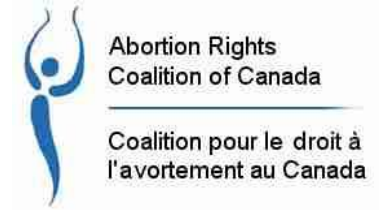


# Top 25 Largest, Wealthiest, or Worst Anti-choice Groups in Canada



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Of the [over 300 anti-choice groups in Canada](#), we have selected the “top 25” in three broad categories: political anti-choice, crisis pregnancy centre, and right-wing multi-issue. Thirteen of the groups are charities. (This list will be kept updated and some groups may change.)

The groups are listed in **alphabetical order** in each category – **not ranked** – and meet one or more of the following inclusion criteria. The first criterion is objective; the others are based on ARCC’s judgment:

1. Charities with annual revenues of about \$750,000 or more according to latest-filed CRA tax return (over [75% of anti-choice groups](#) have charitable tax status)
2. Large – has many chapters, or many paid staff, or large membership (as estimated by ARCC, accurate counts usually not available)
3. Externally influential – potential ability to influence politics, law, society, or media.
4. Internally influential – supports, defends, or organizes other anti-choice groups; or acts as umbrella group.

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<b>1. Anti-choice political and advocacy groups whose main issue is abortion</b>				
<b>Alliance for Life Ontario</b>	Guelph ON	3,4	N	<p><i>“...the provincial coordinating organization for educational groups across Ontario. We present a united voice to bring about greater respect for the dignity and worth of all human beings from conception/fertilization to natural death.”</i></p> <p>An umbrella group for anti-choice advocacy groups but also carries out its own activities. It lists 58 affiliate groups on its website, all in Ontario, but about half appear inactive or defunct. It also has a chapter in Saskatoon.</p> <p>One of Canada’s oldest anti-choice groups. In May 1975, the Alliance created the “Petition of One Million” for “full legal protection for the unborn”, gathering over a million signatures. It received Canada Summer Jobs funding prior to 2018.</p> <p>In 2010 and 2012, it placed TV ads against abortion; both were found to contravene the <i>Canadian Code of Advertising Standards</i>.</p> <p>Executive Director is Jakki Jeffs (originally headed by Gwen Landolt, now of REAL Women).</p> <p><a href="http://allianceforlife.org/">http://allianceforlife.org/</a></p>

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<b>Campaign Life Coalition</b>	Toronto ON	2,3	N	<p><i>"...the national pro-life organization working at all levels of government to secure full legal protection for all human beings, from the time of conception to natural death. We defend the sanctity of human life against threats posed by abortion, euthanasia, doctor assisted suicide, reproductive and genetic technologies, cloning, infanticide, eugenics, population control, and threats to the family."</i></p> <p>The CLC is Canada's national, political anti-choice group and is highly active in politics and media. The CLC supports incremental policies that would eventually ban abortion for any reason, but not policies that seem to "permit" some abortions, such as 20-week bans. It tracks the positions of elected officials and candidates across Canada on abortion and other social conservative issues.</p> <p>President is Jeff Gunnarson, but long-time president Jim Hughes is still there.</p> <p>Founded in 1978. <a href="http://www.campaignlifecoalition.com">www.campaignlifecoalition.com</a></p>
<b>Canadian Centre for Bio-Ethical Reform</b>	Calgary AB	2,3	N	<p><i>"CCBR's concentrated effort is based on a solid strategy ... centred on abortion victim photography as an educational tool that exposes the injustice of abortion in a uniquely powerful way, and making a case for human rights for all human beings through conversation."</i></p> <p>The group's main tactics are to hand-deliver postcards/flyers to residential homes showing alleged aborted fetuses, and displaying graphic signs on busy public sidewalks and at universities.</p> <p>Over 2016-17, it tried to advertise on city transit buses (not with graphic images), but mostly failed except in Peterborough. The group is very litigious.</p> <p>Based in Calgary with an office in Toronto. Main spokespersons are Jonathon Van Maren and Devorah Gilman. Toronto outreach director is Blaise Alleyne.</p> <p>Founded in 1999 (at UBC by Stephanie Gray) as an affiliate of Center for Bio-Ethical Reform in California.</p> <p>Was able to raise over \$150,000 via crowdfunding to replace Canada Summer Jobs funding that was denied in 2017, but which it later got reinstated via a <a href="#">lawsuit</a>.</p> <p><a href="http://www.endthekilling.ca">www.endthekilling.ca</a></p>

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<b>Guelph &amp; Area Right to Life Association</b>	Guelph ON	3	Y	<p><i>"Our mission is to promote greater respect for the dignity and worth of all human beings from conception/fertilization to natural death."</i></p> <p>The group places many anti-choice bus ads around town.</p> <p>It is linked to CCBR and was part of the successful <a href="#">2017 lawsuit</a> to recoup funding denied from Canada Summer Jobs program.</p> <p>In 2016, it funded "<a href="#">The Garden of Grace</a>" in Guelph, a "memorial for life lost through miscarriage or abortion".</p> <p>In 2017, it partnered on the "<a href="#">Petition of 1 million</a>" with Alliance for Life, to "protect the life of every Canadian from his/her biological beginnings".</p> <p>President is Kristin Swaving. Total revenue 2016: \$221,932. <a href="http://guelphforlife.com/">http://guelphforlife.com/</a></p>
<b>Life Canada / Life Collective</b>	Carleton Place ON	3,4	N	<p><i>"...established in 2000 to operate as a national association of local and provincial educational pro-life groups across Canada in order to promote the value of human life, to serve our members, and to advocate for the most vulnerable members of society."</i></p> <p>An umbrella group that lists 24 member groups on its website (mostly anti-choice and a few anti-euthanasia groups) but claims to have over 70 member groups.</p> <p>They collaborate with member groups to reach Canadians through multi-media campaigns, national polling, educational resources, and through training and programs for members.</p> <p>They publish <i>Reflections Magazine</i> and hold an annual national conference.</p> <p>They develop and place anti-choice ads on billboards, television, radio, and websites (many of which contravene the <i>Canadian Code of Advertising Standards</i>).</p> <p>President is Peter Ryan. <a href="https://lifecollective.io/lifecanada">https://lifecollective.io/lifecanada</a> • <a href="https://lifecollective.io/">https://lifecollective.io/</a></p>
<b>LifeSiteNews.com</b>	Toronto ON	2,3	N	<p>A major anti-choice news website that publishes a dozen or so original articles daily, plus blogs and articles from other sources, with the stated goal of providing "balance and more accurate coverage on culture, life and family matters than is usually given by other media."</p> <p>It is also anti-LGBT and against medical assistance in dying.</p> <p>It has a wide reach and issues daily newsletters to U.S., international, and Canadian subscribers.</p> <p>It was <a href="#">sued in 2010</a> by pro-choice Catholic priest Raymond Gravel in Quebec for defamation. The case ended when Gravel became ill and died.</p> <p>It has 23 paid staff members (as of Nov 2018), some stationed in other countries.</p> <p>It relies on donations and ad revenue and runs several annual fundraisers for about \$200,000 each.</p> <p>Originally started by Campaign Life Coalition in 1997. <a href="http://www.lifesitenews.com/">www.lifesitenews.com/</a></p>

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<b>National Campus Life Network</b>	Toronto ON	2,4	N	<p><i>“NCLN mentors and trains students to be pro-life leaders, supporting them with the resources they need to effectively reach their peers and thereby change the culture.” “We focus on campuses in order to: reach those most vulnerable to abortion • form leaders on campus and beyond • transform culture.”</i></p> <p>The NCLN works to advance freedom of expression for anti-choice groups on campus, and meets with MPs to “to discuss campus free speech issues”.</p> <p>It hosts workshops to train “pro-life leaders.” Over 2017/18, it ran a “Bloody Sexism” campaign against sex selection abortion on 11 campuses.</p> <p>Its website currently lists <a href="#">41 anti-choice advocacy groups</a> on university and college campuses across Canada. <a href="http://www.ncln.ca/">www.ncln.ca/</a></p>
<b>RightNow</b>	Toronto ON	3	N	<p><i>“RightNow exists to nominate and elect pro-life politicians by mobilizing Canadians... to vote at local nomination meetings, and provide training to volunteers across the country to create effective campaign teams in every riding across Canada.”</i></p> <p>The group’s goal is to get anti-choice politicians elected with the hope they will pass laws against abortion, including a criminal law, a ban on abortions after 24 weeks, an “Unborn Victim of Crimes Act” that would make fetuses legal persons, a law requiring parental consent for abortion, and a law requiring ultrasound prior to abortion. It also wants to defund abortion. The group’s strategy is described in <a href="#">“The Game of Inches.”</a></p> <p>Together with Campaign Life Coalition, RightNow was instrumental in electing:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Andrew Scheer</a> as federal Conservative Party leader</li> <li>• <a href="#">Doug Ford</a> as leader of Progressive Conservative Party in Ontario (now Premier)</li> <li>• <a href="#">Scott Moe</a> as Saskatchewan Party <a href="#">leader</a> (now Premier)</li> <li>• <a href="#">Jason Kenney</a> as UCP leader in Alberta, and other UCP candidates</li> </ul> <p>In July 2018 in Alberta, RightNow said it was <a href="#">helping 52 anti-abortion candidates</a> win local nominations (out of 87 ridings) to run for Kenney’s party in Alberta’s 2019 provincial election</p> <p>Co-founders: Alissa Golob and Scott Hayward. Closely linked to Campaign Life Coalition, where Golob used to work. <a href="http://www.itstartsrighnow.ca">www.itstartsrighnow.ca</a></p>

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<p><b>Saskatchewan Pro-life Association (SPLA)</b>  <i>Also known as:</i>  Saskatchewan Pro-Life Association Educational Trust Foundation</p>	Regina SK	3	Y	<p><i>“We, with the grace of God, through Prayer, Education and Political action, work for the respect and protection of all human life from conception to natural death.”</i></p> <p>This is a partisan political group with charitable tax status through its “educational trust foundation”, but the groups appear indistinguishable.</p> <p>The SPLA has several sections on its website devoted to politics, explaining where elected officials stand, advocating passage of anti-abortion laws, helping supporters to contact politicians, etc. The group was <a href="#">active in the 2015</a> federal election campaign. SPLA works together with RightNow, We Need a Law, and ARPA Canada on political campaigns.</p> <p>The SPLA was <a href="#">mentioned</a> by RightNow as one of the groups working at the Conservative Party policy convention in Halifax in Aug 2018, helping to pass anti-choice resolutions.</p> <p>The SPLA <a href="#">supported the election</a> of Scott Moe as Saskatchewan Party leader in Jan 2018 (he’s now Premier) and <a href="#">planned to work with him</a> to pass a parental consent law against abortion. It has a <a href="#">campaign for this law</a> on its website, along with a <a href="#">detailed position paper</a> supporting the law.</p> <p>In 2014, the SPLA invited Peter LaBarbera, leader of an anti-gay hate group, to <a href="#">speak at its provincial convention</a> in Weyburn, SK.</p> <p>Total revenue 2017: \$38,337.</p> <p>The SPLA has two websites: <a href="https://www.saskprolife.com/">https://www.saskprolife.com/</a> and <a href="https://lifecollective.io/spla">https://lifecollective.io/spla</a></p>
<p><b>Right to Life Association of Toronto and Area</b></p>	Toronto ON	3	Y	<p><i>“We educate schools, churches and community groups on life issues... We oppose the violence of abortion, fetal and embryonic experimentation, embryonic stem cell research, unethical reproductive technologies, infanticide, assisted suicide and euthanasia.”</i></p> <p>The group has a speaker program and also offers student grants for “pro-life projects.” It works closely with CCBR and co-hosts activism and training programs for high school students.</p> <p>It <a href="#">sued the federal government</a> in 2018 after being denied eligibility for the Canada Summer Jobs program.</p> <p>President is Blaise Alleyne (also outreach director of Toronto CCBR).</p> <p>Total revenue 2016/17: \$260,122. <a href="https://trtl.ca/">https://trtl.ca/</a></p>

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<b>We Need a Law</b>	Ottawa ON	3	N	<p><i>“Mission: We mobilize Canadians and persuade our political leaders to pass laws that protect children before birth.” Also: “...to build a groundswell of support among the Canadian public for abortion legislation.”</i></p> <p>This group is an initiative of Association for Reformed Political Action (ARPA Canada). The campaign’s goal is to pass an <a href="#">“international standards law”</a> that criminalizes all self-induced abortion, as well as abortion by a doctor after 12 weeks except to save a woman’s life or to prevent “severe pathological physical morbidity”.</p> <p>Other priorities include a law prohibiting sex-selective abortions, and a law to protect “pre-born victims of crime.”</p> <p>The group often mounts <a href="#">displays of 1000’s of pink and blue flags</a> to represent aborted fetuses, usually in public parks.</p> <p>Director is Mike Schouten. <a href="https://weneedalaw.ca/">https://weneedalaw.ca/</a></p>
<b>Wilberforce Project</b>	Edmonton AB	3,4	N	<p>Mandates: <i>“to serve as a hub for pro-life activity throughout Alberta; to educate Albertans on the issue of abortion; To protect human life through political advocacy on behalf of the pre-born.”</i></p> <p>Originally called Alberta Pro-Life, renamed after British slavery abolitionist William Wilberforce (1759-1833).</p> <p>The group has been <a href="#">very involved politically in Alberta</a> over 2017/18 – recruiting, training, and canvassing for candidates, and swaying policy at the UCP convention. It <a href="#">endorsed Jason Kenney</a> as UCP Leader in the 2017 leadership contest.</p> <p>It wants “conscience rights” for anti-choice healthcare workers, and a parental consent law for abortion.</p> <p>It runs petitions, including against Alberta’s safe access zone, against a motion to expand abortion services in rural Alberta, and against the Canada Summer Jobs attestation requirement.</p> <p>Stephanie Fennelly is executive director. <a href="http://thewilberforceproject.nationbuilder.com/">http://thewilberforceproject.nationbuilder.com/</a></p>

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<b>2. CPCs and their support organizations – "crisis pregnancy centres" that counsel clients against abortion</b>				
<b>Birthright International</b>	Toronto ON	2,4	Y	<p><i>"Birthright is committed to providing confidential, non-judgmental support to any woman who is pregnant or thinks she might be pregnant..."</i></p> <p>A "pregnancy support service" that claims hundreds of centres in Canada, the United States, and Africa. Only 19 centres now exist in Canada, a significant decline since the 1990's.</p> <p>It is known for its ads inside buses, on transit benches, etc.</p> <p>Total revenue 2016: \$207,932 for the international group, not individual locations.</p> <p>Founded in 1968 by Catholic Louise Summerhill. <a href="http://birthright.org/">http://birthright.org/</a></p>
<b>Calgary Pregnancy Care Centre Association</b>	Calgary AB	1,2	Y	<p><i>A "non-profit agency offering assistance for anyone facing an unplanned pregnancy or experiencing post-abortion stress."</i></p> <p>A crisis pregnancy centre that claims to provide peer counselling on options when faced when an unexpected pregnancy. The centre provides "sex education" but the Calgary Board of Education <a href="#">cut ties</a> with the organization in Sept 2018. The centre also provides "Post Abortion" Facilitator Training.</p> <p>In Oct 2018, the centre surpassed a fundraising goal of \$200,000.</p> <p>Founded in 1985. Two locations: Calgary and Strathmore in Alberta.</p> <p>Total revenue 2016/17: \$1,257,984. <a href="https://www.pregcare.com/">https://www.pregcare.com/</a></p>
<b>Canadian Association of Pregnancy Support Services</b>	Red Deer AB	2,4	Y	<p><i>"...a Christ-centred national ministry dedicated to providing support for life and sexual health by partnering with pregnancy care centres across Canada"</i></p> <p>CAPSS is a federal association that any "Crisis Pregnancy Centre" (CPC) can align itself with. It currently has about 74 affiliated CPCs. Affiliated centres: "...[must not] recommend or refer for abortions or abortifacients..." and must abide by religious directives that are no longer publicly available on its website, but are <a href="#">summarized here</a>.</p> <p>It boasts "The Seal of Accountability" from the Canadian Council of Christian Charities. Executive Director is Dr. Laura Lewis, a registered physician and member of "Canadian Physicians for Life" an anti-choice organization.</p> <p>Total revenue 2017: \$303,926. <a href="https://capss.com/">https://capss.com/</a></p>

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<b>Central Alberta Pregnancy Care Centre Society</b>	Red Deer AB	1	Y	<p>This CPC states that <i>“Providing abortion information is our specialty.”</i> The centre offers medical referrals, pregnancy tests, peer counseling, information on sexual health, and a 24-hour helpline. However, it has disclaimers on the website stating it is not a medical facility. The centre is currently raising money to build a maternity home. Goal: \$3,600,000, 81% raised as of Nov 2018.</p> <p>In Oct 2018, the centre was <a href="#">nominated</a> for the Red Deer &amp; District Chamber of Commerce Business of the Year Award.</p> <p>Four locations: Red Deer, Olds, Rocky Mountain House, Sundre</p> <p>Total revenue 2016: \$744,540. <a href="http://www.pregnancycaresociety.ca/">www.pregnancycaresociety.ca/</a></p>
<b>Christian Advocacy Society of Greater Vancouver</b>	Burnaby BC	2,4	Y	<p><i>“We are a faith-based agency providing compassionate help and resources for women experiencing unintended pregnancies, post abortion grief, domestic abuse and sexual assault.”</i></p> <p>A religious group that runs two anti-choice “crisis pregnancy centres” in BC and trains their peer counsellors.</p> <p>The group sued Joyce Arthur (Executive Director of ARCC) in 2013 for defamation <a href="#">but lost</a>.</p> <p>Founded in 1990 and claims to have helped over 18,000 women.</p> <p>Total revenue 2016/17: \$544,349. <a href="http://christianadvocacy.ca/">http://christianadvocacy.ca/</a></p>
<b>Family Support Centre of Winnipeg Inc.</b>	Winnipeg MB	1	Y	<p>Mission and purpose: to <i>“love, care for and practically assist clients we serve”</i>.</p> <p>The centre is a not-for-profit charity providing services such as legal and medical referrals, public school presentations, healthy sexuality presentations, infant loss counselling and support. It operates from a social conservative religious perspective and is anti-abortion. It runs a 24-hour helpline and the Crisis Pregnancy Centre of Winnipeg:</p> <p><a href="http://pregnancy.ca/">http://pregnancy.ca/</a></p> <p>Founded in 1985. Total revenue 2016: \$786,384. <a href="http://www.familysupportcentre.ca/">www.familysupportcentre.ca/</a></p>
<b>Signal Hill Life Education Society</b>	Langley BC	1,2	Y	<p>A non-profit “life education” society that states it helps young people become <i>“thriving leaders who positively influence their communities.”</i></p> <p>Specifically, it advocates for teaching early the value of “human life at conception”. It promotes anti-choice rhetoric through education, media and practical support.</p> <p>It provides a variety of presentations that can be given to various organizations, with a focus on schools.</p> <p>It researches and writes articles on its anti-choice values as it believes that young people are in a “value crisis”.</p> <p>Total revenue 2017: \$831,499. <a href="https://thesignalhill.com/">https://thesignalhill.com/</a></p>



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<b>3. Right-wing groups that work on a variety of issues, including abortion</b>				
<b>Association for Reformed Political Action (ARPA Canada)</b>	Ottawa ON	2,3	N	<p><i>"Mission ... to educate, equip, and encourage Reformed Christians to political action and to bring a biblical perspective to our civil authorities."</i></p> <p>A political lobby group that works on multiple issues from a social conservative religious perspective, including abortion, mostly through its WeNeedaLaw.ca campaign.</p> <p>It is also against LGBT rights especially transgender rights, sex worker rights, medical assistance in dying, and comprehensive sex education.</p> <p>It intervenes in court cases (to protect right-wing freedom of expression and religion), meets with MPs, submits "Policy reports to Parliamentarians", and creates "Lesson plans" for Christian schools.</p> <p>Its staff are mostly from Christian Reformed churches, including Executive Director Mark Penninga.</p> <p>Founded in 2007. <a href="https://arpacanada.ca/">https://arpacanada.ca/</a></p>
<b>deVeber Institute for Bioethics and Social Research</b>	Toronto ON	3	Y	<p>The Institute: <i>"...conducts and disseminates research on topics connected to human life in its biological, social and ethical dimensions."</i></p> <p>Canadian purveyor of B.A.D. science (biased, agenda-driven). <a href="#">Here's an example.</a></p> <p>It published a research book in 2013: "Complications: Abortion's impact on women" about the supposed dangers and negative impacts of abortion, but the book ignored research that contradicted its agenda, and the scientific consensus that abortion is safe.</p> <p>In 2014, Dr. Debora Zenni of deVeber gave an anti-choice presentation to the <a href="#">Health PEI Board</a>, citing her book "Women's Health After Abortion."</p> <p>It has received significant Canada Summer Jobs funds (until 2018).</p> <p>Total revenue 2017: \$78,814. <a href="https://www.deveber.org/">https://www.deveber.org/</a></p>

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<b>Evangelical Fellowship of Canada</b>	Richmond Hill ON	1,2,3	Y	<p>Mission: <i>“Uniting Evangelicals to bless Canada in the name of Jesus”</i>. Also: <i>“the national association of evangelical Christians in Canada. It gathers Evangelicals together for impact, influence and identity in ministry and public witness.”</i></p> <p>This organization works to lobby Parliament and take on the Canadian courts in order to push for a literal interpretation of the Bible. It does a lot of research on how to retain people within the church and change the culture.</p> <p>It publishes a magazine “Love Is Moving” for youth and young adults, and “Faith Today”, a Canadian Christian magazine.</p> <p>It has an anti-choice stance and intervened to <a href="#">fight against</a> the requirement of the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Ontario that objecting doctors must refer for abortion and assisted dying.</p> <p>Formed by a group of pastors in 1964.</p> <p>Total revenue 2016/17: \$3,315,330. <a href="http://www.evangelicalfellowship.ca/">www.evangelicalfellowship.ca/</a></p>
<b>Institute for Canadian Values</b>	Toronto ON	3	N	<p><i>“Where there is no vision – the people perish”</i></p> <p>Ironically, the group’s website lacks clear statements about who they are or their objectives and activities. However, the group is anti-choice, anti sex-ed, and anti-LGBT, particularly against transgender rights. It is also against medical assistance in dying.</p> <p>It ran a petition against Trudeau’s denial of Canada Summer Jobs funding to anti-choice groups, but on the false premise that funding was denied to Christian groups if they refused to support women’s reproductive rights and LGBT rights.</p> <p>In Sep 2011, the National Post ran an ad by ICV against certain sex-ed topics in the Ontario school curriculum. The ad was hateful against transsexual, transgender, and intersex persons, and the Post <a href="#">apologized</a>.</p> <p>In 2011, ICV’s President was evangelical minister Charles McVety. Six religious charities operate out of the same building as ICV (50 Gervais Drive, Toronto).</p> <p><a href="http://canadianvalues.ca/ICV/">http://canadianvalues.ca/ICV/</a></p>

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Justice Centre for Constitutional Freedoms	Calgary AB	1,2,3,4	Y	<p><i>"Founded in 2010 as a voice for freedom in Canada's courtrooms, the JCCF's mission is to defend the constitutional freedoms of Canadians through litigation and education."</i></p> <p>A legal services group that primarily defends the "right" of fundamentalist Christians to discriminate against others under the guise of freedom of religion and freedom of expression. It prioritizes those two Charter rights over others, in contradiction to the Charter and the rights of vulnerable groups.</p> <p>The JCCF <a href="#">intervenes in court cases</a>, including those where Christians have been denied their "right" to discriminate based on their bigotry. It intervened in the Canada Summer Jobs lawsuit in 2018, based on the false premise that groups are required to "express agreement with the Liberal governments' views on abortion and sexuality".</p> <p>In Nov 2018, JCCF president John Carpay <a href="#">compared the Pride flag to swastikas</a>, resulting in a firestorm of criticism and a weak apology from Carpay that confirmed he views LGBT rights as a threat to the religious freedom of Christians.</p> <p>Founded in 2010. President is John Carpay.</p> <p>Total revenue 2016: \$1,008,807. <a href="http://www.jccf.ca">www.jccf.ca</a></p>
REAL Women of Canada	Ottawa ON	2,3	N	<p><i>"...a pro-family women's movement. Our common bond is our belief that the family is the most important unit in society."</i></p> <p>A social conservative advocacy group that is opposed to feminism, abortion, LGBT rights, and universal childcare. REAL stands for "Realistic, Equal, Active, (for) Life" Its original motto was: "Women's rights, but not at the expense of human rights."</p> <p>In 2006, it launched a campaign to defund Status of Women Canada, which led to major funding cuts under Stephen Harper, including the closure of most SWC offices and changes to its mandate to eliminate the objectives of equality and advocacy for women's rights.</p> <p>In 2013, founder Gwen Landoldt became the subject of controversy when <a href="#">she condemned</a> then-Foreign Affairs Minister John Baird's support for the human rights of LGBT people in oppressive nations like Uganda and Russia, even though Uganda had a "kill the gays" bill.</p> <p>The group has lobbied in favour of laws to promote the Judeo-Christian model of family life, and to support homemaking. It intervened in several court cases related to abortion, including Morgentaler 1988, and R. v. Sullivan 1991 to argue that a fetus is a person.</p> <p>Founded in 1983. <a href="http://www.realwomenofcanada.ca/">www.realwomenofcanada.ca/</a></p>