



Impact Report

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**Building Accountability
through Investigations**

**Leading Defense of Hyde
Protections**

**Challenging Assisted
Suicide Push**



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On the cover: Fathers are a vital part of the pro-life movement because they provide emotional, spiritual, and practical support to both mother and child during pregnancy and beyond. When fathers are engaged and responsible, women are more likely to feel supported in choosing life and families are strengthened for the long term. Americans United for Life recognizes that protecting life also means encouraging men to embrace fatherhood, responsibility, and the dignity of every human life. (credit: Jonas Mohamadi)



Letter from John Mize

Chief Executive Officer, Americans United for Life



“As we work to fight for the sanctity of all life, I’m reminded of our generational impact.”

— John Mize

This year, Americans United for Life (AUL) celebrates 55 years defending the human dignity of every life from conception to natural death. As we continue battling the forces of evil that infect our culture, I’ve been spending considerable time reflecting on our roots at AUL. We were founded by an impressive group of Americans from truly diverse backgrounds.



Dr. Victor Rosenblum representing Americans United for Life in the early years

Dr. Victor Rosenblum was a Jewish academic, attorney, and university president. Dr. Mildred Jefferson was the first black woman to finish medical school at Harvard. Dennis Horan was a prominent Chicago attorney who championed the idea that AUL should be modeled on the NAACP’s Legal Defense Fund. George Huntston Williams was a Professor of Divinity at Harvard and our first chairman of the board. Lastly, Dr. Thomas Hilgers was a renowned OBGYN at the Mayo School of Medicine in Rochester, Minnesota.

These incredible leaders defended the sanctity of life across culture, law, policy, and medicine. They worked tirelessly, often across the spectrum of political affiliation, to undo the damage from the Supreme Court’s unethical and unconstitutional ruling in *Roe v. Wade*. We’ve been blessed to have Clarke Forsythe carry on their legacy. As he celebrates 41 years of service, Clarke connects us to our roots and brings the perspective of our founders to our contemporary strategy.

As we work to fight for the sanctity of all life, I’m reminded of our generational impact, including testifying in front of the Supreme Court on multiple cases and in Congress in defense of the preborn. Our work in defending the Hyde Amendment in *Harris v. McRae*, where Rosenblum argued passionately before the Supreme Court on behalf of AUL, laid the groundwork that has saved millions of lives and continues to largely prohibit the use of federal funds for abortion to this day.

The future remains bright. Within this impact report, you will find the legacy our team will leave behind for the future generations of AUL. Our mission is steadfast as we remain focused on protecting the conscience of taxpayers, defending moms and babies from dangerous mail-order abortion pills, and working to defeat the encroachment of assisted suicide.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, which appears to be "John Mize".

Our Purpose

OUR VISION

Americans United for Life strives for the day when all are welcomed throughout life and protected in law.

OUR MISSION

We advance the human right to life in culture, law, and policy.

OUR METHOD

We equip advocates and lawmakers with the facts and strategies that change hearts and minds and protect human life.

OUR MOTIVATION

All human rights flow from the human right to life. We are all equal members of the human family and equally worthy of respect, solidarity, and love.



“If we are truly committed to social justice, creating an environment where people are treated equally and given equal rights, then that has to include the unborn.”



— Charlotte Pence Bond

Impact at a Glance

Americans United for Life constantly evaluates many key metrics to measure our impact, effectiveness, and reach. Key indicators include, but are not limited to, the number of lives saved, changes in public opinion, legislative successes, and other internal measures. Statistical data from health departments can track trends in abortion rates. Additionally, implementation rates of our model bills and other policy work are assessed through monitoring the movement of bills in both state and federal legislatures. By analyzing these factors, AUL can determine the efficacy of our efforts and identify areas for improvement to better support the mission. Each quarter we strive to share a selection of our key metrics in this report.



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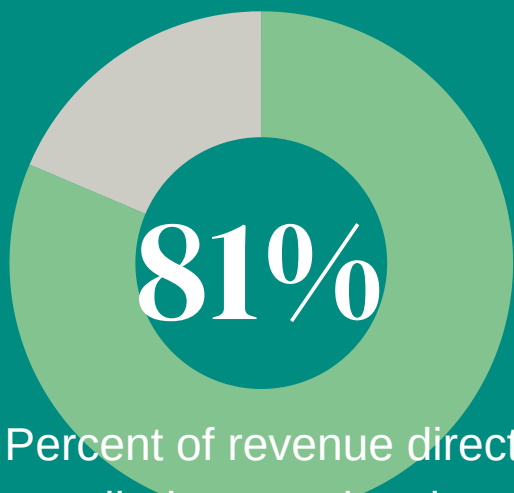
Babies' lives saved-to-date in AUL history*

* based on research conducted by social scientist Dr. Michael New



82

Abortion facilities and providers currently being monitored



Percent of revenue directly applied to core legal and missional program work



6,978

Advocacy campaign messages submitted in past 12 months to lawmakers

AUL Leads Defense of Hyde Protections

Since Americans United for Life first argued the Hyde Amendment at the Supreme Court in 1980 during *Harris v. McRae*, our defense of taxpayer dollars has not wavered.



Leading up to and after the Affordable Care Act subsidies expired in January, preventing taxpayer dollars from indirectly subsidizing abortion through a federal healthcare deal was the top priority for AUL. With three other leading national partners, our team launched a coalition letter to President Trump—who had recently called for Congress to be “flexible” on Hyde—as well as Vice President Vance, Senate Majority Leader Thune, and

Speaker Johnson. In total, 87 national and state pro-life organizations backed this essential letter to our federal leaders.

AUL also led a grassroots effort by launching a VoterVoice campaign where 1,520 messages were sent by 486 advocates in 43 states. Advocates from Pennsylvania, Montana, Virginia, Illinois, and Texas sent the most messages and were our greatest supporters backing the fight to include Hyde in a healthcare deal.

The AUL team was instrumental in influencing public opinion on Hyde and gaining traction in the media, where the op-ed “Republicans must hold the line: No Hyde Amendment, no deal on health care” was published in *The Hill* and later mentioned in syndication from the Associated Press across more than a dozen national outlets.

Members of the AUL team brought our voice to:

- Associated Press
- Washington Post
- News Nation
- ABC
- Washington Times
- U.S. News
- Forbes
- The Hill
- Daily Caller
- Politico
- Newsday
- MedPage Today
- STAT
- Our Sunday Visitor



Estimated media
value: \$1.6M
Impressions: 7.7M

“If Republicans abandon Hyde, they will be abandoning the American people,” said Gavin Oxley, media relations manager of Americans United for Life. “No one should be forced to subsidize abortion against their conscience with their hard-earned tax dollars.”

Standing with Pregnancy Centers Under Fire

Americans United for Life's "Speak Up on Behalf of Pregnancy Centers" campaign, and campaigns like it, provide pro-life Americans a way to stand alongside the thousands of pregnancy resource centers serving women and families every day. Across the country, these centers offer free ultrasounds, parenting classes, baby supplies, counseling, and practical support for mothers facing difficult or unexpected pregnancies. AUL launched this campaign in response to increasing political and legal attacks targeting these ministries and their ability to operate according to their mission and beliefs.

The campaign encourages supporters to contact lawmakers, submit public comments, and advocate for protections that allow pregnancy centers to continue serving women without government intimidation. For many, this effort is more than policy. It is about protecting compassionate, community-based organizations that step in to meet real needs for mothers and children.

This advocacy work became even more important following a major legal victory involving First Choice Women's Resource Centers in New Jersey. The pregnancy center chain challenged a subpoena from former New Jersey Attorney General Matthew Platkin that demanded donor information and internal records as part of an investigation into the center's operations. First Choice argued that the government's actions threatened the privacy and constitutional rights of both the organization and its supporters.



Aimee Huber, Executive Director of First Choice Women's Resource Centers in New Jersey

In a unanimous decision, the Supreme Court sided with First Choice, allowing the case to move forward in federal court. The ruling was widely celebrated by pro-life advocates as a victory for free speech, religious liberty, and donor privacy. The decision is an important reminder that Americans should be able to support organizations whose missions they believe in without fear of political retaliation or public targeting.

The New Jersey case directly reflects why AUL's campaign matters. Pregnancy centers face increasing pressure simply because they offer life-affirming alternatives and support for women who don't want to choose abortion. Through "Speak Up on Behalf of Pregnancy Centers," advocates are helping ensure these organizations can continue their mission freely, faithfully, and without government overreach.

40
providers monitored by
CCS

42
facilities monitored by
CCS

18
active complaints with
regulatory agencies

14
states currently
involved in cases

8
high priority cases in
advanced investigation

Building Accountability through Investigations

The work of the Center for Client Safety (CCS), Americans United for Life's enforcement affiliate, is not measured in days or weeks, but in persistence over months and years. Enforcement demands sustained attention, meticulous documentation, and an unwavering commitment to accountability.

Today, CCS is actively tracking more than 80 abortion providers across America. Many of these cases involve ongoing monitoring of licensing, regulatory compliance, and troubling patterns that only emerge over time. In several instances, CCS has spent years building evidence, patiently documenting violations and pursuing every available avenue to ensure that misconduct on the part of abortion providers does not go unpunished.

As these long-term efforts continue, new investigations emerge along the way. In just the past three months, CCS has initiated multiple new investigations, including cases in Michigan and Illinois.

In Michigan, a recent investigation began with credible reports of bloody, improperly disposed medical waste, an allegation with serious public health implications. Through careful documentation and coordination with appropriate authorities, CCS helped move this case from concern to action. Accountability is now in motion.

In Illinois, CCS responded to a report from a sidewalk counselor describing potential patient abandonment at a Planned Parenthood facility. According to the account, a woman in clear distress appeared to be denied necessary care at a critical moment. Recognizing the gravity of the situation, CCS conducted a thorough review and submitted a detailed, evidence-based complaint to the state medical board. Regulators have since opened a formal investigation, an important step forward in a state widely regarded as among the most pro-abortion in the nation.

During this same period, CCS also initiated a separate investigation into chemical abortion-related violations, an area of growing concern nationwide. This work aligns closely with broader efforts led by Americans United for Life to address the risks posed by increasingly unregulated chemical abortion practices.

Together, these efforts underscore a central truth: accountability is not always immediate. It is built case by case, document by document, over time. And it is only through this steady, disciplined work that real change becomes possible.

AUL Challenges Assisted Suicide Push

As assisted suicide legalization efforts accelerate across the country, Americans United for Life's newest Policy Council member, Emily Hoegler, J.D., is taking the fight directly to state legislatures and the public square. Traveling nationwide to testify against assisted suicide bills, Emily is warning lawmakers that these policies endanger vulnerable patients, erode medical ethics, and create financial incentives for insurers to favor death-inducing drugs over genuine care.

Her warnings come as Illinois became the first Midwestern state to legalize assisted suicide last year, signaling growing momentum for similar legislation nationwide.

In a recent *Townhall* op-ed, Emily argues the pro-life movement cannot afford to remain reactive while assisted suicide advocates aggressively reshape public opinion and healthcare policy.

“Waiting for legislation is a losing strategy,” Emily writes, pointing to Canada's rapidly expanding euthanasia regime and Oregon's weakening safeguards as stark warnings of what happens once these laws take root.



Emily Hoegler, J.D., Policy Counsel,
testifying in March 2026

Rather than waiting for assisted suicide bills to appear, Emily says states must proactively build policies that protect vulnerable patients and strengthen life-affirming care. She points to Connecticut as a national model. There, lawmakers expanded suicide prevention protections for people with terminal illnesses and disabilities while increasing access to palliative and hospice care. By prioritizing compassionate healthcare before legalization efforts gained momentum, Connecticut has repeatedly defeated assisted suicide legislation, even as neighboring states embraced it.

Emily also highlights Slovenia, where voters rejected assisted suicide after opponents exposed the practice as a substitute for meaningful healthcare reform. Advocates successfully argued that vulnerable citizens were being offered lethal prescriptions instead of the medical care, support, and dignity they truly deserved.

The stakes could not be higher. Emily contends that the rise of assisted-suicide advocacy requires the nation to strengthen suicide prevention efforts, protect medically vulnerable populations, and prioritize compassionate care over clinical convenience.

“If communities first hear about assisted suicide through campaigns supporting it,” Emily warns, **“the battle is already halfway lost.”**

Setting Reconciliation Priorities for the Movement

As federal defunding for abortion providers is set to expire on July 4th, 2026, Americans United for Life sent a letter to Speaker Johnson, Majority Leader Thune, and members of the Senate, outlining priorities for a second reconciliation package on behalf of the pro-life movement.

Chief among these priorities is continued prohibition of federal funding for facilities that perform elective abortions. Under the first reconciliation package—the “One Big Beautiful Bill”—signed into law last summer, Medicaid dollars were blocked from abortion providers for one year. This victory was the first of its kind and set the expectation for Congress to continue this pattern of defunding for years to come.

Americans United for Life has asked Congress to extend this victory and not give abortion providers like Planned Parenthood the gift of access to the federal coffers for America’s 250th birthday.

Opposite defunding abortion providers, we asked Congress to include a new tax credit for pregnancy centers. This credit would incentivize charitable contributions to these centers by increasing the dollar-for-dollar benefit donors receive, even greater than a generalized tax write-off available for all donations to 501(c)(3) nonprofits. Further, AUL we led a coalition effort of 56 organizations and co-led a separate letter that included over 300 pregnancy centers in partnewith Seven Weeks Coffee.

Pregnancy centers offer a variety of services, typically at no cost to the client, 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**



Our final reconciliation priority is for Congress to provide immediate economic support to parents at the time of birth, following Americans United for Life’s groundbreaking “Make Birth Free” blueprint. Economic stress is one of the most common reasons women cite when asked why they chose abortion, and removing early financial barriers for new families is an important first step in empowering the choice of life.

Introduced last year, the bipartisan and bicameral Supporting Healthy Moms and Babies Act is one practical way Congress can advance this agenda.

Build a Future Where Every Life Matters

Every human life has inherent dignity and immeasurable value. The decisions we make today, in our courts, legislatures, and communities, will shape whether the most vulnerable among us are protected. Long after political moments pass, those choices leave a lasting legacy.



For more than fifty years, Americans United for Life (AUL) has built a powerful legacy for life. As the nation's premiere pro-life legal and policy organization, AUL's work has directly impacted mothers, preborn children, families, and vulnerable communities. Through the dedication of attorneys, policy experts, advocates, and faithful supporters, nearly three million lives have been saved.

As we celebrate the 250th anniversary of our nation and the fourth anniversary of the end of *Roe*, we reflect on the individuals who devoted their lives to advancing the right to life in America. More importantly, we consider the legacy each of us will leave behind in defense of the dignity and value of every human life.

AUL has been blessed by supporters who are committed to ensuring our mission continues beyond their lifetimes. Through planned giving and estate commitments, members of the *AUL Legacy Giving Society* provide lasting strength and stability for our work. Their generosity allows AUL to respond to legal challenges, advance pro-life policies, and hold abortion providers accountable, often through efforts that take years, even decades, to achieve.

Our legacy donors come from all walks of life, including AUL leaders whose legal vision shaped the organization, faithful philanthropists inspired by their faith values, and professionals whose compassion for the vulnerable led them to support AUL both during their lives and through their estates.

We are deeply grateful for all our legacy donors. Those who wish to help ensure this lifesaving work continues for future generations can join the *AUL Legacy Giving Society* by including Americans United for Life in their estate plans. Legacy gifts can take many forms, including bequests in a will or trust, beneficiary designations on retirement accounts or life insurance policies, or other planned giving arrangements. These commitments allow supporters to make a lasting investment in protecting human life and advancing a culture that values the dignity of every person for generations to come.



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