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Planned Parenthood's riches increasing, thanks to abortion and taxpayers

PPFA's annual report reveals 'success' in marketing abortion nationwide

MINNEAPOLIS – The Planned Parenthood Federation of America (PPFA) is wealthier than ever, reported Minnesota Citizens Concerned for Life (MCCL), the state's oldest and largest pro-life organization. According to the latest annual report of the nation's largest abortionist, Planned Parenthood performed more abortions than ever—305,310—in 2007.

“Planned Parenthood continues to build its abortion empire on the backs of vulnerable women and taxpayers,” said MCCL Executive Director Scott Fischbach. “Pregnant women and their unborn babies are still not safe from an abortion industry that preys upon them.”

Planned Parenthood increased its abortions by 5.4 percent in 2007 over the previous year. The number of abortions performed annually in the United States has declined steadily in recent years, yet Planned Parenthood has performed abortions on more women year after year. The abortion organization increased its abortions by 64.5 percent from 2000 to 2007.

“No one can take Planned Parenthood seriously when it claims to be committed to reducing abortions, yet performs more and more abortions every year,” Fischbach said. “Planned Parenthood's commitment is to grow its revenues by promoting abortion to the most vulnerable women in our society—teenagers, low-income women, African American women, Hispanic women, those with possibly ‘imperfect’ babies, and other targeted populations.”

PPFA has perfected a wildly successful business strategy. Its revenues grew to a record \$1.038 billion in 2007, enriched by \$349 million in taxpayer dollars in the form of government grants and contracts. Planned Parenthood ended its fiscal year on June 30, 2008, with a staggering \$1.2 billion in assets—another record. Applying the average cost of a taxpayer-funded abortion in Minnesota in 2006 (\$420), PPFA took in at least \$128 million from abortions in 2007.

Planned Parenthood reported 10,914 prenatal clients and 4,912 adoption referrals nationwide in 2007; both numbers represent a fraction of one percent of the total number of clients served that year. The message is clear: Planned Parenthood supports the choice of abortion to the near exclusion of all other options available to pregnant women.

In spite of these grim facts, the Obama administration has greatly expanded its funding of Planned Parenthood and other abortion organizations, allegedly to achieve the goal of reducing abortions.

“Federal, state and local governments do not pay drug dealers hundreds of millions of dollars a year to reduce illegal drug use,” Fischbach said. “It is madness to think that Planned Parenthood will use taxpayer funds to do anything contrary to its bottom line. Planned Parenthood is revenue driven and has proven throughout its deadly history that it exploits and injures women in pursuit of its agenda.”

MCCL is Minnesota's oldest and largest pro-life organization with more than 70,000 member families and 240 chapters across the state. For more information about MCCL, visit www.mccl.org.

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