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NY COUNTY REPEALS PRO-ABORTION 'BUBBLE ZONES'

A Catholic organization won a lawsuit against Westchester County in New York, leading to the repeal of a "bubble zone law" that prohibited pro-life advocates from approaching women seeking abortions.

In an August 10 press release, Thomas More Society Senior Counsel Christopher Ferrara said: "Those who seek to defend the right to life are constitutionally guaranteed the freedom to speak their mind, and shame on any governmental unit that attempts to curtail that."

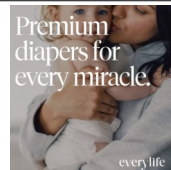
[Westchester Board of Legislators repeals part of reproductive rights law \(news12.com\)](https://www.news12.com)

PA Defunds Pregnancy Resource Centers

The administration announced August 3rd that it will not renew its state funding contract with Real Alternatives, a pro-life network that operates 77 centers throughout Pennsylvania.

Though there is an \$8.2 million line item for "women's health" funding in the commonwealth's budget, the governor's office cut out Real Alternatives and will be accepting applications from other "women's health providers" who perform and refer for abortions.

Real Alternatives' website reports that it offers services that "empower women to protect their reproductive health, avoid crisis pregnancies, choose childbirth rather than abortion, receive adoption education, and improve parenting skills." [Pennsylvania ends decades long funding for crisis pregnancy centers | Catholic News Agency](#)



New Pro-Life Diaper Company Celebrates Every Baby as a "Miracle From God"

Pro-lifers donate millions of diapers every year to moms in need.

But one group of concerned parents began to wonder how major diaper companies use their profits. When they learned that many support pro-abortion causes, they decided to begin a company of their own: **EveryLife**.

EveryLife advertises high-quality, affordable baby diapers and wipes, centered around the belief that "every child is a gift from above that deserves to be loved, protected and celebrated — every single day."

EveryLife has an "unapologetically" pro-life mission that includes helping families in need. In partnership with Save the Storks, Live Action and other pro-life organizations, the company offers a "Buy for a Cause" program that allows people to donate a month's supply of diapers and wipes to young, struggling families. [New Pro-Life Diaper Company Celebrates Every Baby as a "Miracle From God" - LifeNews.com](#)



Pope Francis Tells World Youth Day Participants to Oppose Abortion, You Must "Defend Life"

Pope Francis urged young Catholics to "defend life" from the threats of abortion and euthanasia during a special luncheon during World Youth Day in Lisbon, Portugal with representatives from around the world.

Using a soccer analogy, the pope told the young Catholics to "be goalkeepers in life, and to prevent the bad things in life from scoring goals on you." He also encouraged them "not to leave grandparents on their own."

[Pope Francis Tells World Youth Day Participants to Oppose Abortion, You Must "Defend Life" - LifeNews.com 8/4/23](#)



Sex Trafficking Victim Says Trafficker "Took All His Girls to Planned Parenthood" for Abortions

"Ann" visited Planned Parenthood often with her human trafficker for birth control and, when it failed, abortions. A survivor of sex trafficking, Ann told researchers in a 2019 study how her abuser befriended staffers at Planned Parenthood so they would not ask questions about the many girls he brought there.

"I went to Planned Parenthood. I went there a lot for birth control. He took all his girls there," she said. "They knew him by Benny, but they didn't know who he was. He just kept saying that they were sisters or friends." [Trafficking survivor says her trafficker 'took all his girls to Planned Parenthood' \(liveaction.org\) 8/2/23](#)

Ann's story is just one of many linking human trafficking victims to Planned Parenthood, a billion-dollar abortion chain that receives hundreds of millions of tax dollars every year.

Many survivors told researchers that their abusers liked taking them to Planned Parenthood because its staff does not ask questions, according to Live Action. In some cases, the victims were under 18.

Another study published in 2014 by the Beazley Institute for Health Law and Policy similarly found that victims "had significant contact with clinical treatment facilities, most commonly Planned Parenthood clinics." Of those involved in the research, about 30 percent had visited a Planned Parenthood while being trafficked. [Annals of Health Law - Vol 23 Issue 1 \(icmec.org\)](#)



DARK UNDERBELLY OF SOLAR POWER –WHAT DO SLAVERY AND GENOCIDE HAVE TO DO WITH “GOING GREEN”?

China produces more than 80% of the world’s solar panels an Ecoinvent study shows. It states that “up until the mid-2000s the market was dominated by Japanese, US and German manufacturers.”

A New York Times ([Solar Supply Chain Grows More Opaque Amid Human Rights Concerns - The New York Times \(nytimes.com\)](#)) report connects the production of solar panels in China to the “forced labor” of minority groups in Chinese-occupied East Turkestan (what the Chinese Communist Party calls China’s Xinjiang province).

Notably, East Turkestan is also the location of the ongoing genocide of the Uyghurs and other Muslim Turkic minorities by the Chinese Communist Party (CCP).

[Dark Side To Solar? More Reports Tie Panel Production To Toxic Pollution \(forbes.com\)](#)

Baby Born at 23 Weeks and Weighing 500 Grams Heads Home and is Doing Great



Zedrick Madoginog defied expectations of doctors and beat the odds to make it home. The little boy was born four months early and had to be resuscitated at birth. Dr Pooja Agrawal, a specialist neonatologist at the hospital, said “Generally, babies in this condition are lost and we were praying that this baby would get better”.

Zedrick’s parents, Maricel and Keith Madoginog, didn’t know if their little boy would survive and come home with them from the hospital. Maricel, 35, from the Philippines, said that she spent her time “valuing every passing moment that I saw my son breathe and fight to stay alive”.

[Baby Born at 23 Weeks and Weighing 500 Grams Heads Home and is Doing Great - LifeNews.com](#)

30 Years of Veritatis Splendor

August 6 marked the 30th anniversary of Pope St. John Paul II’s monumental moral theology encyclical, Veritatis Splendor (VS).

As the first and only encyclical on moral theology, VS is even today groundbreaking in its comprehensive coverage of morality in light of the person of Christ.

Read it here: [Veritatis Splendor \(6 August 1993\) | John Paul II \(vatican.va\)](#)



California Assisted Suicide Deaths Jump 63% to Record High

The 2022 California assisted suicide report indicates that the number of assisted suicide deaths increased by more than 63% and the number of prescriptions for lethal drugs increasing by 47% from the 2021 report.

In 2022 there were 853 reported assisted suicide deaths and 1270 lethal cocktail prescriptions written which was up from 522 reported assisted suicide deaths and 863 lethal prescriptions written in 2021.

One reason for the 63% increase in assisted suicide deaths in 2022 is in 2021 California legislators expanded the assisted suicide law by passing SB 380 which:

- * Reduced the mandatory 15-day waiting period between the two oral requests to 48 hours. It is important to note that 78.7% of those who received lethal prescription in 2022 waited less than 15 days.
- * Eliminated the original law’s sunset clause, which eliminated the requirement to review the law.
- * Forced doctors who oppose assisted suicide to refer the person who requests assisted suicide.

[California Assisted Suicide Deaths Jump 63% to Record High - LifeNews.com](#)

FEDERAL COURT ENDS MAIL-ORDER ABORTION PILLS

The United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit issued a ruling August 16th placing several restrictions on the abortion drug mifepristone but allowing it to remain authorized by the FDA. In addition to ending mail orders of mifepristone, the court placed several other restrictions on the abortion-causing drug.

The ruling will not take effect until the Supreme Court reviews it, which could occur in its upcoming term from October to June.

[US Appeals Court Backs Abortion Pill Restrictions; Supreme Court Appeal Planned \(usnews.com\)](#)

HIGH COURT UPHOLDS SOUTH CAROLINA HEART-BEAT LAW

The South Carolina Supreme Court on August 23 upheld a revised version of the state’s “heartbeat” law, reversing a previous ruling from the high court earlier this year that deemed the law unconstitutional.

In the 4-1 decision, the court said abortions are not protected under the state’s constitutional safeguards against invasions of privacy. The pro-life law is in keeping with South Carolina’s legitimate “interest in protecting the unborn,” the ruling stated.

[South Carolina Supreme Court Upholds 6-Week Abortion Ban | The Daily Wire](#)



SCIENTISTS CREATE HUMAN EMBRYO MODEL

Cambridge University researchers developed the world’s first synthetic human embryo models using stem cells but without using an egg or sperm. “We are playing with fire here [by] experimenting with the origins of human life when it’s not quite clear how we would know when what we’ve created is actually a human being,” said Melissa Moschella, a philosophy professor at The Catholic University of America.

[First reported synthetic human embryo sparks ethical concerns, creates questions | Catholic News Agency](#)