



## **AMERICA'S FUTURE, INC.**

Founded in 1946, America's Future, Inc. is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit educational organization and a national leader in the fight to preserve American values and ideals, protect citizens' individual rights and the nation's Constitutional Republic system of government, promote strong American families, revitalize the role of faith in our society, and advance the virtues of free market capitalism.

## **Project Defend & Protect Our Children**

Project Defend & Protect Our Children (PDPC) is a nationwide grassroots initiative launched in December 2022 that aims to protect and defend children from the horrors of child exploitation, abuse, trafficking, and neglect by perpetrators and harmful environments that destroy their precious innocence, physical and mental well-being, and safety.

America's Future established the PDPC Little Flower Advisory Board to assist in executing on the key objectives of the initiative. The advisors include acclaimed experts and leaders in the professional areas of the prevention, protection, rescue and recovery of exploited and trafficked children, investigative journalism, law, policy development, and business. The expert team focuses PDPC's work in the areas of education and advocacy, legal research and policy development, and multimedia communications to achieve the following key objectives:

- **Expose** the causes and truth of trafficking, neglect, and abuse inflicted on children by predators including cartels crossing into our country through the open southern border selling children for sex and slave labor, to government agencies and NGOs' that are too often willing partners in the neglect of our children in their care, to schools exploiting children by forcing curriculum in classrooms that defy morality and decency, to politicians and policy-makers whose failure to act allows the nightmare of horrors imposed on our children to escalate in America;
- **Educate** the public with facts to raise awareness that this tragedy requires a nationwide response starting in our communities and states; and,
- **Eradicate** child trafficking and the exploitation of children in America once and for all.

Members of America's Future PDPC Advisory Board include Lara Logan, award-winning investigative journalist and member of America's Future Board of Directors, Tara Lee Rodas, HHS whistleblower who exposed government-sponsored, taxpayer-funded child trafficking at the southern border; Baz Bazzel, founder and president of the Association for the Recovery of Children (ARC); Tina Paulson Bazzel, ARC Human Trafficking Program Director; Silvia Almond, president of Save Our Adolescents From Prostitution (S.O.A.P.); Liz Crokin, investigative journalist, author, and producer; Lynze Piper-Loomis, overcomer and author of "I Am Silent No More;" Mike Smith, film producer and director of "Out of Shadows;" Brian Gamble, CIO, O'Keefe Media Group, and Attorneys Ben Moore, Alicia Kutzer, and Bill Olson. Leading the initiative are America's Future Executive Director Mary O'Neill and Chair of the Board, General Mike Flynn.

## **GET IN THE FIGHT Campaign**

As part of the PDPC strategy to reach its objectives, America's Future originated the *GET IN THE FIGHT* campaign to educate and raise awareness of the tragedy of child exploitation and trafficking across the country, and to build a network of grassroots, community-based steward-leaders for children in every state in the nation to help prevent and end the war on children in America.

The comprehensive nationwide campaign will include - in each state - a premiere state summit, i.e. Florida State Summit, Texas State Summit, Michigan State Summit and so forth, with speakers and presentations by subject matter experts (speakers will be in-state and/or out-of-state experts, as appropriate) and a series of training programs developed for specific industry professionals such as hospitality, real estate, law enforcement, etc., parents and caring adults, and children (pre-teen and teen), as well as a six-day program with a concentration on equipping participants with the knowledge and skills in the areas of rescue and recovery of victims.

The series of training programs are offered by skilled members of the PDPC Advisory Board and/or in collaboration with esteemed instructors from organizations that are well-established as specifically providing education and training to the target audiences about preventative tactics regarding all areas of child exploitation and trafficking. Prior to a collaborative agreement, each organization and training instructor will be vetted for background, experience, and credentials.

To execute each state's *GET IN THE FIGHT* program, America's Future works with state residents from community-based organizations, and interested parties such as law enforcement, parent groups, etc. These local leaders form the base of the state's grassroots steward-leaders for children groups. Once trained, they become key resources for other residents in the state and are part of the America's Future PDPC nationwide network of community-based steward-leaders.