

An Open Letter to President Donald J. Trump and Members of Congress

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Dear President Trump and Members of Congress:

On behalf of pregnancy centers, maternity homes, adoption agencies, and other pro-life organizations serving women, children, and families across the country, we write gratefully for every action taken to support life and to encourage you to advance policies that protect women and their preborn children. Defunding abortion providers for one year through the One Big Beautiful Bill was a historic achievement. That monumental moratorium will expire on July 4. We cannot in good conscience celebrate 250 years of life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness by simultaneously federally funding the largest abortion provider in the country. Nor can we ignore the devastation caused by the abortion pill.

We urge you to continue your commitment to standing strong for authentic healthcare for women by defunding abortion providers like Planned Parenthood and, at minimum, reinstating oversight and protections on chemical abortion.

Today, we share with you our great concern for the women who have experienced physical and emotional harm, and on behalf of the more than 60 million children who were never given a chance at life due to the tragedy of abortion.

Much of this was made possible by American taxpayer dollars. As just one example, according to [Planned Parenthood's 2023-2024 annual report](#), they received \$684.1 million in private donations. The report shows that they received an additional \$792 million in taxpayer funding, an increase of \$92.9 million from the previous report. This means that while Planned Parenthood is receiving millions of dollars in private donations, they continue to rely on taxpayers to support its deadly operations. Failing to extend the moratorium on taxpayer funding in the One Big Beautiful Bill would return America to being the largest subsidizer of abortion providers.

Still more must be done. Under the Biden administration, a decision was made to remove the in-person dispensing requirements for deadly abortion drugs, namely mifepristone. This ease of access to abortion pills has only led to greater physical violence against both women and children. In a study of publicly available data released last year, out of 865,727 prescribed chemical abortions between 2017 and 2023, 94,605 women experienced serious adverse events—the type of events that can put you in the emergency room.¹ That is more than one in ten women—twenty-two times higher than the FDA's claimed rate.²

¹ See Jamie Hall & Ryan Anderson, *The Abortion Pill Harms Women: Insurance Data Reveals One in Ten Patients Experience a Serious Adverse Event*, EPPC (Apr. 28, 2025), <https://eppc.org/publication/stop-harming-women/>.

² Hall & Anderson, *supra* note 2.

These harms include sepsis, infection, hemorrhage, incomplete abortion, or another serious adverse event. The FDA's purpose is to promote the health and safety of Americans, not put them in the emergency room. Yet, the safety of women is at risk because the FDA no longer requires physician oversight when a woman obtains mifepristone, the first drug in the chemical abortion regimen. The two-pill medication abortion regimen not only harms the mother but starves her preborn child to death as well.

After an abortion, women often report a lack of informed consent, follow-up care, and even death. A married Texas man was charged with murder for slipping an abortion cocktail containing mifepristone into his girlfriend's drink in an attempt to cover up his infidelity, causing his girlfriend to suffer an abortion after she had expressed a strong desire to raise her child.³

The abortion pill has also been linked to multiple women's tragic and preventable deaths, highlighting the profound dangers associated with its use. In the leadup to the 2024 election, ProPublica reported on two Georgia women who died from abortion drug complications that went untreated, tragedies that pro-life OB-GYNs and Georgia public health officials viewed as preventable.⁴ Two more women were put in the hospital after receiving mifepristone through the mail.⁵

Considering these tragedies and the obvious lack of medical oversight, it is more critical than ever that abortion providers are defunded both directly and through policies such as including Hyde protections in any healthcare packages passed by Congress.

Women facing unexpected pregnancies or pressure to abort should not be subjected to further coercion by an abortion industry that too often prioritizes profit over the well-being of women. In moments of crisis, they need practical and emotional support, such as a listening ear and material assistance. According to a 2023 study, sixty percent of the women surveyed said

³ Rachel Snyder et al., *North Texas Man Charged with Capital Murder for Allegedly Giving Pregnant Girlfriend Abortion-Inducing Drug in Secret, Officials Say*, WFAA (June 11, 2025), <https://www.wfaa.com/article/news/local/tarrant-county/north-texas-man-arrested-murder-accused-secretly-giving-pregnant-girlfriend-abortion-inducing-drug/287-78e3ff6d-826c-41ff-925b-b558b8f69d03>; Yang Tian, *Man Charged Over Abortion Drug in Partner's Drink*, BBC (June 9, 2025), <https://www.bbc.com/news/articles/c0r1enk0x0eo>.

⁴ See Lindsay Kornick, *OB-GYNs Decry the 'Fearmongering' About Georgia's Abortion Laws: 'The Lies are Hurting Women'*, FOX NEWS (Sept. 27, 2024), <https://www.foxnews.com/media/ob-gyns-decry-fearmongering-about-georgias-abortion-laws-the-lies-hurting-women>.

⁵ ⁷ See *LA Grand Jury Indicts NY Abortionist for Harming LA Girl & Baby With Abortion Drugs*, SBA (Jan. 31, 2025), <https://sbaprofile.org/newsroom/press-releases/la-grand-jury-indicts-ny-abortionist-for-harming-la-girl-baby-with-abortion-drugs>; *AG Paxton Sues NY Abortionist For Harming Texas Women & Babies with Abortion Drugs*, SBA (Dec. 13, 2024), <https://sbaprofile.org/newsroom/press-releases/ag-paxton-sues-ny-abortionist-for-harming-texas-women-babies-with-abortion-drugs>.

“they would have preferred to give birth if they had received either more emotional support or had more financial security.”⁶

This is where pregnancy centers come into play. Pregnancy centers are nonprofit organizations that have helped vulnerable women and men facing unplanned pregnancies since the late 1960s. These centers were founded to provide pregnancy-related resources and life-affirming support at a time when states were pushing to legalize abortion. Today, there are nearly 3,000 PCs across the country offering a variety of services typically at no cost including:

- Pregnancy tests
- Ultrasounds
- STI and STD testing
- Material assistance such as diapers and baby clothes
- Referrals for additional medical care and community resources
- Educational classes including sexual risk avoidance and parenting skills
- Options counseling
- After-abortion recovery care and support
- Fatherhood programs

When a woman visits a pregnancy center, trained employees listen to her concerns, discuss her circumstances, and help her explore her options in a loving and supportive environment. Whatever the outcome of her decision, pregnancy centers exist to provide compassionate help. If a woman or couple chooses to parent, pregnancy centers don’t end their help there because we recognize that support is needed beyond birth and into the parenting process.

A 2025 report, “Rising to the Occasion with Unwavering Care,” contains national survey data on pregnancy center services and is a collaboration of Charlotte Lozier Institute, Care Net, Focus on the Family, Heartbeat International, and National Institute of Family and Life Advocates. The report found that in 2024, a total of 2,775 pregnancy centers met with clients both in person and virtually, nearly 4 million times with an estimated total service value of more than \$450 million annually.”⁷ These numbers are astounding considering that most services are available at no cost and speak to the dedication of pregnancy center staff, volunteers, and donors. The report also found that there is a 98% client satisfaction rate.⁸

⁶ Reardon D C, Rafferty K A, Longbons T (May 11, 2023) The Effects of Abortion Decision Rightness and Decision Type on Women’s Satisfaction and Mental Health. *Cureus* 15(5): e38882. doi:10.7759/cureus.38882. <https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/37303450/> (accessed January 12, 2026).

Charlotte Lozier Institute, et. al. *Pregnancy Centers: Rising to the Occasion with Unwavering Care*. A LEGACY OF LIFE & LOVE Report Series 2025, https://lozierinstitute.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/11/A-Legacy-of-Life-Love-2025-Rising-to-the-Occasion-with-Unwavering-Care.pdf?utm_source=briefing.lifeleadership.org&utm_medium=newsletter&utm_campaign=your-replay-as-supreme-court-decides-pregnancy-centers-fate&_bhlid=289e0dd5044677e763a21263b5f09e44bda7a69b (accessed January 9, 2026).

⁸ *Id.*

Pregnancy centers not only provide important services, but they promote the flourishing of families. Their goal is to come alongside mothers and fathers with physical and emotional support so that they don't feel like abortion is their only option. Our communities are far richer for the work done by pregnancy centers.

We respectfully urge you to take decisive action and prioritize lifesaving care as you draft healthcare and family policy. Abortion providers must be fully defunded through all avenues, oversight of chemical abortion providers must be reinstated, and the ability of pregnancy centers and other pro-life organizations to serve the women and men who enter their center's doors with excellence must be preserved. With the moratorium on funding abortion providers like Planned Parenthood set to expire on our great nation's 250th anniversary, we call for the defunding of abortion providers by July 4 and look forward to walking and working alongside you as you create policies that strengthen families and protect the preborn.

Sincerely,