



ARE WE BETTER OFF NOW UNDER MARGARET SANGER'S VISION?

Sky-rocketing STDS; over 40 million children dead . . . is this an improvement?

"Planned Parenthood believes that everyone has the right to choose when or whether to have a child, that every child should be wanted and loved, and that women should be in charge of their destinies." Statement on Planned Parenthood's Annual Report, 2007-2008

In spite of Planned Parenthood's euphoric rhetoric about "comprehensive" sex education and reproductive "health," the statistics belie their enthusiastic marketing. Their own report shows that the only two services that have shown an increase is their testing for STDS and their abortion services. Obviously contraception is NOT working either in preventing sexually transmitted disease OR in preventing pregnancy. Yet, they are asking that abstinence program-funding be cut out of the budget and *their* grants from the government be increased. The logic they employ is staggering in its chutzpah, "We know that selling condoms, birth control, etc. is not working, but please just give us more money."

Exploiting hard times

Abortion advocates show their true colors which is a mirror image of their founder's views about eliminating the "problem" of an unwanted child in time of economic stress. A recent Reuters article (April 22, 2009) by Rebekah Kebeda cites the "unexpected pregnancies" of several women who are experiencing fears about the recession. One is single, has a good job, but opted for an abortion because she says she can't afford another child. To fill this "need" for recession-abortions, the article stated that many nonprofits are scrambling to provide "abortion assistance" with the New York Abortion Access Fund increasing its funding by 60 percent. Nowhere in the article was there any reference to the many crisis pregnancy centers, faith-based organizations, etc. that would be ready to help give women in temporary crisis the help they need. Instead, they double their efforts to make the Planned Parenthood bottom line keep growing. *US News & World Report* contributing Editor Bonnie Erbe is celebrating the fact that the downturn in the economy is resulting in more abortions. "The recession is driving American demand for contraception and for abortions. The media have been riven this past week with stories about the rising number of couples and single mothers doing the math and deciding this is no time to bring a child into the world. The media have also been rife with stories portraying this trend as something of a tragedy; let me propose a counter view: it is not." The new dean of the Episcopalian Divinity School the Rev. Katherine Ragsdale stated recently in a sermon: ". . . The ability to enjoy God's good gift of sexuality without compromising one's education, life's work, or ability to put to use God's gifts and call is simply

a blessing. These are the two things I want you, please, to remember - abortion is a blessing and our work is not done . . ."

Lila Rose tapes

Lila Rose, a 20-year-old UCLA student and president of the nonprofit Live Action, has entered several Planned Parenthood clinics posing as an underage girl who has been impregnated by an older man. In instances caught on tape (6 different clinics all over the country) she has told the PP counselor that she was 14, pregnant by an older boyfriend and needed a secret abortion so her parents would not find out. The counselors, even though the laws in their respective states require them to report suspicion of sexual abuse (sex with a 14-year-old and an older man is considered statutory rape in most states) in all six cases the counselors advised her not to tell that her sexual partner was an older man . . . in other words to hide the statutory rape. They in turn advised her on how to get judicial by-pass to avoid parental notification/consent. After a tape discovered this abuse in Indiana, PP responded by policing themselves by using an organization Prevent Child Abuse that has significant ties to Planned Parenthood (Their "prevention specialist" Carol Pool, worked for Planned Parenthood of Indiana for 13 years as an "educator" who gave sex education workshops.) As a result of her tapes showing PP's blatant abuse of the law, Lila Rose states, "This is the sixth clinic we have recorded that manipulates the law and covers up sexual abuse. Planned Parenthood's abortion-first mentality makes it operate as an advocate for terrible crimes against children. What more do authorities need to see before holding this organization accountable for its institutionalized indifference to statutory rape and sexual abuse of children?"

Planned Parenthood as a government contractor

Planned Parenthood receives over \$350 million in annual taxpayer dollars; the public deserves to know that their tax dollars are being spent on an organization that routinely ignores their duty to follow the law. They should be scrutinized carefully both for their adherence to the law but also for fiduciary policies. In California there is a call for an investigation for overcharging the state by millions of dollars for birth control. The abortion businesses in California receive federal family planning funding through Title X, a 90 percent Medicaid match as well as monies from the federal government to purchase drugs at reduced cost.

Budget bill in Kansas

An attempt to remove the funding of Planned Parenthood was placed in the budget before the recess but was removed. According to Kanview in the last two fiscal years, Planned Parenthood has received \$550,000 of your tax dollars.

Action: Call your representative and senator and express your concern about your money being spent for these purposes.