



The Pro-Life Generation's 2023 Blueprint for a Post-Roe America

To: Government Leaders & Pro-Life Americans

INTRODUCTION

In the summer of 2020, Students for Life of America (SFLA) and Students for Life Action (SFLAction) released our inaugural *Blueprint for a Post-Roe America*. Signed and endorsed by pro-life leaders throughout the United States, the blueprint listed six key action items for the pro-life movement to accomplish in what we knew would be a forthcoming in a Post-Roe era.

After decades of work and contributions from student and grassroots activists, political leaders, and many organizations across the country, the first item on our 2020 Blueprint - reverse *Roe v. Wade* - has been accomplished thanks to the Supreme Court's decision in *Dobbs v Jackson* earlier this year.

Now, our work continues and new challenges have arisen to end the chemical abortion cartel, support mothers who chose life in our communities and on campuses, and shut down the predatory abortion industry.

Our **2023 Blueprint for a Post-Roe America**, consisting of seven key action items that can be taken at *all* levels of government, explains what we must do now to promote and support a Culture of Life in our nation, *ending abortion in all its forms*, and charts a course to protect life in the womb, support mothers and fathers, promote healthy outcomes for babies, and reignite support for families in the United States.

In short, this is the Pro-Life Generation's action plan to abolish abortion in our lifetime, making abortion violence unthinkable and unavailable.

SEVEN ACTION ITEMS

1. **Enshrine Protection for HUMAN LIFE in the Womb in the Law.** Life begins at conception, so that is when the law must begin to protect life.

- Legislation at the state and federal levels should provide the most generous protections possible to life in the womb like *Life at Conception Acts* or *Heartbeat Abortion Bans*.
- People of good will may have different approaches for how best to protect life in the womb in the Post-Roe era. However, we must keep working together to promote a Culture of Life that ensures every preborn child, *no matter the circumstances of their conception*, has legal protection allowing them to be born.

2. Defund Planned Parenthood and the Abortion Industry

- Planned Parenthood and other entities that engage in committing abortions should not be funded by the American taxpayer through federal or state laws or be eligible for funding. The abortion industry must be defunded.
 - i. Planned Parenthood and similar organizations should not be eligible for federal funding under Title V or Title X.
 - ii. Federal funding should not be provided for international organizations that promote or provide abortions.
 - iii. Entities that engage in fetal tissue research should be barred from federal funding.

3. End the Chemical Abortion Cartel – Chemical Abortions end human life and now are the most common abortion procedure in America. During a Chemical Abortion, the developing child is denied necessary nourishment by chemical abortion drugs, exits the mother, and is disposed of via wastewater. This is a tragic end to human life and carries significant health risks to mothers including: “hemorrhage, blood clots; undetected ectopic pregnancy, which is life-threatening; permanent infertility, if an Rh negative mother is not administered RhoGAM as is done with dangerous “no-test” abortions and telemedicine chemical abortions; maternal death.”¹ Chemical abortions are not birth control, they are abortions, and, in some cases, these abortion drugs are being mailed to mothers from foreign nations with zero physician supervision. To protect the innocent child in the womb and the well-being and life of his or her mother, we will work to ban chemical abortions

- Enact new state and federal laws, where appropriate.
- End the sale and distribution of chemical abortion pills via the mail, which is currently prohibited by the law in certain circumstances.
- Enforce existing laws prohibiting the distribution of chemical abortion pills via the mail.
- Require emergency rooms and other health care entities to accurately report chemical abortions.
 - i. Emergency rooms usually report visits due to chemical abortion as spontaneous miscarriages.
- Require environmental assessment on the impact of chemical abortion drugs, fetal remains, and tainted human tissue in wastewater

¹ <https://studentsforlife.org/2021/10/12/heres-the-ultimate-guide-to-chemical-abortion/>

- i. Chemical abortion results in the baby being disposed of in wastewater.
 - ii. Apart from the destruction of life and the tremendous physical damage to the mother, the environmental damage from chemical abortion must be addressed.
 - Restore health and safety standards for chemical abortion drugs that were lifted by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA)
 - i. In December 2021, the Biden FDA lifted the Risk Evaluation Mitigation Strategy (REMS) standards that were applied to chemical abortion pills to protect mothers. These REMS are necessary to let women know how dangerous chemical abortion pills are.
 - ii. Without these warnings, the health of mothers and their children are at risk.
4. **Promote Adoption** – A moral imperative exists to promote adoption as the life-affirming and family-building alternative to the violence of abortion.
- i. States, localities, non-profits, and faith-based groups should be encouraged to develop plans to help pregnant mothers feel empowered to choose adoption and supported throughout the process.
 - ii. State and local social services should be incentivized to promote adoption.
 - iii. State adoption procedures should be streamlined.
 - iv. Reforms in our foster care system must be made.
5. **Support Pregnant & Parenting Women on Campus**
- Pregnant mothers on campuses should not be treated as outcasts. Instead, they should be fully integrated into campus life, have their needs reasonably accommodated, and be honored for choosing life. Mothers and fathers on campus should be treated similarly.
 - i. Pregnant women on campus should not be stigmatized and should be supported during their pregnancy as while they parent their child.
 - ii. Medical, emotional, pre- and post-natal care should be facilitated by campuses across the country for their pregnant students.
 - iii. If schools have pre-existing daycare and child support services, they should be encouraged to make them available for parenting students. If they do not exist, they should be encouraged to create them.
 - iv. Housing should be provided for pregnant students, as outlined by Title IX.²
 - v. Flexibility should exist in scheduling classes for pregnant and parenting women on campus, as well as fathers.

² <https://pregnantoncampus.studentsforlife.org/title-ix/>

- vi. Necessities such as diaper decks, preferred parking for pregnant and parenting students, and nursing rooms should be established and publicized.

6. **Encourage Family-Friendly, Work-Friendly Employment**

- States and localities should encourage employers to provide family-friendly and work-friendly environments and ensure legal protections for parents seeking flexible work arrangements.
 - i. Raising families requires flexibility.
 - 1. Employers should allow their workers flexibility in their schedules to raise their families.
 - 2. The *Family and Medical Leave Act* must be improved to support families in their efforts to raise their children.
 - 3. Companies should be incentivized to provide paid family leave and flexible work schedules to their employees.
 - ii. The *Pregnancy Discrimination Act* should be publicized and enforced.
 - iii. The *Family and Medical Leave Act* should be publicized and enforced.

7. **Hold Corporate Abortion Accountable by tracking life and health repercussions of abortion.**

- The President and members of Congress are both calling for MORE abortion and federal dollars spent on advertising for abortion, without any verifiable federal assessment of the short and long-term implications of abortion.
- Planned Parenthood and the abortion industry claims that abortion is “safe” and, yet, unlike other medical events, like pregnancy, mandatory abortion reporting does not take place.
 - i. Other industries are not permitted to self-regulate. Other healthcare providers engage in regular reporting.

CONCLUSION

The Pro-Life Generation’s **2023 *Blueprint for a Post-Roe America*** is a practical, actionable, and meets the challenges and opportunities of this unique moment in the pro-life movement. We will be working with lawmakers, policy shapers, and our activist community to use this blueprint to construct a post-*Roe* America that protects life in law by building society that protects human life in the womb, defunds the abortion industry, ends chemical abortions, supports pregnant women, promotes adoption, and creates family-friendly work environments, and makes abortion unthinkable.

Protecting preborn children is a moral requirement of civil society and doing so will have significant, positive consequences for all of us. It will foster mutual respect, advance the dignity of all, and make our American family more closely-knit. This *Blueprint* is how we can construct our American home for the 21st century.