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# EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

## Dear Friend of the Life Legal Defense Foundation:

David Daleiden's campaign against Planned Parenthood's wholesale marketing of baby body parts remained the most significant national pro-life story in 2016—and for good reason. David's videos exposed the abortion giant as the heartless profiteer it has been since its inception 100 years ago. Life Legal remains indispensable to David's continued mission.

We have also initiated a major new campaign — the defense of vulnerable citizens against California's horrific "End-of-Life Option" Act, which strips vital criminal and constitutional protections from those deemed terminally ill.

California's move to establish "physician-assisted suicide" resembles *Roe v. Wade* in the sheer radical character of its aggression, cutting down long-rooted legal principles with one thoughtless sweep of the scythe. In filing the lawsuit challenging the "End of Life Option Act," Life Legal has moved to reassert those principles.

But we have also attended to our many other pro-life responsibilities:

- In collaboration with local pro-lifers, we shut down the Central Alabama "Women's Clinic" in Selma — an unlicensed murder mill that was not only operating illegally but also serving as the sole abortion center in the city.
- We struck a blow for the conscience rights of pro-lifers in the workplace in the long-fought case of *England v. County of Sacramento*.
- We saved the lives of two young women (whose identities we are protecting with the abbreviations "T.L." and "M.H.") hastened into hospice care and almost starved to death.
- We fought hard for the life of Israel Stinson, the two-year-old boy targeted for termination by doctors who declared him "brain-dead." Through deception, the dealers in death finally got their way, and Israel's young life came to an end. But he deserved his parents' support and our efforts on his behalf. He did not deserve to die alone and unaided, and we were determined not to let him go that way.
- And we maintained our bedrock commitment to the First Amendment rights of sidewalk counselors — the quiet heroes who save lives from the Moloch of legalized abortion every day.

We at Life Legal are constantly reminded of how thoroughly we depend on your help. And we pray that you will continue to support us in the coming year.

As you monitor the death culture's attempts to crush pro-life witness and undermine the sacredness of innocent human life, keep in mind that we are fighting them — and that you are fighting them, too, through your generous support.

Yours for the threatened child in the womb,



Paul Blewett, President, Life Legal Defense Foundation

# THE STORY THEY CAN'T MAKE GO AWAY

The second year of David Daleiden's campaign against Planned Parenthood's baby body parts market featured yet further efforts to destroy the messenger in the media. This strategy was clearest in the bogus criminal charges brought against David and colleague Sandra Merritt in Harris County, Texas.



Coverage displayed an incredible slant: supposedly, the Harris County grand jury was investigating PP — then indignantly turned around and recommended indictments against David and Sandra instead. Securing headlines that supposedly cleared PP of wrongdoing was the whole purpose of the charges in the first place.

In reality, as was later shown in court, the Harris County D.A.'s office colluded with Planned Parenthood to concoct the charges against David and Sandra. One ridiculous charge eventually dismissed by the court — that David himself had violated state laws against body part marketing — could have implicated PP in the same crime. Other charges fell away as PP's illegal influence on public officials came to light. Major media, however, gave David's exoneration only a tiny fraction of the attention they paid to the charges' being filed.

In the meantime, the crimes of Planned Parenthood remain. Eleven states are scrutinizing the abortion cartel's illegal activities, and Congress created a Select Panel, chaired by Marsha Blackburn (R-Tenn.), to do a thorough investigation. The Panel not only confirmed that PP was indeed trafficking in body parts, but also found that the abortion cartel was methodically violating laws protecting patient privacy, even giving fetal-tissue brokers unfettered access to PP patients.

One refrain in PP's cover-up is the assertion that "fetal tissue" used for "ethical scientific research" is producing cures for everything from Alzheimer's to pancreatic cancer. The Select Panel found what "fetal tissue" is really used for. At summer science camps, some high school students now dissect, in place of frogs, human embryos peddled by PP.

The story of PP's crimes is not going away. It's here to stay, in part, because of the vigorous defense offered by Life Legal in response to pro-abort legal actions. As long as donors keep us in

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the arena, we will continue to defend David — so he can continue to expose the truth about Planned Parenthood.

## Special Feature: "Physician-Assisted Suicide" in California

In his book *Will*, Watergate burglar G. Gordon Liddy reports that prison murders were commonly referred to as "suicides with help."

"Physician-assisted suicide" has never been more complicated than that. Inverting the Hippocratic Oath, the California legislature has coopted the medical profession — to end "life unworthy of living."

California's PAS "law" — really the negation of many laws protecting the lives of the elderly and infirm — features no safeguards, promotes suicide pipelines in the manner of Dr. Kevorkian, and directly discriminates against anyone labeled "terminally ill." "The End-of-Life Option Act" even enables unscrupulous family members to ignore elder abuse laws as they hasten to get rid of inconvenient seniors.

Life Legal filed a lawsuit on behalf of six physicians and the American Academy of Medical Ethics in June 2016. Our suit pointedly strives to restore equal protection for those targeted by the law. And we mean to keep on fighting as long as we have the life in us to do so.

# VICTORIES FOR LIFE!

- Assisting local pro-lifers in Selma, Alabama, Life Legal moved against an illegally-operating abortion mill – which also happened to be the only abortion mill left in the city. The “Central Alabama Women’s Clinic” stopped performing abortions as of Dec. 30, 2015, and is now a weight loss center. Our campaign against the “Women’s Clinic” is a good example of the kind of work we frequently do outside of court. Simply by lobbying in a determined and legally-informed manner, we were able to shut down an entrenched illegal abortion business.
- After years of involvement in *Pro-Life Mississippi v. Horton*, Life Legal is about to win a monetary judgment and a consent decree against the City of Jackson, whose officers were systematically making up arbitrary standards through which to stifle pro-life speech outside the state’s only abortion mill. Though the monetary penalty against the cash-strapped city is not large, the consent decree is a huge win for local pro-lifers vocally opposing the murder of innocents.

Life Legal resolved a long-standing dispute over the conscience rights of pro-lifers in the workplace in the case of *England v. County of Sacramento*. Jan England sought a religious accommodation when her superiors told her that her job as human services specialist required her to promote abortion as a “benefit” – even to girls as young as twelve. Her bosses refused her request and fired her without explanation. The county was so vindictive that it even tried to deny England unemployment.

With Life Legal’s guidance and assistance, England secured her unemployment benefits and filed a complaint with the California Department of Fair Employment and Housing. Ultimately, the county settled, and England received monetary compensation. Moreover, the county agreed to alter its policies on religious accommodations and to retrain employees regarding the new policies.

- Back in May, Life Legal received a call from Pennsylvania. The caller reported that his girlfriend, still a young woman, was in hospice care after a heart attack. The hospice stopped feeding this patient – whom we shall call T.L. so as to protect her privacy – in order to accelerate her death. But T.L. didn’t get with the program. She started talking and requested food. Her request was refused.

Life Legal filed a petition seeking a change of guardian and a return to hospital care. T.L. is now receiving food, care, and treatment. She is on her way to full recovery. If Life Legal had not acted instantly upon receiving the initial call, this young woman would have been starved to death.

- Shortly thereafter, we received another call from the fiancé of M.H., who was placed in hospice because she was unable to speak after suffering a stroke. M.H. was starved for 34 days and was near death, but Life Legal was able to obtain a court order that saved her life. M.H. is nearing a full recovery.

# CHALLENGES TO COME!

- Though Life Legal has successfully fended off pro-abort attacks on David Daleiden and CMP for over a year, the pro-aborts are not giving up. There are currently four different lawsuits whose actual purpose is to silence all witness against Planned Parenthood’s baby body part peddling. These suits make tremendous demands on David’s legal team, led by Life Legal’s own Katie Short. In addition, we are preparing for another possible round

of bogus criminal charges, courtesy of California Attorney General Kamala Harris. Earlier this year, Harris staged a raid by state agents on Daleiden’s home -- and seized his property. Moreover, the pro-abort power structure in California has just passed AB 1671, a bill specifically crafted to criminalize the publication of recordings that might be damaging to PP, America’s premier purveyor of child-murder and part-marketing. On

these six fronts, we need to continue to stand with David. The alternative is a return to the hidden PP empire of the pre-CMP era....

- Life Legal is still fighting hard on cases in which government regulations or restrictive covenants should prevent abortion mills from moving into certain locations. Seldom do abortionists, unaided, come to the conclusion that they should follow rules. This goes especially for



- Beyond the major cases that you read about in the news, Life Legal needs to uphold its commitment to the principle that no case is too small. Nearly every day, we get calls from the friends and relatives of elderly or infirm people targeted for termination by the purveyors of such shibboleths as the “quality of life” and the requirement not to be “a burden on society.” Indeed, these sorts of calls are increasing at an exponential rate, probably as a result of Obamacare and its failures.

At the same time, we continue to receive a steady stream of calls from pro-life activists whose First Amendment rights are threatened by the abortionists themselves or by their allies in government. We are able to resolve many of these without going to court — but we have to intervene so that officials cannot simply disregard pro-life free speech. Though these cases may not become the subject of nationwide debate, every case is a major case to the person threatened. We at Life Legal cannot stay true to our mission if we let any of these matters go...

**“AT A TIME WHEN MY CIVIL LIBERTIES WERE BEING THREATENED AND I COULD NOT AFFORD LEGAL ASSISTANCE, THE LIFE LEGAL DEFENSE FOUNDATION GRACIOUSLY, EXPERTLY AND SUCCESSFULLY DEFENDED MY CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHT TO THE FREEDOM OF RELIGIOUS EXPRESSION. I THANK GOD FOR THE LIFE LEGAL DEFENSE FOUNDATION.”**

**WALTER B. HOYE II  
ISSUES4LIFE FOUNDATION**

Planned Parenthood, our opponent in two cases: *Respect Life of South San Francisco v. City of South San Francisco and Planned Parenthood* and *Planned Parenthood of Greater Orlando v. MMB Properties*. Defeat in both cases would mean the establishment of PP murder mills in spite of legal and contractual restrictions. Victory would certainly mean many lives saved from PP’s determined promotion of abortion.

- Life Legal must continue its assistance to Phill Kline, former attorney general of Kansas and early investigator of the crimes of Planned Parenthood. Because Kline did his job, PP’s allies in state government targeted him for extreme official punishment. He is now fighting to win back his law license, unjustly suspended through the machinations of his enemies. A pro-life victory in Kline’s case will give law enforcement everywhere the fortitude to go after PP, as Phill did, with all appropriate zeal....

- In the case of *Ahn v. Hestrin*, Life Legal is taking on a struggle as momentous, in its way, as our backing of David Daleiden and CMP. California has become the fourth state to legalize “physician-assisted

suicide” (see above). But California is by far the largest state to have done so. In California, many more lives are endangered by this ill-considered law. In California, the death advocates are far more securely planted in the halls of power. Life Legal is challenging the law on behalf of real doctors maintaining their patients’ right to equal protection. This will be a long campaign, not just a single hard battle. Life Legal must not allow the powerful forces on the other side to wear us down....

- Life Legal needs to hold firm in our support for Kristina Garza and Brianna Baxter, two pro-life activists illegally arrested in Jackson, Mississippi, back in 2012. Their crime? Conveying the pro-life truth to high school students on a public sidewalk. The two pro-lifers were convicted on fabricated charges after the trial court excluded evidence that supported their defense. They are seeking a new trial. They are also pursuing a federal civil rights lawsuit, asking for damages and for injunctive relief. The paired cases — *People v. Garza and Garza v. Jackson Public School District* — are vital because they oppose the cooperation of public officials, under color of law, to suppress the pro-life message....

# OUR STEWARDSHIP OF YOUR GIFTS

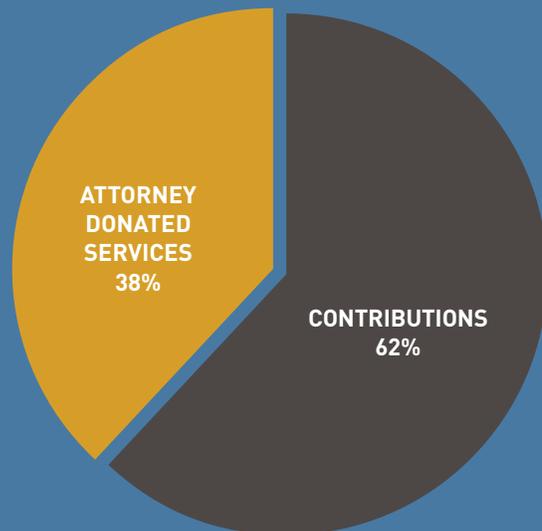
As you give please be assured that Life Legal will be a wise steward of any gift you send. The graph below reflects Life Legal's 2015 Independent audit by RINA Accountancy Corporation.

## SUPPORT AND REVENUE

(Fiscal Year: 2015)

Contributions	1,239,814
In-kind donations (pro bono attorney services)	802,188
Reimbursement for cases we won	44,000
Other income	11,384
<b>TOTAL REVENUE</b>	<b>\$2,097,386</b>

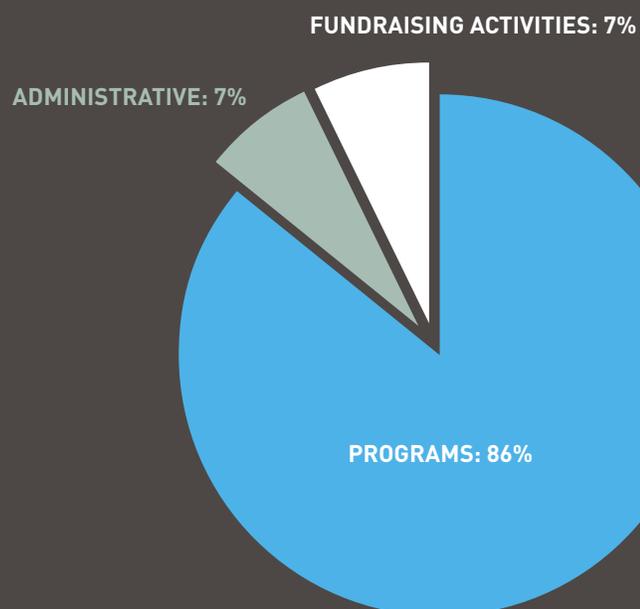
NET ASSETS, end of year \$ 560,988



## EXPENSES

(Fiscal Year: 2015)

Program services	1,719,122
Supporting services:	
Fundraising activities	139,946
General and administrative	146,294
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$2,005,362</b>



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# CLOSING STATEMENT

We at Life Legal are truly grateful for the contributions you've made to our past successes. And we need your help more than ever to meet the challenges of 2017.

- Without you, we never could have defended David Daleiden and CMP — in a year when the abortion cartel pulled out all the stops to crush the revelations made in those boundlessly-powerful videos....
- Without you, we never could have closed down the last remaining abortion mill in Selma, Alabama — a mill that had been operating illegally for years before it ran into Life Legal....
- Without you, we never could have saved the lives of two women in their 30s whose doctors were laboring to starve them to death....

And without you, we wouldn't be able to continue with the struggle against Planned Parenthood, or to take on California's disastrous "End-of-Life Option Act," or to have the backs of pro-life stalwarts like Phill Kline and Bill Diss....

Because the war over the value of human life is intensifying, we at Life Legal need your help more than we have ever needed it before.

We are fighting many battles simultaneously — and the outcome of every one is of immense importance.

Please... could you contribute \$50, \$150, \$500, or even \$1,000 toward Life Legal's continued pro-life action in 2017?

From pro-lifers who can afford to consider such outstanding generosity, we are especially asking gifts of up to \$5,000. Remember: we are in the second year of a protracted conflict with Planned Parenthood and all its allies. And they all have plenty of blood money to use against us.

We don't have to match the abortion cartel dollar for dollar. We don't even have to match them dime for dollar. But we do need to raise what constitutes a lot of money for us — if we are to hope for victory against the death peddlers.



We would of course be grateful for any amount you could afford to give. We know that the effect of small gifts is enormously multiplied when they are given with great love.

We at Life Legal pray for our benefactors every day. And we hope that our benefactors also pray for us.

May the Lord bless you and abundantly reward your generosity in the coming year!

**"TO ASSERT THAT ONE IS 'PRO-LIFE,' IS TO MAKE A VERY PROFOUND STATEMENT. IT REQUIRES JUST AS ENERGETIC A COMMITMENT TO PROTECT THE LIVES OF PEOPLE WHO ARE DISABLED, ELDERLY, ILL, DYING, AND DESPAIRING, AS IT DOES TO THE UNBORN. LIFE LEGAL UNDERSTANDS THIS ESSENTIAL TRUTH AND ACTS ACCORDINGLY. "**

**WESLEY J. SMITH, SENIOR FELLOW AT THE DISCOVERY INSTITUTE AND AUTHOR OF *CULTURE OF DEATH: THE ASSAULT ON MEDICAL ETHICS IN AMERICA***



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