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Event Schedule

Wednesday, Nov. 6, 2025

11:00-12:00 a.m. Rally outside the Michigan State Capitol Building, located at 100 N. Capitol Ave.

12:00-1:00 p.m. Michigan March for Life

RESERVATIONS Call or Text: 269-548-7132 - leave message

Q: Ride Options?

A: KRTL will underwrite the cost of Luxury Coach Bus. Costs: \$20 Seat, Max. \$50/Family Plan, and Scholarships available. Please don't let costs prohibit attending. Donation at kazoortl.org/donate.

Q: Paying on the day of the event?

A: For seat reservations made in advance: Cash or check accepted. Provide the # of seats, attendees full names, and emergency phone #.

Q: Last minute signup?

A: Call or text for possible seats available: 269-548-7132.

What to know?

- Bring your sack lunch and drink preference for lunch. Bottled water is provided.
- · Dress for outside weather conditions. Coffee and cocoa free at rally.
- Restroom available on the coach bus, and portable restrooms at the event.
- · Free scarves provided to wear at the rally for KRTL Group awareness.

Where & when to meet?

Kalamazoo First Assembly Church parking lot 5550 Oakland Dr., Portage, MI 49024 (just off I-94 at exit 75)

Please arrive no later than 8:15 a.m. to load the bus.

Bus leave sharp at 8:30 a.m. to Drop Off location in Lansing.

Return ride?

Meet back at the Drop Off location. Bus leaves 2:00 p.m. sharp.

Return time to Kalamazoo First Church estimate 3:30-4:00 p.m.

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Planned Parenthood...Where are we in defunding it

That seems to be the \$64,000 question in the pro-life movement's decades-long effort to remove federal funding from America's chief abortion provider: Planned Parenthood? In 2025 we have seen the ups and downs of the judicial system as state legislatures navigate to pass laws restricting funds from going to PP.

On June 26, in a 6-3 decision, the Supreme Court in Medina v. Planned Parenthood South Atlantic ruled that South Carolina could remove PP from its Medicaid provider networks. Authored by Justice Neil Gorsuch, the decision was a crushing blow for the entire abortion industry, clearing the path for other states to do the same and deny the use of taxpayer dollars to fund abortion.

According to Life Issues Institute, PP president McGill Johnson has stated that if PP loses its funding, one-third of its facilities may have to close. While PP asserts that women in rural areas will lose access to health care if PP is forced to close its doors, Life Issues Institute states, "Date shows that there are approximately 15 community-based healthcare clinics offering real, compassionate care to women for every 1 Planned Parenthood location." Life Issues continues, "These centers are ready, willing, and able to help women in their time of need rather than pressure them into an abortion."

LifeNews.com reports that 37 PP clinics have closed in 2025. And the year is only half over! The following is the list of 2025 closures.

Gilroy, CA Madera, CA San Diego, CA San Mateo, CA Santa Cruz, CA South San Francisco, CA Bloomington, IL Decatur, IL Englewood, IL Ottawa, IL

Evansville, IN Ames, IA Cedar Rapids, IA

Sioux City, IA Urbandale, IA Jackson, MI Petoskey, MI Marguette, MI Ann Arbor, MI Apple Valley, MN Richfield, MN Alexandria, MN

Bemidji, MN West Charleston, Las Vegas, NV East Flamingo, Las Vegas, NV

Bellmawr, NJ

Manhattan, NY Springfield, OH Hamilton, OH Cleveland, OH Moon Township, PA Houston, TX (2) Tyler, TX

St. George, UT Logan, UT

St. Johnsbury, VT

The list may be incomplete. LifeNews.com reported on August 6 that the last two PP clinics closed in Louisiana. The state is now abortion-clinic free.

Here's more. The following July 31 statement is from the office of the governor of Oklahoma. "Today, Governor Kevin Stitt issued an executive order strengthening Oklahoma's commitment to protecting unborn life by directing state agencies to cease all public funding for any individual or organization affiliated with abortion providers. The order follows the recent U.S. Supreme Court decision in Medina v. Planned Parenthood South Atlantic, which affirmed that states have the right to decide which providers can take part in their Medicaid programs, including the right to block providers connected to abortion.

"Oklahoma is a pro-life state, and our policies should reflect that at every level of our government," said Governor Stitt. "We won't allow tax dollars to indirectly subsidize and flow KRTL Lifeline Page 3



The next 40 Days for Life campaign will run from September 24 to November 2. I hope all of you can come out to Planned Parenthood once again to pray to end abortion in Kalamazoo. With the Defunding of Planned Parenthood, ending abortion in Kalamazoo is closer than ever. Our prayers continue to be needed.

I have some great news to share with you. Dr Haywood Robinson, the 40 Days for Life DIRECTOR of MEDICAL AFFAIRS & EDUCATION will be coming to Kalamazoo on Wednesday, October 22. We will have a rally on the sidewalk outside of Planned Parenthood, starting at 1:00 pm and it will last 45 minutes to an hour. Please mark your calendar and plan to attend.

Joe Magalski Kalamazoo Leader For more information or to sign up email 40dayskalamazoo@gmail.com

KRTL Annual Business Meeting September 15, 2025

Location: Christian Assembly of God Church 7835 Lover's Lane Portage, MI 49002

Our guest speaker will be Right to Life of Michigan Legislative Director Genevieve Marnon. She will talk about legislation in Lansing. She is one of the most articulate and competent pro-life leaders in the nation. We are honored to hear her talk to us.

The meeting will begin around 6:30 pm.

Everyone is welcome.

Light refreshment will be served.

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into the abortion industry under the guise of women's health. My order makes sure every public dollar aligns with our values and supports providers who respect life at every stage."

In other related news, on July 28, a US District Judge blocked a one-year ban on Medicaid reimbursement to PP Federation of America, a key provision in President Trump's "Big Beautiful Bill." The bill directs directs the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) to withhold Medicaid reimbursements from any abortion provider that received \$800,000 or more in 2023. Planned Parenthood sued the administration earlier this month, arguing the provision violates the First Amendment. The Justice Department has defended the provision as a lawful effort to prevent taxpayer dollars from flowing to abortion providers. Even HHS Secretary Robert F. Kennedy Jr., a formerly pro-abortion Democrat with a now nuanced or evolving position of abortion wrote, "Planned Parenthood has no right to taxpayer money, and this Court should not invent such a right." The Trump administration is appealing the judge's decision.

The process of defining PP continues to be difficult. But we are here for the long haul.

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Most Women Choose Abortion Because They Have No Choice

To women experiencing pregnancy panic, lack of financial and emotional support makes pregnancy too intimidating, burdensome and overwhelming. They don't want abortions. They feel like they have no choice. I know. I've been there. Last year, I drove by a billboard that said: *Pregnancy Panic? For loving support, call or visit our web site.*" If only I'd seen that billboard years ago," I thought, "when I was young, pregnant and petrified. Giving birth might have been a viable option for me, a real choice, a chance to save my baby's life. Every year, I could have felt pride on my baby's birthday rather than regret on her death day."

Turns out, the pro-life web site had links to free pregnancy services, support groups, blogs, etc. I read about teens who were lovingly guided through pregnancy, childbirth and open adoption, birth mothers who were able to form friendships with their adopted babies, some who, with help, were able to keep their babies. To me, they're all heroes, maybe even saints. One day they can face the Giver of Life and say, "Thanks to all your pro-life volunteers, I was able to save my baby from abortion." I can only imagine the applause in heaven.

Best of all, the pro-life web site linked me to Rachel's Vineyard, a program where post-abortive women find the understanding, forgiveness and healing I so dearly needed. Now I am determined to get out this life-saving message: *Pregnancy panic?* Fear not. Help is here!

--Anonymous