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Planned Parenthood reveals its 2014 stats: 323,999 abortions, \$553.7 million from US taxpayers

Planned Parenthood performed 323,999 abortions and received \$553.7 million from U.S. taxpayers during the 2014-2015 fiscal year, according to its most recent annual report.

Although it saw 200,000 less patients and provided 11 percent fewer services than the previous year, its taxpayer subsidy increased by nearly \$25 million.

Abortions are down from 2013, when the industry performed 327,653 abortions.

"The stability of Planned Parenthood's abortion count – between 324,000 and 334,000 since 2008 – is remarkable, given that national figures for abortions have been in a nosedive since 2008," the National Right to Life Committee noted. "They have dropped 13 percent in just three years."

In 2014, Planned Parenthood provided 931,589 emergency contraception kits, a decrease from 2013.

Nonetheless, the Planned Parenthood increased the amount of money it received from taxpayers over the previous year, when it received \$528.4 million. Government revenues accounted for 43 percent of the abortion provider's \$1.296 billion in revenue during the 2014-2015 reporting period.

"We helped several affiliates return to financial health," the group's most recent report said. Its 661 affiliates reported \$61.2 million in "excess revenue" (profits) in 2014. That's significantly down from \$127.1 million in 2013-2014.

The most recent report, released late last month, found a decrease in overall services from July 1, 2014, through last June 30.

It performed 123,226 fewer breast exams during that time than it had in the previous year.

The number of abortions, birth control, and cancer screenings decreased markedly.

Its prenatal services continued its downward trend, as well, from 18,684 to 17,419.

The group performed 718 female sterilizations and 3,445 vasectomies last year, another downturn.

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One area that showed a modest increase was adoption referrals - 2,024, up from 1,880 in 2013. That means the organization performed 160 abortions for every child referred for adoption.

The group spent \$39.3 million on "public policy," another \$16.7 million to "engage communities," and \$4.6 million to "refresh our brand."

The report concluded just weeks before the Center for Medical Progress released a series of undercover videos showing prominent Planned Parenthood officials haggling over the price it hoped to receive in exchange for organs and tissue harvested from aborted babies.

"We are at a critical moment in our history," Planned Parenthood President and CEO Cecile Richards wrote in a joint statement with Chairwoman Jill Lafer, which is included in the report. "Over the past several months, we have been tested in every way imaginable."

You may read the full 2014-2015 Planned Parenthood report here.

https://www.plannedparenthood.org/files/2114/5089/0863/2014-2015_PPFA_Annual_Report_.pdf

Abortion – The Holy Innocents of Today

As we enter the reflective season of Lent in preparation for the great feast of Easter, let us pause and consider our efforts to protect all life from fertilization to natural death.

*Herod ordered the massacre of all the boys in Bethlehem and its vicinity two years old and under.
~Matthew 2:16*

It is impossible to read the chilling story of Herod's slaughter of the boys in Bethlehem without linking it to the curse of abortion, which continues to destroy holy innocents in our day – not just one time in one place, but day after day in city and town throughout the entire world. In the face of this horrific situation, we are called to be a candle lighting the darkness; let us stand up and let our light shine on our world today.

Perhaps you have been involved in someone's decision to seek an abortion. Perhaps you pressured a pregnant relative or friend to consider an abortion, or pretended you didn't know what was going on at the time. Perhaps you have had an abortion, or were a provider of abortions. If so, know of God's mercy which is far greater than your sin. There is forgiveness and healing for you. There are many programs available to aid in your healing including :

- **Rachel's Vineyard** is a safe place to renew, rebuild and redeem hearts broken by abortion.
rachelsvineyard.org
Rachel's Vineyard:
877 HOPE 4 ME
(877-467-3463) -
National Hotline for
Abortion Recovery: 866-482-LIFE (866-482-5433)
- **And Then There Were None** provides financial, emotional, spiritual and legal support to anyone wishing to leave the abortion industry. (founded by Abby Johnson – former abortion clinic manager)
<http://abortionworker.com/>
- **Silent No More Awareness Campaign**
<http://silentnomoreawareness.org/>
- **Society of Centurions** provides a path to healing and a mutually encouraging fellowship of those

It may not be too late...
Abortion Pill Reversal
If you know someone who has taken the
Abortion Pill (Mifeprex or RU-486)
Call (877) 558-0333
<http://www.abortionpillreversal.com>

who have used their professional skills to kill children by abortion, but now have ceased to do so.
<http://www.priestsforlife.org/centurions/>

Perhaps you have harshly judged a pregnant woman who chose abortion, condemning instead of trying to understand and help her. If so, recall Jesus' caution about not casting the first stone (John 8:17) and perhaps consider becoming involved in one of the helping ministries:

- **Pregnancy Centers** offer free, confidential help, information about pregnancy signs and symptoms, information on all your options, and we can quickly connect you to the local assistance you need. <http://optionline.org>
- **Birthright** - Facing an unplanned pregnancy can be scary, overwhelming, and isolating. Birthright is here 24/7 to listen and assure a woman she is not alone during this challenging time.
<http://birthright.org/en/>
- **Gabriel Project** offers hope and assistance to any woman experiencing a crisis pregnancy. Our concern is not only for the unborn child, but also for each and every mother in need.
<http://www.gabrielproject.us>

Perhaps you have voiced opposition to abortion for many years, but now you are tempted to give up, feeling the tide will never turn. You too are in need of forgiveness and to find strength to persevere. Statistics show that a new generation of pro-life young people is rising up. God may be calling you to join these newcomers and become a mentor to them. California Right to Life Educational Fund has a cadre of enthusiastic youth eager to proclaim the message of life, on their campus' and to the general public. Several other organizations also empower the youth:

- **Survivors** (This is where our youth get their foundational training) Learn How to Advocate for the PreBorn; Survivors ProLife Training Camps; ProLife Presentations and Workshops
www.survivors.la

- **Students for Life** dedicated to training and equipping college, high school, medical, and law school students. <http://studentsforlife.org/>

Every human being is precious, the life of the unborn baby, the life of the frightened mother, the life of the abortionist, the life of the passive pro-lifer, the life of the discouraged activist. Let us pray for the strength to move forward in a life-affirming way, and let us never stop the battle, always promoting the sanctity of all life from fertilization to natural death. And let us work to heal the devastating wound in our society – and above all, let us do everything in Love!

WHAT YOU SHOULD KNOW ABOUT GIRL SCOUT COOKIES

Well, it will soon be that time again...Girl Scout Cookie Sales. And as in years past, we continue to urge one and all to "Just Say No!"

Suggested method:

- * Please do not try to have a discussion with the girls selling the cookies. When asked by the cute little girls simply say "No thank you"
- * There will be an adult coordinating the cookie sales. Hand a flier (see the link below) to the adult coordinator.
- * If your church minister/pastor has allowed Girl Scout Cookie sales in the past, you might consider bringing him a flyer and requesting that the church NOT support Girl Scout Cookie Sales.

For those who say, "Show me proof!"...visit the link on the flyer <http://mygirlscoutcouncil.com/> where you will discover that the Girl Scouts have had a LONG standing relationship with the abortion industry. This is nothing new. Some will say, "Well, not our troop." Maybe not directly, however if your troop wears uniforms, pays dues, buys badges or sells cookies, then you contribute to the national group...which, you guessed it, contributes to the abortion industry.

Somehow these cookies, sold by these cute little girls (and not so little anymore girls) have the ability to turn people who are otherwise staunchly pro-life into abortion-sympathizing, justification machines.

So, stop the justifications and just say no!

For the flyer to give to the parent coordinating the Girl Scout Cookie Sales and further information relating to the relationship between Girl Scouts and the Abortion

industry, visit

http://mygirlscoutcouncil.com/uploads/3/2/6/7/3267198/what_you_should_know_about_girl_scout_cookies.pdf

If you don't have access to the internet and would like flyers contact our office at 925-944-5351 and we will mail you as many flyers as you need.

Around the Office

Cecelia Cody, Administrative Director

As we cross the threshold into 2016 a number of challenges await us. The Physician Assisted Suicide referendum did not obtain sufficient signatures to appear on the November 2016 ballot. However several other avenues are being pursued, including litigation in the courts. The legislation will not go into effect until the 'special Legislative Session' is closed, which has not yet occurred. We will be continuing our educational efforts, through newsletter articles and including materials in our information tables. We also have speakers available if you would like a speaker on "End of Life Issues" for your church or civic group. Contact our office at 925-944-5351.

Another attempt to pass parental Notification before a minor may undergo an abortion. For more information see <http://www.caparentalrights.org/resources.html>

Last fall a number of our members participated in the 40-Days-for-Life vigils, and everyone commented what a wonderful experience it was. If you haven't ever joined fellow pro-lifers in this movement, consider spending an hour or more during this campaign. The campaign will run from Ash Wednesday – February 10th, through March 20th. Many of these groups also continue throughout the year, so make this an ongoing effort to protect our preborn brothers and sisters and their Mommies and families from making a decision that has life long implications.

Do you know someone who might be considering abortion?

**Make sure they get the facts first!
A LIFE depends on it...**

1-800-712-HELP (4357)

Website: <http://www.optionline.org/>

A lot of activities happen around the annual January 22nd anniversary of the Supreme Court decision of Roe V. Wade. However abortions take place every day of the year, and people are faced with life issue decisions continually. We are there, at the end of the phone line 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. They wouldn't be able to do all we do without your support. While we make every effort to keep our expenses as low as possible, there are phone bills and newsletter printing and mailing expenses, as well as the continual need to restock our supply of materials, Every little bit helps. A few dollars goes a long way towards mall table and rally materials. A few dollars gets a packet of pamphlets or several precious feet pins or a few precious preborn 10 week models.

Calendar of Events

*For the latest updates of events see
www.calendarforlife.org*

Parental Notification Initiative signature drive in progress. See <http://www.caparentalrights.org/resources.html> for more information.

40-DAYS FOR LIFE – February 10 – March 20.
Over 300 cities participating, where is the location near you? See: <http://40daysforlife.com/> for a location near you. “Could you not watch with me one Hour?”

WHO IS CALIFORNIA RIGHT TO LIFE?

This is the newsletter of **California Right to Life Education Fund**, a 501-c-3 organization established to educate the public about pro-life issues. Donations to the EDUCATION FUND are **tax-deductible** and can be sent to P.O. Box 4343, Walnut Creek, CA 94596-0343.

California Right to Life **Committee, Inc.** is a 501-c-4 organization providing information on legislative issues affecting the right to life, and pro-life political advocacy. **CRLC, Inc. is not permitted**, under IRS regulations, to offer a tax deduction for donations. \$24.99 annually is requested for a subscription to the CRLC legislative email updates list and can be sent to 1920 Monument Blvd #309, Concord, CA 94520.

Both are affiliates of American Life League, headed by Judie Brown, and share the same “no-exceptions, no excuses” beliefs and the same dedication to promoting the Culture of Life, respecting all innocent human life from the single-cell stage to natural death.

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