



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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Preparing Children for a Killing

In a recent article for *National Review*, human life advocate Wesley Smith draws attention to a disturbing development in Canadian pro-death propaganda.

Smith describes the [Medical Assistance in Dying \(MAiD\) Activity Book](#), distributed by [Canadian Virtual Hospice](#). With colorful, child-like graphics, the activities teach children (ages 6 – 12) how a parent, grandparent or loved-one will be killed by Canada's health-care system. Quote from the children's book:

"The three medicines work like this: The first medicine makes the person feel very relaxed and fall asleep. They may yawn or snore or mumble.

The second medicine causes a "coma." A coma looks like sleep but is much deeper than regular sleep. The person will not wake up or be bothered by noise or touch.

The third medicine makes the person's lungs stop breathing and then their heart stops beating. Because of the coma, the person does not notice this happening and it does not hurt. When their heart and lungs stop working, their body dies. It will not start working again. This often happens in just a few minutes, but sometimes (rarely) it can take hours."

Activities in the book discourage children from trying to dissuade loved-ones from choosing death via MAiD and instead encourages the child to consider how he or she can participate in the planned death.

"Would you like to spend time with them before they have MAiD? • Yes • No

Where would you like to be when the person has MAiD?

- in the room with the person
- nearby but not in the room
(another room in the hospital/hospice/home)
- somewhere else that feels familiar
(school, camp, a friend or family member's home)

If you are going visit them, would you like to bring:

- something to hold onto to help feel comfortable, like a special blanket, jewelry, photo, or toy?
- something to do to help you feel comfortable or to pass the time.

Smith points out that this instruction is part of overcoming a child's natural instincts to defend life.

"The whole euthanasia agenda is gut-wrenching, morally destructive, and wrong. It not only ends the life of despairing people who are abandoned by the "It's your choice" deflection, but as this book illustrates, has the potential to seriously impact the emotional well-being of children in the family who watch as their loved one's killing is discussed, planned, and executed.

If I were a kid and that happened to somebody I loved, I'd never want to see a doctor again."

Next year, Canada is set to expand euthanasia laws to allow people to be killed exclusively for mental health reasons. It is also considering extending euthanasia to "mature" minors — children under 18. Are they priming sick children to ask for euthanasia?

Ref: National Review, Wesley J. Smith, "[Canadian Children's Activity Book Indoctrinates Kids into Euthanasia](#)" July 29, 2022



ROSES FOR LIFE SIGN UP NOW!

October is **Respect Life Month** in the United States. The symbol for this important month is the beautiful red rose.

Pikes Peak Citizens for Life ties into this meaningful and important month with our citywide *Roses for Life* project. All churches are encouraged to participate.

This is our main fundraiser which allows PPCFL to keep the pro-life message alive in our city. We use every media – print, digital, radio, billboards and person-to-person contact.

Reaching citizens throughout the city and state, PPCFL's efforts do indeed have a very positive impact! We are making a DIFFERENCE!

If your church has not yet participated in the *Roses for Life* project, and you would like more information, email contact@ppccitizensforlife.org or call PPCFL at 719-630-1999.

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The President's Corner

The race is on.

But it is a race to the bottom! **Which state will exalt the Culture of Death most brazenly and thoroughly?**

Governor Kathy Hochul of New York has promoted a package of abortion access bills providing \$35 million to abortion providers in her state. She has encouraged companies to support abortion by relocating to her state. She has stated that New York will be a "safe harbor" for abortion. **The legislature in New York has passed a bill calling for investigations of pro-life pregnancy centers that do not perform abortions.**

Governor Gavin Newsom of California has promoted a \$125 million "Reproductive Health Package" to expand abortion in his state while, in Orwellian fashion, calling the effort "pro-life." The package includes incentives for businesses to relocate to California. **The California legislature has been considering a bill that would essentially make infanticide legal.** A proposed amendment to the California constitution would make abortion a constitutional right.

In Colorado Governor Jared Polis has signed RHEA into law, making abortion legal up to the moment of birth and explicitly rejecting any rights for the preborn child and eliminating conscience protections for medical personnel. Polis has followed up by issuing an executive order stating that **Colorado will shelter abortionists and other abortion workers** accused of pro-life law violations in other states.

Other states are involved as well, and each is playing off the other as they race into the abyss.

Meanwhile, **many instances of violence against pregnancy centers** have been reported with very little action being taken by authorities. Also, **Democrats in Congress have blocked a resolution to condemn the violence against pregnancy centers.**

Our challenge is to convert this death race to a *Race for LIFE!*

Matt

Live Action Takes Aim at Pro-Abort Men

A satirical on-line video released by *Live Action* last year is getting attention with the overturn of *Roe v Wade*; and for good reason. In the video, a variety of men declare "*Abortion rights are pro-choice men's rights!*" as they reveal abortion's "benefits" for men:

- "Women need the right to abortion because men deserve it."
- "Guys, we're forgetting that abortion is mainly about a man's sexual freedom."
- "I deserve to be free from any responsibility for some girl I get pregnant."
- "I deserve to enjoy sex without commitment, marriage, or parenthood."
- "My right to impregnate a woman and then leave her in the dust outweighs the baby's right to life."
- "It's HER body and HER choice, so don't be asking me for anything."

Live Action released the video on Twitter saying, "Our new satire video highlights the truth - abortion primarily benefits selfish, childish men and fuels the abuse of women and the deaths of children."

Ref: <https://twitter.com/LiveAction/status/1469321306592088072>



Initiative 56 Falls Short of Signatures

Proponents of Initiative 56, a fetal personhood effort, had hoped to provide every Colorado child – born and preborn – equal protection under the law.

Initiative 56, which asked, *“Shall there be a change to the Colorado Revised Statutes concerning making it illegal to intentionally cause the death of a fetus or child at any time until the child is eighteen years old...”* entered a hostile anti-life environment with only \$7500 in reported funding and relying completely on volunteers to gather signatures.

As the deadline approached, Initiative 56 backers notified the Colorado Secretary of State’s office that they were unable to gather the 125,000 signatures needed by to make the November ballot.

In an interview with Colorado Public Radio (CPR), organizer Faye Barnhart remained undaunted: *“We have met amazing people during this process who wanted to protect the lives of children and women in our state... I see this as a beginning — we’re going to continue to educate the state.”*

The CPR article illustrates the difficulty advocates face when bringing a pro-life initiative into Colorado with a diversity of pro-life opinions.

Initiative 56 organizer Angela Eicher said she expected pushback to her efforts from pro-abortion access groups — but actually found more opposition from prominent figures she hoped would support the initiative.

“When you reach out to (anti-abortion) leaders around the state, it seems like everybody has their own idea of how they want to do something,” she said. “There’s a lot of resistance of: ‘Well, no, that’s not the right strategy.’”

As with Barnhart, Eicher remained stalwart in her desire to keep working and her confidence that the effort was worthwhile.

Reflecting on her time organizing, Eicher said she felt humbled.

“We invoked God’s leadership from the beginning,” she said. “When we just go out and try to do as God asks, there’s ripple effects we don’t ever see.”

Ref: Colorado Public Radio, Max Lubbers, [“An initiative that would have restricted abortion access will not be on Colorado’s November ballot”](#) 9 Aug 2022

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Received from

Mary “Winnie” Payne

in memory of her
beloved son and husband of 51 years



Bobby & Bob Payne

Our thanks & blessings

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Sep 16 at 6:30pm Fall Kickoff Event *Spiritual Warfare on the Sidewalk*

Divine Redeemer Catholic Church 926 Farragut Ave, CSPGS, CO 80909
Special guest speaker **Fr Chad Ripperger**, priest, theologian, philosopher,
and exorcist, provides a first-hand perspective of the Spiritual Battlefield in
defense of human life. RSVP to Michele prolifefamilyof15@gmail.com

Sep 28 to Nov 6 – 2022 Fall 40 Days for Life Campaign

Sign up to pray at the sidewalk: <http://www.40daysforlife.com/coloradosprings>
Provide prayer support as a Barnabas Buddy <https://slotted.co/inmuy1gh>

October is LIFE MONTH!



Roses for Life! Sign Up NOW!

Bring **Roses for Life** to your Church – call PPCFL at 719-630-1999
or email contact@ppcitizensforlife.org. See more details on page 1.

★Oct 13 & 14: Life Network Gala & Silent Auction

Speaker: Bob Goff, NY Times Best-Selling author of Love Does, and
Everybody, Always and host of the Dream Big podcast. Contact Alyssa
at adwire@elifenetwork.com to purchase a table - DoubleTree Hotel.

★Oct 27: Bishop Golka's Respect Life Dinner

Theme: **Pro-Life is Pro-Woman**. Keynote Speaker: Deacon Rob Rysavy,
SMHS President & former president of VITAE, a foundation dedicated to
persuasive research for LIFE. Contact Julie at jbailey@diocs.org.

Join Pikes Peak's LIFE CHAIN!

**Bring family, friends, prayer groups,
church groups, youth groups!**



Life Proponents = Joy-filled & Prayerful!

Since 1987, proud Americans who support
human dignity have gathered nationwide on
the **1st Sunday of October** to prayerfully
STAND for LIFE.

October 2nd 1:30 – 3:00 pm

Pikes Peak Life Chain has TWO Locations

Academy Blvd north of Austin Bluffs Pkwy

Free Signs on both sides of Academy

Monument – Highway 105

Free Signs in Safeway parking lot
and Park & Ride east of I-25

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