

BACKGROUND: In the fall of 2015, the state of Arizona determined that **after more than 30 years**, Planned Parenthood Arizona would be **excluded** from the State Employee Charitable Campaign (SECC). [SB 1485](#) would enshrine that decision permanently in state law.



The **SECC** allows state employees to have their charitable donations deducted directly from their paychecks and automatically directed to the charities of their choice – and there are **OVER 400 DIFFERENT** non-profit organizations to choose from. There are churches and religious, civil and environmental organizations represented.

SECC-ELIGIBLE CHARITIES REQUIREMENTS

- non-profit, tax exempt, charitable organization
- supported through voluntary contributions from the general public
- providing **DIRECT AND PRIMARY** health and human services **or**
- those actively engaged in environmental or historical protection, enhancement, restoration, preservation or conservation

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In addition to **40+ religiously-focused** groups state employees **can donate to** through the SECC, extremist groups like these are also eligible:

ALLIANCE DEFENDING FREEDOM [ADF]: “We focus exclusively on legal cases and projects impacting religious liberty, the sanctity of life, and marriage and family” states ADF’s website. ADF also claims their allies are similar hate groups identified by the Southern Poverty Law Center* (Family Research Council, American Family Association along with several others).

AMERICAN FAMILY ASSOCIATION [AFA]: classified as an anti-gay HATE GROUP since 2009 by the Southern Poverty Law Center.

<https://www.splcenter.org/fighting-hate/extremist-files/group/american-family-association>

FOCUS ON THE FAMILY: Listed as an extremist organization monitored by SPLC.

State employees can donate to hate groups but not Planned Parenthood?!
#SB1485 has got to go! #StandWithPP



SB 1485 WOULD...

- ⊗ Prevent state employees from directing their charitable contributions to "non-federally qualified" abortion providers in Arizona (i.e. Planned Parenthood Arizona) through the SECC's payroll deduction. "Federally qualified abortions" are only for rape, incest, or to save the life of the mother.
- ⊗ **Constrain state employees'** ability to efficiently make charitable contributions of their own personal funds to legitimate organizations serving vital health care needs.
- ⊗ Anoint **winners and losers** among lawfully operating charities instead of applying one uniform rule for inclusion in the SECC.
- ⊗ **Stigmatize** employees who support Planned Parenthood or other abortion providers.

* REFERENCE: SOUTHERN POVERTY LAW CENTER [SPLC] Civil rights lawyers Morris Dees and Joseph Levin Jr. founded the SPLC in 1971 to ensure that the promise of the civil rights movement became a reality for all. SPLC monitors hate groups across the United States.