



Lifeline

Pikes Peak Citizens for Life works to protect the innocent, helpless, vulnerable members of our human family - young and old, infirm and healthy, born and preborn.

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Why Planned Parenthood Doesn't Want You to See *Sound of Freedom*

The new movie *Sound of Freedom*, starring Jim Caviezel, is bringing the gruesome reality of human trafficking to



Jim Caviezel in *Sound of Freedom*, Angel Studios

public awareness. Based on the true story of Tim Ballard, a former US Homeland Security agent who left everything to devote his life to rescuing children from human traffickers around the globe, the film has been quite successful despite opposition from the mainstream media. According to the website for Operation Underground Railroad (O.U.R.), Ballard's nonprofit organization, O.U.R. goes "to the darkest corners of the world to assist law enforcement in rescuing children and ensure ongoing aftercare," while providing "critical resources to law enforcement and preventative efforts that benefit at-risk children worldwide."

During an interview with Dr. Jordan Peterson about *Sound of Freedom* and his work rescuing children from some of the most horrific situations you can imagine, Ballard reveals that child trafficking is not limited to labor and sex trafficking. He has also participated in operations capturing traffickers who sell children's blood and organs for satanic rituals. Does this sound familiar? Remember the [controversy](#) in 2015 when Planned Parenthood was alleged to have participated in selling organs from aborted babies for profit?

As a [recent article](#) on Live Action puts it, "The parallels between sex trafficking and abortion are not surprising, if only we take an honest look at the facts. Children are being bought and sold for sex right next to us in our own towns — and before they even draw their first breath, thousands are being killed daily at local abortion facilities as well."

If human life is a commodity that can be discarded at will, then anything goes.

Meanwhile, what happens when human trafficking victims become pregnant? Where do you think traffickers bring their victims for contraceptives and abortions so victims can continue their "work" and make as much money as possible for traffickers?

It's important to recognize that the philosophy behind abortion, that "might makes right," means that no child—and indeed no person—is safe from exploitation. If children are allowed to be killed in the womb, then we shouldn't be surprised to see them treated as consumable items out of the womb.

The words from *Sound of Freedom*, "**God's children are not for sale,**" carry with them a weight and a responsibility for us. The weight that there are people harming children **right now here in Colorado Springs**, and a responsibility to do something for those who cannot help themselves.

If you don't speak and act on behalf of these children, who will?

Reference: <https://ourrescue.org/about-us>
<https://www.jordanbpeterson.com/podcast/the-fight-against-worldwide-child-slavery-the-sex-trade-jim-caviezel-and-tim-ballard-ep-372/>
<https://www.centerformedicalprogress.org/fetal-trafficking-under-oath/>
<https://www.liveaction.org/news/sound-of-freedom-child-trafficking-killing/>

Saving One Life at a Time

Sidewalk Advocates for Life Basic Training, a comprehensive video-based, interactive training will be held over two consecutive Tuesday evenings in October. Please spread the word and plan to join us on October 10 and 17 from 5:30-9:00 p.m. for this powerful, impactful training. Even if you aren't sure if Sidewalk Advocacy is where you are called to serve, the training provides a comprehensive look at the state of abortion in our nation today and how we can speak truth into the lies of the culture of death. Sign up at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0f45aba72ca46-basic6>



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The President's Corner

"Access to reproductive health care is a matter of statewide concern affecting the health and safety of Coloradans," or so it says in the legislative declaration to the [Reproductive Health Equity Act](#) (RHEA), passed into Colorado law in 2022.

It goes on to say that "Colorado has a strong history of supporting and protecting access to reproductive care," noting specifically that "Colorado was the first state to decriminalize abortion care."

The word "care" is significant in these statements. How should we understand it?

[Senate Bill 23-190](#), passed this year, gives some insight. In its legislative declaration, it says "anti-abortion centers, also known as 'crisis pregnancy centers', aim 'to prevent abortions by persuading people that adoption or parenting is a better option'".

The declaration further notes: "Anti-abortion centers are the ground-level presence of a well coordinated anti-choice movement."

So, preventing abortions falls outside of "care"? Adoption or parenting are not "care"? Offering a choice is anti-choice?

"Time is a critical factor for individuals seeking abortion care," the legislative declaration continues, adding that "access to timely abortion and emergency contraceptives" must not be impeded by "deceptive trade practices."

It notes that "a deceptive trade practice" is "to knowingly or recklessly make a false representation as to the characteristics, uses, or benefits of products or services or to knowingly or recklessly engage in any unfair, unconscionable, deceptive, deliberately misleading, false, or fraudulent act or practice."

Who, exactly, is being unfair, unconscionable, and deceptive? And what is "care"?

In [the May newsletter](#) I noted that "we are striving to devise some...new techniques" to address our culture on Life topics/issues. **One technique is to dive deep into the meaning and sentiments behind our laws, and to do this in a way that empowers us to communicate the culture of life effectively to those who hold such sentiments.**

With this in mind, **I'd like to invite you to an active forum on "Translating Care in Law"** to address the information noted in this column on Saturday, August 12 at 6:00 pm in the Hope House at Holy Trinity Catholic Church (3101 Poinsetta Dr.). **Come prepared to listen and engage.**

Matt

Roe Still Lingers

News from our PPCFL Blog by [Matt Niedzielski](#)

The Dobbs decision overturned Roe but it didn't address the culture change ushered in by Roe.

An insightful analysis by Hadley Arkes illuminates the problem. The justices that dissented in Roe chose to focus on the argument that there was no "right to abortion" in the Constitution instead of focusing on affirming "the human standing of the child in the womb."

The result: "Roe not merely created a right to abortion; it changed the culture. It converted abortion from a thing to be abhorred, discouraged, and forbidden, into something approved, celebrated, and encouraged. The conservative justices in Dobbs did nothing to start undoing those moral lessons."

Colorado is a glaring case in point. We need "to start undoing those moral lessons."

Reference: <https://www.thecatholicthing.org/2023/06/26/dobbs-a-year-later-the-lady-in-the-hat-and-the-vase/>

Respect Life Roundup

The Diocese of Colorado Springs welcomes pro-life advocates to the Flying W Ranch for a family-friendly event for all ages. The pro-life evening begins at 5:00 p.m. with fun ranch activities followed by the dinner and program at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are \$75 for adults; \$30 for ages 12 and under. Proceeds benefit the Respect Life Apostolate.

2023
THE BISHOP'S
Respect Life
ROUNDUP

THURSDAY, AUGUST 24
FLYING W RANCH
3330 CHUCKWAGON ROAD,
COLORADO SPRINGS, 80919

HOSTED BY
BISHOP JAMES R. GOLKA

TICKETS \$75
(\$30 FOR 12 AND UNDER)

FAMILIES WELCOME
(CHILDREN UNDER 3, FREE)

- CHECK IN AND RANCH ACTIVITIES:
5-6:30PM
- DINNER AND PROGRAM:
6:30-7:45PM
- FLYING W WRANGLERS PERFORMANCE:
7:45-8:30PM
- ATTIRE: COWBOY CHIC
- FREE PARKING

TICKETS ON SALE NOW!

TO REGISTER:
<https://bit.ly/38Yv5z>

Verity's Village Run for the Rare Event

Pikes Peak Citizens for Life will be supporting community partner Verity's Village by sponsoring their 2nd annual Run for the Rare Fundraiser. The theme is "Holding onto Hope." The in-person event will be held at Palmer Lake on September 16. Verity's Village is a pro-life, faith-based nonprofit organization. Their mission is to provide encouragement, education, and practical support for families who receive a life-limiting prenatal diagnosis for their baby. For more information, visit <https://veritysvillage.com/run-for-the-rare/>.



Thank You!

Pikes Peak Citizens for Life would like to thank Holly Coco for her years of service preparing the PPCFL newsletter, helping with billboard advertising, and spreading the message of LIFE to our community!

Holly has transitioned out of her role as the newsletter editor and we appreciate her dedication and hard work serving the pro-life movement. We wish her all the best as she goes forth to serve in other ways.

Thank you, Holly!

Want to Go Pro-Life Full-Time?

Do you have a desire to work full-time in the pro-life movement?

Sidewalk Advocates for Life is in the process of hiring two full-time directors to facilitate expansion of Sidewalk Advocacy to every Planned Parenthood in the Denver-Metro area, as well as establish and grow relationships at pregnancy help centers. For more information or to apply, please visit <https://sidewalkadvocates.org/getinvolved/career-opportunities/>

Thank you!

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Coming Soon...

August 12: “Translating Care in Law” Forum

Join us at 6:00 p.m. at the Hope House at Holy Trinity Catholic Church (3101 Poinsetta Dr. in Colorado Springs) for an active forum to discuss the ideas and sentiments that underlie anti-life legislation—and how to engage those who hold these beliefs.

September 28/29: Life Network Gala

Celebrate the life-saving ministry of Life Network at the 40th Annual Life Gala & Silent Auction at the DoubleTree Hotel in Colorado Springs. This event will be held over two separate evenings: Thursday, September 28 and Friday, September 29. The Annual Gala helps Life Network provide services for free to over 15,000 clients annually. For more information, visit <https://www.elifenetWORK.com/gala/> or call 719-355-1188.

September 30: Switchbacks Family Night

This event is sponsored by Save the Storks, Inferno Men, and Pikes Peak Citizens for Life. Kickoff is at 6:00 p.m. at Weidner Field. Join us for a great night of soccer in support of life in our city.

October 1: Life Chain 2023

Save the date for October 1 from 1:30-3:00 p.m. More info to come on this annual peaceful and prayerful roadside witness for life, which will be held in both Colorado Springs and Monument.



**Booths Educate
Citizens for LIFE!**

PPCFL carries the pro-life message into our state and local community through educational booths that offer true-to-life preborn models, informative brochures, stickers and other free pro-life items.

**Booths provide a true
Witness for Life!**

Upcoming booth events include:

- Respect Life Roundup Aug 24
- Colorado State Fair Aug 25–Sep 4

New Volunteers Welcome!

If you would like to volunteer for any of the booths listed above, please contact Janet Campbell at 719-660-0048 or janetcampbell729@comcast.net