. Samuelson, president

Tax-exempt category

501(c)(3)

AUL is opposed to

abortion

right to die

AUL supports

abortion bans
 mandatory waiting
 periods for women
 seeking abortions
 parental notification
 laws
 prohibition of funding
 for abortion for
 Medicaid recipients
 restrictive, unnecessary
 regulations on abortion
 clinics that
 place great financial
 strains on clinics

"Right to Know" laws that
 push alternatives to abortion
 on women with anti-choice
 misinformation about the
 alleged physical and
 psychological risks of the
 procedure
 Unborn Victims of Violence
 Act, which would make it a
 federal crime to harm a fetus
 in the process of committing
 any of 68 federal crimes
 (because the language of
 the act is broad and vague,
 it could be used to
 threaten access to abortion)

Methodology

conventions/meetings
 — the "AUL Legislators
 Educational Confer-
 ence" was held to
 promote anti-choice
 messages to state
 and national leaders
 litigation — AUL has filed
amicus curae briefs in
 nearly all abortion
 cases that have come
 before the U.S.
 Supreme Court, as
 well as many other
 abortion cases
 around the country

lobbying and legislation
 — AUL has a 50-state
 network of anti-choice
 legislators who draft bills
 designed to whittle away
 at the rights guaranteed
 to women under *Roe v.*
Wade
 public misinformation
 campaigns
 — AUL falsely claims that
 abortion causes breast
 cancer
 publications — *AUL Forum*
 (newsletter) and *Abortion and*
the Constitution: Reversing
Roe v. Wade Through the
Courts (book)

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 Ann Arbor, MI: Economics America, Inc.

Christian Coalition
1801-L Sara Drive
Chesapeake, VA 23320
(757) 424-2630
www.cc.org

Annual Income as of 2004 — \$11,404,613

History

Founded in 1989 by the Reverend Pat Robertson. Televangelist and ordained Southern Baptist minister, Robertson is also the founder and chairman of the Christian Broadcast Network (CBN).

Leadership

Roberta Combs, president

Tax-exempt category

The Christian Coalition of America holds a 501(c)(4) tax-exempt status, and the Christian Coalition International is a not-for-profit, taxable organization.

Christian Coalition is opposed to

abortion	National Endowment for the Arts (NEA)
Buddhism	New Age
campaign finance reform	Planned Parenthood and the International Planned Parenthood Federation (IPPF)
comprehensive, medically accurate sexuality education	pornography
feminism	separation of church and state
Hinduism	
homosexuality	
legalized gambling	

Christian Coalition supports

abortion bans	theocracy — one of Robertson's strategic goals is the establishment of a "Christian Nation"
abstinence until marriage	
home schooling	
school prayer	

Methodology

action alerts, "get-out-the-vote" mailings, and phone calls	lobbying publications — <i>Christian American</i> (bimonthly newsletter)
conventions/meetings — activist training seminars and conferences	voter guides and scorecards promoting conservative candidates

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Concerned Women for America (CWA)
1015 Fifteenth Street N.W., Suite 1100
Washington, DC 20005
(202) 488-7000
www.cwfa.org

Annual Income for Fiscal Year 2003 — \$11,383,635

History

Founded by Beverly LaHaye in 1979 to counter the activities of the National Organization for Women (NOW), particularly NOW's support for the passage of the Equal Rights Amendment (ERA), and to promote traditional, Judeo-Christian values. LaHaye dropped out of Christian fundamentalist Bob Jones University to marry Rev. Tim LaHaye, co-founder of the Moral Majority. LaHaye currently hosts a daily, syndicated, radio talk show, *Beverly LaHaye Today*.

Leadership

Sandy Rios, president

Tax-exempt category

501(c)(3)

CWA is opposed to

<p>abortion atheism Beijing+5/ Cairo+5 (women's rights conferences and declarations) comprehensive, medically accurate sexuality education drug and alcohol education equal pay for equal work legislation Equal Rights Amendment (ERA) federal funding for child care feminism fetal tissue/stem cell research gays in the military hate crime legislation homosexuality insurance coverage of contraception</p>	<p>international family planning Medicare National Endowment for the Arts (NEA) Planned Parenthood and the International Planned Parenthood Federation (IPPF) right to die separation of church and state teacher unions Title X U.N. Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women (CEDAW) United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) universal health care women serving in the military</p>
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CWA supports

<p>abortion bans abstinence until marriage abstinence-only sexuality education creationism higher defense spending home schooling Nicaraguan contras</p>	<p>Outcome Based Education and other nontraditional educational experiments parental notification laws privatization of Social Security school prayer state reporting of names of people with HIV to federal agencies</p>
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Methodology

<p>action alerts conventions/meetings — annual conference crisis pregnancy counseling/centers grassroots organizing lobbying — Concerned Women for America Legislative Action Committee, a 501(c)(4) organization (annual income — \$884,117) public misinformation campaigns — CWA falsely claims that</p>	<p>abortion causes breast cancer and severe psychological trauma, and the IUD, Norplant, Depo-Provera, and the Pill are abortifacients publications — <i>Family Voice</i> (11/year magazine) radio and television programming "think-tank": the Beverly LaHaye Institute (BLI): A Center for Studies in Women's Issues voter registration drives</p>
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Eagle Forum
P.O. Box 618
Alton, IL 62002
(618) 462-5415
www.eagleforum.org

Annual Income for Fiscal Year 2003 — \$1,509,038

History

Founded by Phyllis Schlafly in 1972 as Stop ERA, and incorporated in 1975 as the Eagle Forum. The eagle possesses patriotic connotations and is also a biblical reference to Isaiah 40:31.

Leadership

Phyllis Schlafly, president and founder. Schlafly is also the Chairman for the Republican National Coalition for Life. She was married to the late Fred Schlafly, who was affiliated with the Christian Anti-Communist Crusade and led the World Anti-Communist League.

Tax-exempt category

501(c)(4)

Eagle Forum is opposed to

abortion	of the Child and Women
affirmative action	liberalism
comprehensive,	Planned Parenthood and
medically accurate	the International
sexuality education	Planned Parenthood
Equal Rights	Federation (IPPF)
Amendment (ERA) —	statehood for the District
Eagle Forum was	of Columbia and
instrumental in its	Puerto Rico
defeat	Violence Against Women
federal funding for child	Act (VAWA), which
care	authorizes funding for
federal spending on	sexual assault and
education/school-to-	domestic violence
work programs	prevention, including
feminism	sexual assault prevention
fetal tissue/stem cell	training for judges,
research	battered women's
gays in the military	services, state-based
gun control	services for victims of
hate crime legislation	domestic violence, and
international treaties,	transitional housing for
conferences, and	victims of domestic
executive agreements	violence
including the U.N.	women in the military
treaties on the Rights	

Eagle Forum supports

abortion bans	United States
abstinence until	home schooling
marriage	school prayer
English as the official	Strategic Defense Initiative
language of the	

Methodology

action alerts	than 50 Congressional
campus outreach —	and state legislative
Eagle Forum	committees
Collegians	outreach programs for
litigation — Eagle	youth — Teen Eagles
Forum Education &	publications — <i>Phyllis</i>
Legal Defense Fund	<i>Schlafly Report</i>
has filed <i>amicus</i>	(monthly newsletter),
<i>curae</i> briefs in	Schlafly's syndicated
cases testing the	column appears in
constitutionality of	100 newspapers
the Violence Against	radio programming —
Women Act and	Schlafly's commentaries
allowing homosexuals	are aired daily on 460
to participate in the	stations, and her radio
Boy Scouts	talk show is heard
lobbying — Schlafly has	weekly on 40 stations
testified before more	

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Family Research Council (FRC)
801 G Street N.W.
Washington, DC 20001
(202) 393-2100
www.frc.org
Annual Income for Fiscal Year 2003 — \$9,176,729

History

Founded in 1983 by Gary L. Bauer. FRC merged with Focus on the Family from 1988–1992, then reorganized separately and incorporated in October 1992.

Leadership

Tony Perkins, president. Perkins has also served as a state representative in Louisiana where he was recognized as one of the leading conservative voices.

Tax-exempt category

501(c)(3)

FRC is opposed to

abortion
 comprehensive,
 medically accurate
 sexuality education
 contraception
 feminism
 fetal tissue/stem cell
 research
 gays in the military
 hate crime legislation
 homosexuality
 funding international
 family planning
 programs

needle exchange
 programs
 Planned Parenthood and
 the International
 Planned Parenthood
 Federation (IPPF)
 pornography
 right to die
 separation of church and state
 welfare
 women in the military

FRC supports

abortion bans
 abstinence until marriage
 anti-obscenity laws
 censorship
 HIV partner notification
 laws, national
 reporting and tracking

of HIV, disclosure of
 HIV testing results to
 insurance companies
 home schooling
 parental notification laws
 school prayer

Methodology

action alerts
 legislative hotline
 lobbying
 outreach programs for
 youth — i.e., *Ideas &*
 Energy for the Next
 Generation is a
 "webzine" to recruit
 young people to
 promote FRC's issues
 public misinformation
 campaigns — FRC

falsely claims that
 condoms do
 not offer protection
 against sexually
 transmitted infections
 (STIs), that emergency
 contraception is an
 abortifacient, and that
 homosexuals are pedophiles
 public policy initiatives
 publications —
Washington Watch

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Feminists for Life of America (FFL)
733 15th Street NW, Suite 1100
Washington, DC 20005
(202) 737-3352
www.feministsforlife.org
Annual Income for Fiscal Year 2003 — \$547,842

History

Founded in 1972 by Catherine Callaghan and Pat Goltz. Callaghan is a retired professor of linguistics and Goltz is a former member of NOW, who left the group because of her anti-choice views.

Leadership

Serrin M. Foster, president

Tax-exempt category

501(c)(3)

FFL is opposed to

abortion
 capital punishment
 fetal tissue research
 Planned Parenthood
 and the International

Planned Parenthood
 Federation (IPPF)
 pornography
 right to die

FFL supports

abortion bans
 frivolous malpractice
 suits against
 abortion providers
 parental notification laws
 "Right to Know" laws
 that push alternatives

to abortion on women
 with anti-choice
 misinformation about
 the alleged physical
 and psychological risks
 of the procedure

Methodology

campus outreach
 conventions/meetings —
 general assembly of
 state presidents and
 the board
 crisis pregnancy
 counseling/centers
 public misinformation
 campaigns — FFL
 falsely claims that

abortion causes breast
 cancer and severe
 psychological trauma
 publications — *The
 American Feminist*
 (quarterly newsletter),
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Different Voices (book),
 booklets, position papers

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Focus on the Family
Colorado Springs, CO 80995
800-232-6459
www.fotf.org

Annual Income for Fiscal Year 2003 — \$127,974,380

History

Founded in 1977 by James C. Dobson to "cooperate with the Holy Spirit in disseminating the Gospel of Jesus Christ to as many people as possible, and, specifically, to accomplish that objective by helping to preserve traditional values and the institution of the family." Dobson continues to serve as Chairman of the Board on the Focus on the Family Board of Directors.

Leadership

Don Hodel, president and CEO. Hodel served under President Reagan as the U.S. Secretary of Energy, the U.S. Under Secretary of the Interior, and the U.S. Secretary of the Interior. He was also the president of the Christian Coalition from 1997–99. Hodel has served on the Focus on the Family Board of Directors since 1995.

Tax-exempt category

501(c)(3)

Focus on the Family is opposed to

abortion	National Endowment for
comprehensive,	the Arts (NEA)
medically accurate	Planned Parenthood
sexuality education	and the International
fetal tissue/stem cell	Planned Parenthood
research	Federation (IPPF)
gambling	pornography
homosexuality	right to die

Focus on the Family supports

abortion bans	"defense of marriage"
abstinence until marriage	legislation (anti-
abstinence-only sexuality	gay marriage)
education	school prayer

Methodology

"Community Impact Committees" that work through local religious leaders to coordinate "pro-family" efforts crisis pregnancy counseling/centers international work — Focus on the Family has associate offices in 15 countries; its radio programs are broadcast in more than 90 countries; its publications have been translated into 26 languages

lobbying "ministries" — 74 programs, projects, and outreaches including 14 television and radio programs such as Dobson's daily radio broadcast that airs on over 4,000 facilities in more than 70 countries, and various books, films, and videos, many of which are targeted at specific audiences publications — 11 magazines with circulation of more than 2.3 million per month, including *Boundless* (webzine for college students), *Breakaway* (magazine for teen boys), *Brio* (magazine for teen girls), *Focus on the Family Citizen* (monthly newsmagazine), *Clubhouse* (magazine for eight-to-12-year olds), *Clubhouse Jr.* (magazine for four-to-eight-year olds), *Focus on the Family* (monthly magazine), *Lifewise* (for people ages 50 and older), *Physician* (magazine for physicians, medical professionals, and their families), *Plugged In* (for parents and youth leaders), and *Teachers in Focus* (for educators)

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Human Life International (HLI)
4 Family Life Lane
Front Royal, VA 22630
(540) 635-7884
www.hli.org

Annual Income for Fiscal Year 2003 — \$2,868,492
"Defending Life, Faith and Family around the World"

History

Founded in 1981 by Fr. Paul Marx. In 1980, Marx was ousted from the Human Life Center he had founded at Minnesota's St. John's University and Abbey in 1972.

Leadership

Rev. Thomas J. Euteneuer, president, along with Fr. Marx, Fr. Matthew Habiger, and Fr. George Parker.

Tax-exempt category

501(c)(3)

HLI is opposed to

abortion
 comprehensive,
 medically accurate
 sexuality education
 contraception
 feminism
 homosexuality
 international family
 planning
 liberal dissent
 movement within the
 church

New Age
 Planned Parenthood and
 the International
 Planned Parenthood
 Federation (IPPF)
 pornography
 right to die
 United Nations Population
 Fund (UNFPA)
 voluntary sterilization

HLI supports

abortion bans
 abstinence until
 marriage

parental notification laws
 theocracy

Methodology

boycotts
 clinic blockades
 conventions/meetings —
 periodic conferences,
 annual symposium
 harassment and
 intimidation of clinic
 clients and
 employees —
 members of HLI
 have pretended to
 take photographs of
 people entering clinics
 international work —
 HLI has 53 branch
 offices in 39 countries
 on six continents:
 its Population
 Research Institute
 fights UN efforts to
 control population
 growth
 leafleting students
 with misinformation
 and other anti-choice
 propaganda,
 including the graphic
 "Freedom of Choice?"
 and post card featuring
 the mutilated head
 of a fetus held over
 a petri dish

misinformation campaigns
 featuring films such as
The Silent Scream and
Eclipse of Reason
 outreach programs for
 youth — Next
 Generation
 outreach programs for
 minorities — African-
 Americans (Pierre
 Toussaint Project) and
 Latinos (Latinos for
 Life)
 public misinformation
 campaigns — HLI
 falsely claims that
 contraception is an
 abortifacient and results in
 infertility and that abortion
 causes severe psychological
 trauma and breast cancer
 publications — *HLI Reports*
 (monthly newsletter),
Escoge la Vida (quarterly
 Spanish newsletter), *Call
 to Action or Call to
 Apostasy?* (book), *The
 Facts of Life* (book), and
Faithful for Life (book)
 "sidewalk counseling" —
 harassment of clients at
 women's health clinics

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Life Dynamics Incorporated (LDI)

P.O. Box 2226

Denton, TX 76202

(940) 380-8800

www.ldi.org

Annual Income for Fiscal Year 2003 — \$1,115,258

"Without Compromise, Without Exception, Without Apology"

History

Founded in 1992 by Mark Crutcher, a former car dealer and motorcycle racer. Crutcher dedicated himself to the anti-choice movement after his daughter's death, which was unrelated to abortion.

Leadership

Mark Crutcher, president and founder

Tax-exempt category

501(c)(3)

LDI is opposed to

abortion
fetal tissue/stem
cell research

Planned Parenthood
and the International
Planned Parenthood
Federation (IPPF)

LDI supports

abortion bans

Methodology

direct mail — LDI aims to send out 100,000 pieces to the medical community four times a year to "reinforce the stigma attached with abortion"

encouraging clinic employees to file tax report evasion claims to the IRS with the lure of a potential reward espionage — use of 4,000 "spies for life" to research clinics and physicians — LDI paid one spy \$21,000 over two and a half years to infiltrate companies and clinics that provide or obtain fetal tissue for medical research and also secretly recorded security meetings of the National Abortion Federation (NAF) frivolous malpractice suits against abortion providers — Crutcher claims to have recruited 600 lawyers and 500 "expert" witnesses to help him "force abortionists out of business by driving up their insurance rates"

harassment and intimidation of clinic

clients and employees as well as medical students — LDI published a booklet of crude and sadistic jokes and cartoons about abortion providers and mailed it to half of the medical students in America

misrepresentation under the guise of an abortion rights advocacy group called "Project Choice," LDI surveyed abortion providers about their personal fears and misgivings and released the findings to the media public misinformation campaigns — LDI falsely claims that abortion providers rape and sexually assault their clients, that abortion causes severe psychological trauma to women and providers, and that obstetricians use abortion to "cover up their mistakes" publications — *Life Talk* (video talk show), *Lime 5: Exploited by Choice* (book), *Firestorm: A Guerrilla Manual to Create a Pro-life America* (book)

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Missionaries to the Preborn
P.O. Box 26931
Milwaukee, WI 53226
(414) 462-3399
www.missionariestopreborn.com
Current Annual Income Unavailable

History

Missionaries to the Preborn started as a branch of Operation Rescue and was renamed in 1990. It was founded by Rev. Matt Trehwella, who has been among protesters convicted of arson, disorderly conduct, and trespassing. He also signed the "Justifiable Homicide" declaration, although he claims to have since removed his name. Trehwella has been investigated by the FBI as a possible conspirator in a campaign of clinic violence. He and his followers have distributed pro-gun leaflets and fliers shaped like bullets at Milwaukee area schools. While many anti-choice groups condemned the 1993 murder of Dr. David Gunn, Missionaries to the Preborn said that it "will not lament" his death.

Leadership

Rev. Matt Trehwella, leader and founder

Missionaries to the Preborn is opposed to

abortion	Planned Parenthood and
contraception	the International Planned
gun control	Parenthood Federation
	(IPPF)

Missionaries to the Preborn supports

abortion bans	church-based paramilitary
abstinence until	training
marriage	civil disobedience

Methodology

boycotts of corporations that support Planned Parenthood	picketing — Missionaries to the Preborn holds nationwide "Freedom Tours," anti-choice demonstrations in high-traffic areas using graphic visuals of fetuses
clinic blockades	
harassment of clinic clients and employees — Missionaries to the Preborn has trapped a physician in his home and picketed the soccer game of another's son	public misinformation campaigns — Missionaries to the Preborn falsely claims that the Pill, the IUD, Norplant, and Depo-Provera are abortifacients; the Pill causes infertility, cervical and breast cancer
PAC — established with other anti-choice groups	

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National Right to Life Committee (NRLC)

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Annual Income as of January 2001 — \$13,757,195

History

Founded in 1972 by the National Conference of Catholic Bishops (NCCB). Beginning in the 1960s, NCCB urged local bishops to form anti-choice groups at the state level, which were then unified under the NRLC. In order to legally engage in political lobbying against abortion rights, the NRLC separated from the church after the 1973 U.S. Supreme Court decision *Roe v. Wade*.

Leadership

Wanda Franz, president

Tax-exempt category

501(c)(4) and a 501(c)(3) National Right to Life Committee Educational Trust Fund (annual income — \$3,227,301)

The NRLC is opposed to

abortion	managed care health
Equal Rights	insurance plans
Amendment (ERA)	Planned Parenthood and
fetal tissue/stem cell	the International
research	Planned Parenthood
funding the United	Federation (IPPF)
Nations Population	right to die
Fund (UNFPA)	

The NRLC supports

abortion bans	teenager's home state
Born Alive Infants	Global Gag Rule
Protection Act	parental notification laws
Child Custody	Unborn Victims of
Protection Act,	Violence Act, which
which would make	would make it a federal
it a federal crime	crime to harm a fetus
for any adult to	in the process of
travel with a teenager	committing any of 68
across state lines to	federal crimes (because
obtain an abortion if	the language of the act
they circumvent the	is broad and vague, it
parental notification	could be used to threaten
laws in the	access to abortion)

Methodology

action alerts	voters' guides, aid to
boycotts — NRLC	anti-choice candidates.
staged an	In December 1999,
international boycott	<i>Fortune</i> magazine
against the	ranked NRLC No. 8
manufacturers of the	among the most
abortifacient drug	influential public policy
mifepristone	groups in Washington, DC
conventions/meetings	public misinformation
— National Right	campaigns — NRLC
to Life convention	makes false claims
international work —	about the safety of
the International Right	abortion and purports
to Life Federation	that it causes breast
(IRLF), the largest	cancer and severe
international,	psychological trauma
anti-choice, coalition	publications — <i>National</i>
was launched in 1973	<i>Right to Life News</i>
and has contacts in	(18/year newspaper) and
44 countries	other books, pamphlets,
lobbying and legislation	brochures, and
— NRLC works at	audiovisual materials
the legislative level to	speakers' bureau
chip away at abortion	
rights through lobbying,	

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Operation Save America (formerly known as Operation Rescue)

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Current Annual Income Unavailable

History

Operation Rescue was founded in 1988 by Randall Terry, protégé of Joseph Scheidler of the Pro-Life Action League. The original Operation Rescue was intended to be a series of protests in three major cities during the 1988 presidential race, but it quickly grew into clinic blockades resulting in more than 50,000 arrests across the nation. After over a decade of high-profile harassment and blockades, Operation Rescue began to decline when internal conflict resulted in Terry's gutting of the organization's leadership. Rev. Flip Benham assumed leadership in 1994, but the group has failed to regain its prominence.

Leadership

Rev. Flip Benham, director, former saloon owner. Benham has been jailed in numerous states for his harassing and obstructive demonstrations.

Operation Save America is opposed to

abortion	homosexuality
comprehensive,	Planned Parenthood and
medically accurate	the International Planned
sexuality education	Parenthood Federation
feminism	(IPPF)
fetal tissue/stem cell	
research	

Operation Save America supports

abortion bans	patriarchy
capital punishment	school prayer
civil disobedience	"Biblical slavery" (as restitution
corporal punishment	for crime or debt reduction)
militant activism	theocracy

Methodology

clinic blockades	misinformation and
resulting in more than	other anti-choice
50,000 arrests of	propaganda
participants (These	misrepresentation —
"rescues" have abated	group members have
largely due to fear of	posed as patients to
prosecution under	gain access to clinics
FACE, the Freedom	and have befriended
of Access to Clinic	children of clinic
Entrances Act.)	employees to "counsel"
compares the right to	them about their
choose abortion	parents' work
with the horrors of	picketing at clinics and
the Holocaust	homes of clinic
harassment and	employees
intimidation of clinic	"sidewalk counseling" —
clients and	harassment of clients at
employees	women's health clinics
leafleting students with	

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Annual Income for Fiscal Year 2003 — \$728,021
"Because Action Speaks Louder Than Words"

History

Founded by Joseph Scheidler in 1980 "with the aim of saving babies' lives through nonviolent direct action." PLAL was born when Scheidler convinced a small group of dissenters from the National Right to Life Committee to form their own group that supported more aggressive action.

Leadership

Joseph Scheidler, executive director and founder. Scheidler, the "Green Beret of the pro-life movement," has been received and blessed by the Pope for his anti-choice work on numerous occasions. In 1998, a federal court jury found Scheidler liable for more than \$257,000 in damages for his participation in a series of illegal activities against abortion providers and facilities, including

- 21 violations of the federal Hobbs Act,
- 25 violations of state laws against extortion,
- four acts of physical violence or threats of physical violence,
- 25 acts of conspiracy to violate state or federal extortion laws,
- 23 violations of the federal Travel Act, and
- 23 attempts to commit one of these crimes

The jury verdict was subsequently vacated by the U.S. Supreme Court.

Tax-exempt category

501(c)(3)

Pro-Life Action League is opposed to

abortion	research
birth control pills,	National Organization for
Norplant,	Women (NOW)
Depo-Provera and	Planned Parenthood
emergency	and the International
contraception	Planned Parenthood
fetal tissue/stem cell	Federation (IPPF)

Pro-Life Action League supports

abortion bans	for abortion for
abstinence until	Medicaid recipients
marriage	and military
childbearing as a	personnel
form of healing	"Right to Know" laws
for women who	that push alternatives
become pregnant	to abortion on
as a result of rape	women with anti-choice
or incest	misinformation about
mandatory waiting	the alleged physical
periods before	and psychological risks
abortion	of the procedure
parental notification	theocracy —
laws	"re-Christianization"
prohibition of funding	of America

Methodology

billboard campaigns in	harassment and
Chicago, Washington,	intimidation of clinic
DC, and Milwaukee	clients and employees
clinic blockades—	picketing at clinics and
PLAL boasts it	at homes of clinic
has closed eight	employees
clinics in Chicago	prayer and worship
and nearly 100	demonstrations
across the country	public misinformation
coalition formation —	campaigns — PLAL
the Pro-Life Action	falsely claims that
Network (PLAN) is a	abortion causes breast
communications and	cancer and severe
organizing hub for	psychological trauma, that
anti-choice groups	the pill, Norplant, and
conventions/meetings	Depo-Provera are
— annual Meet the	abortifacients, and that
Abortion Providers	abortion is more
conference (in which	dangerous than
former providers	childbirth
speak out against	publications — <i>Action</i>
abortion), seminars	<i>News</i> (quarterly
and workshops for	newspaper), <i>Pro-Life</i>
community	<i>Action News</i> (quarterly
organizations and	newsletter), <i>Closed:</i>
anti-choice activists	<i>99 Ways to Stop Abortion</i>
crisis pregnancy	(book), <i>Abortion: The</i>
counseling/centers	<i>Inside Story</i> (video), <i>Meet</i>
espionage —	<i>the Abortion Providers</i>
advocates posing	(video)
as workers to steal	"sidewalk counseling" —
information from	harassment of clients at
pro-choice	women's health clinics
organizations and	stalking
clinics	

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**STOPP International, aka STOPP Planned Parenthood
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**ALL Annual Income for Fiscal Year 2003 — \$7,365,884
No income information is available for STOPP**

History

STOPP was originally conceived in 1985 and took its current form as STOPP International in 1994. It currently has 32 local groups and is a project of the American Life League (ALL).

Leadership

James W. Sedlak, M.S., is the founder and executive director. The national director, Edward E. Szymkowiak, M.S.Ed, was vice president of Delaware County Right to Life before he joined STOPP. Szymkowiak left STOPP in September 2004 to teach at a Catholic school in Virginia, and a new national director has yet to be named.

Tax-exempt category

ALL is a 501(c)(3). No tax information is available for STOPP itself.

STOPP is opposed to

abortion	Norplant, Depo-Provera,
comprehensive,	emergency contraception,
medically accurate	etc).
sexuality education	humanism
hormonal birth control	Planned Parenthood
(birth control pills,	secularism

STOPP supports

abstinence until	based methods of
marriage	contraception
no-exception	(within marriage)
abortion bans	spreading Christian
fertility awareness-	gospel

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Methodology

“educational” programs and conferences about opposing Planned Parenthood	pressuring Girl Scout Groups affiliated with Planned Parenthood to disavow it
harassment of local business especially “construction companies, landlords, real estate offices, insurance companies, and local hospitals” including compilation and publication of lists of businesses that will and will not boycott local Planned Parenthood facilities	public misinformation campaigns aimed at local communities, parents, and school officials about Planned Parenthood's comprehensive, medically accurate sexuality education; Planned Parenthood founder Margaret Sanger; hormonal birth control (STOPP and ALL falsely claim that hormonal birth control methods are abortifacients)
large mobile signs with anti-Planned Parenthood messages	publications — <i>Parent Power! How Parents Can Gain Control of the School Systems that Educate Their Children</i> (book); <i>The Ryan Report</i> (monthly international newsletter); local newsletters
lobbying of local politicians and health officials to prevent Planned Parenthood facilities from opening and to pressure local government into refusing public funds to Planned Parenthood groups, including night-time phone calls to the homes and residences of politicians	rallies and information sessions speakers' bureau use of the Freedom of Information Law to obtain information on school sexuality education curriculums, government funding of Planned Parenthood, and publication of Planned Parenthood affiliate finances
organizing local clergy to pass resolutions opposing Planned Parenthood petitions	
picketing of Planned Parenthood facilities and local schools that provide comprehensive, medically accurate sexuality education	