

Life is Precious

- Family First is committed to the preservation and protection of human life, believing it to be both precious and of inestimable value.
- We believe in the right to life and are distressed at the abortion of 100,000 unborn babies in Australia each year.
- Recent changes in legislation, like those in Victoria, is leading to an increase in late term abortion.
- Family First opposes Medicare funding for gender-selected abortion.
- In Victoria there is almost one late-term abortion each day in the State many of these for “psycho-social” reasons. Figures from the 2007 annual report of the Consultative Council on Obstetric and Paediatric Mortality and Morbidity show that 345 late-term abortions were carried out in Victoria in 2007 – and 54 babies survived the procedure and were then left to die.
- Family First believes the lives of unborn children are precious and must be fought for.
- Similarly, Family First rejects euthanasia as an appropriate response to those who are old and sick and are committed to the support of palliative care programs which enable people to live with dignity for the whole of their lives.
- Supposed safeguards for euthanasia legislation don’t work. In Holland where euthanasia has been practiced since the 1990s, 1000 people per year are killed without their consent. The Dutch experience shows that so-called voluntary euthanasia quickly becomes non-voluntary euthanasia.
- Family First opposes any legislation which it considers diminishes the sanctity and value of human life.