

## Executive Summary:

### The Enormous Fiscal & Social Benefits of Family Planning

The U.S. government spends 2.4 billion dollars on family planning via the Title X program and Medicaid. These funds go mostly to the 8000 plus women's health clinics run by states and private entities. Using only 3 of 79 welfare programs available to the safety-net population, (TANF, Food Stamps, and Medicaid) plus the first 9 years of school (k-8), the economic and social benefits for the United States are as follows:

#### Welfare Benefits:

- [\\$22.3 Billion after the first year](#)
- [\\$176 Billion after 12 years from the first year's funding](#)
- [\\$2 Trillion reduction in U.S. costs if funded for next 12 years](#)
- [Eliminates the current federal budget deficit in less than 10 years if funded each year.](#)

#### Reduced social costs and health improvements:

- 678,000 abortions prevented after each year of funding.
- 289,000 miscarriages and low weight babies avoided each year of funding.
- [914,000 unplanned pregnancies avoided](#)
- Reduced teenage pregnancies.
- Reduces the number of safety-net families that are created, thus reducing poverty and entitlements in our country.
- Reduces the creation of single parent families.
- Increase the future earning ability of young women.
- Enable our education system to perform more efficiently.
- Enable the foster care system to function properly and minimize the need for foster care
- Family planning programs return 7.1 times their costs the first year in Medicaid costs and disease prevention in the 8000 funded women's clinics