



Building a Culture of LIFE

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Leadership Update

Arizona Right to Life (AZRTL) has the audacious goal of creating a state where every Arizona woman and couple is empowered to choose life. This is no easy task, and those who argue for abortion have no intention of backing down.

On November 1, 2018 the book *Shout Your Abortion* was published, which spawned from the popular Twitter hashtag #ShoutYourAbortion, an attempt to normalize abortion through social media. In the introduction we read these harrowing words:

“Going forward we need to say, ‘Abortion is freedom.’ Abortion is two incomes instead of one for your struggling family. Abortion is family values. Abortion is fiscal responsibility. Abortion is liberty.”

At AZRTL, we beg to differ. Abortion is not women’s healthcare, it is not the solution to poverty, and does not empower women or add value to families. Abortion is not freedom – it categorically harms the most vulnerable in our society. As we have for the past forty-three years, AZRTL will continue

to push back against the culture of death with the beautiful light of life.

This year we have made great strides in advancing an Arizona where every woman and couple is empowered to choose life for themselves and their children. We hired an outstanding Executive Director, engaged politically, and awarded grants to pro-life groups.

But we need your help to build a culture of life in Arizona. Since 1973, when abortion on demand became legal in America, Arizona Right to Life has brought hope and life to women so they can do the same for their children. We ask that you continue to partner with us financially so that Arizona can lead the country on issues of life.

This year has been a banner year for Arizona Right to Life, and we are just getting started!

Warm regards,

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2018 Victories



Thank you for helping us advance life this year! Below are just a few of AZRTL's 2018 victories:

- **Invested in qualified leadership** to advance a culture of life in our state. Our new Executive Director, Rachel LeBeau, is already making a significant impact in the effort to end abortion. She has a stellar pro-life commitment and extensive experience in non-profit leadership. Visit our website to learn more about Rachel!
- **Awarded grants to other strategic pro-life groups** to assist those who are empowering women to choose life for their children. Groups who received financial assistance from AZRTL this year include Students for Life at Arizona State University and pregnancy resource centers in Chandler and North Phoenix.
- **Engaged politically.** Not only did we offer midterm endorsements to pro-life candidates in important races, but we also worked with the Center for Arizona Policy (CAP) in seeing SB1394 passed into law, which allows for better abortion reporting. Only through understanding the data around those seeking and receiving abortions can we use legislation to protect vulnerable women and their unborn children.

Partnerships That Save Lives

We're proud to partner with countless groups nationally and in Arizona who daily influence young people making life or death decisions for their children. While we are proud to support all pregnancy resource centers, maternity

housing centers, pro-life student groups, foster care and adoption agencies, and other organizations throughout our beautiful state, we've chosen to highlight the following three groups as examples of the great pro-life work being done on the ground.

Pro-life Medical Services

Aid to Women Center in Tempe

Aid to Women Center provides compassionate care to women in need, no matter the circumstances. We belong to the non-profit Pro-Women's Healthcare Center consortium. Our goal is to educate, support, and encourage women and families through pregnancy. Our doctors and nurses provide services including free pregnancy tests, ultrasounds, prenatal care, parenting prep classes, well women exams, NFP classes, abortion pill reversals and post abortion counseling. We don't take any government funding or accept insurance. All of our patients are low income.

We have two locations: Apache and Baseline. Our Apache Center focuses on providing medical care to women in need, while our Baseline Center focuses on intercepting women going to the Tempe Planned Parenthood to empower them with an alternative to having an abortion. The Baseline Center is directly next to the Planned Parenthood abortion clinic (we actually share a wall with them) and we actively reach out to the women and men going into the Planned Parenthood abortion clinic, and offer them hope and alternatives so they can choose life.



Being Pro-life in the Community

Students for Life of America, Arizona State University Chapter

ASU Students for Life, Phoenix's local chapter of Students for Life of America, is a coalition of pro-life students committed to advancing a culture of life on campus at Arizona State University. The organization engages in dialogue with the university community every week to discuss a variety of pro-life topics, including legislation, apologetics, pregnancy resources, and more. The organization also hosts dialogue trainings every semester, where students learn how to advance the pro-life position with confidence, intelligence, and charity.

Additionally, ASU Students for Life is committed to helping pregnant students in need through its Pregnant on Campus Initiative. Through independent fundraising efforts and a partnership with a local pregnancy center, ASU Students for Life has been a visible pro-life champion on campus and supported pregnant students in the community year after year. ASU Students for Life is committed to a comprehensive pro-life approach that supports both pregnant women and unborn children in order to create a culture of life on campus and lessen abortion's harmful effects on our society.



Giving Hope & Inspiring Life

Positive Solutions to Unplanned Pregnancy

Adoption Solutions of Arizona in Tucson

Adoption Solutions of Arizona (ASA) has been providing services to women and couples experiencing crisis or unexpected pregnancies since 2016. ASA is a non-profit infant placing adoption agency. We are licensed by the Arizona Department of Child Safety as a Child Placing Agency. We are located in Southern Arizona and often work with Native American families.

Our goal is provide women who find themselves unexpectedly pregnant with an alternative to abortion when they don't feel prepared to parent. Our mission is to do what is in the best interest of the woman and child.

We want to help her make a decision that both she and the baby can live with. We love working with our hopeful adoptive parents who are ready to care for each and every child who needs a soft place to land.

We are strong advocates of open adoption, and strive to help birth and adoptive families build a relationship based upon their mutual love of the adopted child. Our staff members have each been personally touched by adoption. It is more than a job for each of us. Adoption is our passion, our ministry and our calling. We strive to provide education regarding the beauty and loss of the adoption process.



Arizona Right to Life empowers women and families to choose life for themselves and their children by providing resources, strengthening partnerships to unify the pro-life community, and championing advocacy for pro-life public policy and legislation.

Looking Ahead

Empowering women to make the best life choice for themselves and their children can only be accomplished through compassionate care of the most vulnerable in our society.

Arizona Right to Life's commitment to ending abortion includes the following strategies:

- Build more and stronger partnerships with other pro-life groups who interact daily with vulnerable women and families.
- Award grants as a foundation to organizations actively supporting moms and children.

- Work with the newly elected Arizona House, Senate, and Governor to secure Arizona's leadership role in pro-life legislation.
- Invest in solid research and data analytics to confirm the most effective ways to help women making life decisions for themselves and their children.
- Promote pro-life messaging throughout our beautiful state of Arizona.

None of this progress will be possible without financial support from generous pro-life advocates like you. **Thank you!**





THANK YOU for Building a Culture of LIFE

*Contact us with your pro-life stories,
to volunteer, or to donate in support of life!*

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*Our new Executive Director,
Rachel LeBeau, is passionately
committed to building a
culture of life in Arizona and
beyond. Visit our website to
learn more about Rachel!*

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