

Online Baby Shower

By Sarah Goering



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We have exciting news from our Outreach Center next to Planned Parenthood! Linda Teliha and Monica King, our outreach team, talk with women and couples going in and out of Planned Parenthood to encourage them to choose life. Several of these young women changed their minds about abortion, and decided to keep their precious babies!

Our organization is especially moved when we remain in contact with these precious mothers as they let us know about their pregnancies. To help us celebrate these incredible young women, and to ease economic worries caused by the Coronavirus shutdown, we are hosting digital baby showers, to help support them as they take on their new pregnancy!

We are sharing their stories and Amazon registries with our supporters, to encourage you to help these mamas experience the love and support of our organization for themselves and their babies!

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Coronavirus has had a significant impact on everyone in the San Joaquin Valley and throughout the country. Finally, businesses and churches are starting to open up, and we are hopeful for better things to come.



Executive Director John Gerardi

It has also been a flashpoint in the fight over abortion. Pro-life states like Texas reasonably shut down abortion clinics along with all other non-essential healthcare services, in order to maintain supplies for COVID-19 relief. California, which has redefined state law to define abortion as always being an "essential" healthcare service (and never to be "elective") kept their clinics open throughout. Planned Parenthood possibly engaged in fraud in order to get \$80 million in taxpayer-funded loans, in spite of Congress crafting the program specifically to prevent abortion clinics from getting this funding. Meanwhile, this June the Supreme Court will issue some significant abortion-related decisions that could empower states to drastically limit legal abortion.

We at Right to Life are doing everything we can to stay active in fighting for life, even in the midst of Coronavirus. Our sidewalk advocates are still outside of Planned Parenthood (maintaining safe social distances!) offering resources and alternatives to women and couples considering abortion. We are producing new educational videos, and continuing to produce Right to Life Radio, which gets thousands of listeners and podcast downloads every week. We are revamping, updating, and writing regular updates for our blog at rtlcc.org.

We thank you so much for your support of our organization!

All Postponed and Cancelled Events

1. 24th Annual Jo Ann Stephens Memorial Golf Tournament cancelled for April 27, 2020.
2. Cancellation of Mother's Day corsage sale for May 10, 2020.
4. In-person educational presentations/activities postponed, but educational videos/zoom calls are available!
Call our office for details.

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2020 EVENTS

September

Sept. 10-13 | Madera Fair

Sept. 23 | Beginning of
40 Days for Life

October

Oct. 04-15 | Fresno Fair

December

Dec. 04 | Christmas Dinner
and Auction

Rachel's Vineyard

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(1-877-467-3463)

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1-877-629-6626 (English)
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English | July 31- August 2

November 6-8

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Fresno Planned Parenthood Sold Babies' Bodies

By John Gerardi



Newly unsealed discovery documents show how California Planned Parenthood clinics sold the body parts of unborn children to Stem-Express, a middle-man company that would sell fetal tissue procured from abortion clinics to researchers. Planned Parenthood's Fresno clinic was actively involved in this scheme.

The records give a clinic-by-clinic breakdown of fetal tissue sales from clinics within

Planned Parenthood Mar Monte, Planned Parenthood's regional affiliate for Northern California, Central California, and Nevada, from August to September of 2012. In that quarter, Stem-Express gave Planned Parenthood almost \$25,000 for organs from aborted children ("Products of Conception" or "POC") and maternal blood samples.

California and federal law ban the sale of aborted children's bodies for profit. Such transactions are only legal if the money simply offsets the costs of procurement, shipping, storage and other associated expenses.

Noteworthy for our supporters is what the documents tell us about the Planned Parenthood clinic in Fresno. From July to September 2012, Planned Parenthood's Fresno clinic sold 92 "POC" samples for \$4420. They also sold 114 maternal blood samples for \$1140.

The contractual agreement between Planned Parenthood and Stem-Express set the price point for fetal tissue at \$55 per POC, but only for those "determined in the clinic to be usable," according to paragraph 5 of the contract. Thus, the charges did not seem to relate purely to procurement costs, but to the usefulness of the samples. If the charges are not related strictly to costs incurred, but to the value of the specimen, then this is evidence that the exchange was for profit, and therefore illegal. Planned Parenthood also received different amounts for different "products of conception": some were \$55 and some were \$35.

We believe this new evidence merits renewed scrutiny of the legality of Planned Parenthood Mar Monte's actions, at the federal, state, and county levels. We are grateful that this evidence has come forward, showing the grave immorality, and possible illegality, of Planned Parenthood's conduct. This evil was happening in our own backyard, and it must come to an end.

Right to Life This Summer, Right to Life is introducing a new series of short, readily-shareable educational social media videos on various pro-life topics. If you've ever seen a "PragerU" video, it's a very similar format. These are our Right to Life Thoughts, hosted by RLCC director and pro-life attorney John Gerardi. We encourage you to share these excellent videos on social media, with young people, and to schools and in other settings. Topics covered include the history of abortion, abortion and the Constitution, particular California issues, and more.

THOUGHT

Online Baby Shower

By Sarah Goering

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Here are the stories of these smart, brave, loving young women:

Tonya: Tonya is an 18-year-old young woman who met Right to Life staff outside of Planned Parenthood, where she was considering having an abortion. She didn't want to have an abortion, and only came to Planned Parenthood because she thought she was too young, and she needed answers and options. After speaking with our staff and receiving encouragement, she decided to keep her baby! She is a lovely and bright young woman, and she is in love with her baby, due in September. (To support Tonya or any of the other young women please visit www.RLTCC.org/babyshower.)

Chase: Chase is a young woman who had one child, but who came to Planned Parenthood during her second trimester for an abortion of a child she had not planned. In fact, when our employees talked to her, Chase had already been dilated the day before, as preparation for a surgical abortion. Her mind changed when she encountered our employees, Linda and Monica, who let her know that she wasn't alone, and that life after an unplanned pregnancy was both possible and incredibly joyful. She went in to Planned Parenthood, and told them she was not going through with the abortion. She openly shared her story with us in hopes of offering support to other women facing the same fears. She is expecting a son, whom she has named Elias Jay. (To support Chase or any of the other young women please visit www.RLTCC.org/babyshower.)

Leyla: Leyla is married, a young mother with two young children under the age of 2. Her husband works in San Francisco while she lives in Fresno. She entered Planned Parenthood stressed, isolated, and facing financial hardship. She didn't want an abortion, but she felt she did not have an adequate support system to help her with another baby. After speaking with our staff, she came to realize how she genuinely wanted to keep her baby, but was mostly just in need of support and friendship. She returned to introduce our staff to her two children, and has expressed her deep and sincere joy and gratitude for our staff's role in helping her choose life for her baby. (To support Leyla or any of the other young women please visit www.RLTCC.org/babyshower.)



Sarah Goering and Linda Teliha delivering gifts to Tonya

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CENTRAL CALIFORNIA

Obria is a national chain of pro-life women's prenatal and reproductive health clinics. They are leading the way as one of the most innovative pro-life, prenatal health clinics in the nation. In the next 24 months, Right to Life of Central California will be bringing an Obria clinic to Fresno that will offer resources for women that include:

- Well Woman Exams / Pap Smears • Pregnancy Testing
- Ultrasound • Prenatal Care • STD / STI Testing and Treatment
- Breast Cancer / Cervical Cancer Screenings
- Natural Family Planning - Contraception Education
- Abortion Alternatives - Pregnancy Option Education
- Abortion Pill Reversal • Post-Abortion help
- And many more services!

Right to Life of Central California's subsidiary corporation, the Obria Medical Clinics of Central California, is moving into a new phase of development in 2020. After its corporate establishment and 501(c)(3) status were confirmed, we are working closely with partners in major local hospital networks who are willing to provide Obria with suitable clinical space for its work. We have had an incredibly successful campaign of fundraising for the clinic's initial starting capital, and are on the cusp of making enormous strides in the upcoming year. We are also working on integrating Obria's health education efforts into Right to Life of Central California's work. Visit www.RTLCC.org/obria for more information and to donate.





Linda Teliha and Monica King
at the National March For Life

STORIES FROM THE SIDEWALK

by Linda Teliha

Staying positive on the front lines can be difficult, but Linda and Monica have shown when they put their heads together, they can lift each other up and really impact lives. This time they shift gears from speaking for the voiceless to reaching out to those whose voices might have been forgotten.

As we got to the end of 40 Days for Life in an uncertain environment for pro-lifers, my coworker and I lost a little steam. When this happened, we put our heads together to figure out how to get our spirit back. Satan loves the playground of discouragement, so we try to be aware of where we are emotionally on the sidewalk at all times.

We decided to turn our focus to others who are suffering, because ALL life matters. We got to work writing Mothers' Day cards and Fathers' Day cards of encouragement for those who are sheltering in place at elder-care facilities. We wrote what we would have liked to have heard if our places were reversed.

It is such a shame that we often forget the ones who speak the softest, or those who have no voice at all. Without our elderly we would not exist. We would not be grandparents, godparents, parents or children. We would have no opportunity to use our gifts or talents had they not been taught to us or passed down.

We wanted to show another important part of God's family that they matter. This gave us a lift, and a chance to demonstrate gratefulness and acknowledgment.

We obviously did not get to see any of the recipients but we got to hope and imagine that we brought joy and affirmation. Today we are recharged, restored and ready to do battle on the front line again. Please join us in prayer now, and in person later.



Our Fall 40 Days for Life campaign begins Sept. 23rd. Visit www.RTLCC.org/40days for more information and to sign-up.

Outreach Center Covid 19 Update

Our Outreach Center next to Planned Parenthood is beginning to slowly open. Our incredible employees, Linda and Monica, are outside Planned Parenthood (always maintaining an appropriate social distance) offering information and alternatives to women considering abortion. If you would like to volunteer please email Linda or contact the office so that we can work out a time that works best for everyone. They can use your prayers, and we can use your financial support to keep them working! Visit www.RTLCC.org/outreach-center for more information.

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Despite cancelling the Jo Ann Stephens Memorial Golf Tournament, we would like to thank the following for their continuing support.

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Mother's Day 2020 Cheer



Linda Teliha and Monica King delivering Mother's Day cards at Nazareth House

Right to Life delivered 80+ Mother's Day cards to our wisest mothers. Thank you Nazareth House for caring for them. We love you all!!!

Right to Life of Central California will remember the fathers and grandfathers at the Nazareth House in Fresno on Father's Day / June 2020



Less Than a Dollar a Day Saves a LIFE!

Support our mission by joining the 300 Club. It is easy to join and it is the best way to directly impact our community and save lives.

Our Mission

ENGAGE



4 babies directly saved due to our Outreach Center presence.

EQUIP



Radio show reaching 1,800 local listeners and 400 downloads per week.

EMBRACE



50 impacted women supported through Rachel's Vineyard each year.

We realize that this has been a very tough year for everyone and we thank you for all of your generous support. Since we were unable to host many of our annual events such as educational presentations, our annual golf tournament and our Mother's Day Corsages, we are counting on 300 Club members to help us **FIGHT EVERYDAY!**

The 300 Club is a grassroots effort of Central California residents to **FIGHT FOR LIFE!** It's a simple and effective way to give direct support to our mission. We need YOU to join us. Your tax-deductible membership of \$300 per year can be divided into any monthly or yearly increment and can be automatically deducted.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

In addition to supporting this vital cause, members will receive:

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