

Direct Relief

Stance on Abortion & Contraception

<https://www.directrelief.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/04/FY2022-Direct-Relief-Annual-Report.pdf>

- In their 2022 Annual Report, Direct Relief announced that: “In the U.S., Direct Relief has launched a number of initiatives to reduce barriers to women accessing family planning services, including access to long-acting reversible contraception.” (p. 18)
- They also boast that they have had “23,489 IUDS DELIVERED To 50 U.S. states, D.C., Puerto Rico, & the U.S. Virgin Islands.” (p.18)

<https://www.directrelief.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/01/063022-Direct-Relief-Public-Disclosure-Copy-990-Only.pdf>

- On page 184 of their 2021-2022 990, Direct Relief lists that it has financially given \$401,648 in 2021-2022 between 8 Planned Parenthood clinics in the US. The 8 clinics include:
 - ◆ PP of California, PP of Indiana and Kentucky, PP Keystone, PP of Greater Ohio, PP of South, East, & North Florida Pembroke Pines, PP of the Gulf, PP South Texas, & PP Southeast, Inc. East Atlanta.
 - ◆ Direct Relief lists that it gives a grant to these 8 clinics for the purpose of “Support to US Clinics and Health Centers for low-income, uninsured patients.” However, for non-cash assistance, they list that they give to PP for their “Pharmaceuticals, medical supplies, and equipment.”
 - ◆ Also, Planned Parenthood announced that PP of Indiana and Kentucky received the \$50,000 grant (reported in the 990 21-22) from Direct Relief in April 2022- <https://www.plannedparenthood.org/about-us/newsroom/press-releases/planned-parenthood-health-center-selected-for-50-000-direct-relief-community-health-award-to-close-health-care-access-disparities-in-kentucky>

<https://www.directrelief.org/issue/reproductive-health/>

- One of the main goals of Direct Relief is reproductive health, which includes its Medicine 360 partnership for providing women with “reversible contraception” (IUDs).

<https://www.directrelief.org/2022/09/demand-for-contraceptives-increases-as-barriers-to-access-persist/>

- This article critiques the reversal of Roe v. Wade and the result of health clinics shutting down, making it more difficult for women to be educated or have access to abortion and contraception.
 - ◆ “The temporary and permanent closures of these businesses and the newest abortion restrictions have limited residents’ access to learn about and address family planning.”



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