



# Annual Report

Family Protection Ministries  
1986-2025

*For the LORD is good; his steadfast  
love endures forever, and his  
faithfulness to all generations.  
Psalm 100:5*

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# Our Mission

Defending the freedom of parents to train, educate and care for their children privately, without governmental interference.

Our work centers on four strategic steps: detect, analyze, monitor, and intervene.

## The 4 Steps



### **Detect**

Every year, thousands of bills are introduced in the California Legislature, and any one of them could affect parental rights or private homeschooling. Our first responsibility is to detect those threats early.



### **Analyze**

Once a potentially concerning bill is identified, we move to the analyze stage. Here we carefully study the bill's language, implications, and possible enforcement mechanisms.



### **Monitor**

Even after analysis, a bill can change significantly as it moves through the legislative process. That's why we continue to closely monitor every relevant bill.



### **Intervene**

When legislation threatens parental rights or private homeschool freedom, we take strategic action to intervene, including meeting with legislators and their staff, requesting amendments, drafting improved bill language, and working with allies to build support for positive changes.



# About Us

Family Protection Ministries was founded by Roy Hanson in 1986. Nathan Pierce began working at FPM in 2002. He currently serves as the Executive Director, leading the ministry with over 20 years of experience of advocacy work at the State Capitol.



The groundwork laid in 2025 — redesigned programs, scalable structures, high-impact events, and systems ready for growth — positions Family Protection Ministries to be one of the most strategic investments a donor can make in the fight for family, freedom, and biblical principles in the public square.

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**Our commitment remains unwavering as we continue to stand against policies that undermine parental authority and educational choice.**  
**We strive to serve the Lord Jesus Christ and glorify Him by serving you and others.**

# Year in Review

The horse is made ready for the day of battle, but the victory belongs to the LORD. Proverbs 21:31

**Legislation By the Numbers:**

- Bills Reviewed - 2833
- Letters Delivered - 397
- Bills Amended - 6
- Legislator Offices Reached - 240
- Homeschool Freedoms Kept - 100%

## 2025 Legislative Session

Throughout the 2025 California legislative session, Family Protection Ministries (FPM) remained on the front lines defending parental authority and the freedom of private home education. Because of your support, we scanned and tracked more than two thousand bills, engaged directly with lawmakers, and equipped families with timely, actionable guidance.

**Stopping Intrusive Mandates**

- AB 727 - We secured key amendments exempting private homeschool students from being forced to include LGBTQ chatroom hotlines on their student IDs.

**Protecting Homeschool Addresses & Student Safety**

- AB 767 - Curbed well-meaning efforts to protect private homeschoolers from sexually violent predators. Private homeschool locations would have been published—inadvertently posing serious safety risks to children.

**Defending Parental Rights in CPS-Related Bills**

- AB 601 - Engaged with the author's office on how this and other bills would change mandated-reporting. We expressed concerns about the erosion of long-standing parental protections. Bills were later amended.
- AB 495 - Expands California's caregiver affidavit law by allowing distant relatives to claim authority over children with no identity verification or parental knowledge. Although amended to be better than the original, FPM opposed the final version of AB 495 because it undermines parental rights and creates dangerous loopholes.

We now focus on educating parents, mobilizing leaders, and urging legislators nationwide to strengthen — not weaken — protections for the parent-child relationship.

**Resisting Government Control Through Tax-Funded "School Choice"**

FPM continued to expose the risks of Education Savings Accounts (ESAs) and similar programs that use public funds to influence private education. We analyzed new ESA proposals, educated families, and emphasized a core principle: public funding always brings public control.

**Preparing for Future Threats**

FPM warned leaders statewide about the emerging Make Homeschooling Safe Act (MHSA) model legislation—training families and organizations to recognize its regulatory language should it surface in California.



Nathan Pierce testifying in committee



**Israel Wayne,  
Founder of Family Renewal**

"The most important force protecting Californians from the onslaught of anti-family legislation is Nathan Pierce and Family Protection Ministries. If you care about the future of California, you need to consistently support their vital work!"



# Three Statewide Advocacy Events - Built to Grow

In 2025, FPM led three major events designed to train families and leaders in biblical citizenship and advocacy, serving hundreds across California.

## Capitol Day (Sacramento):

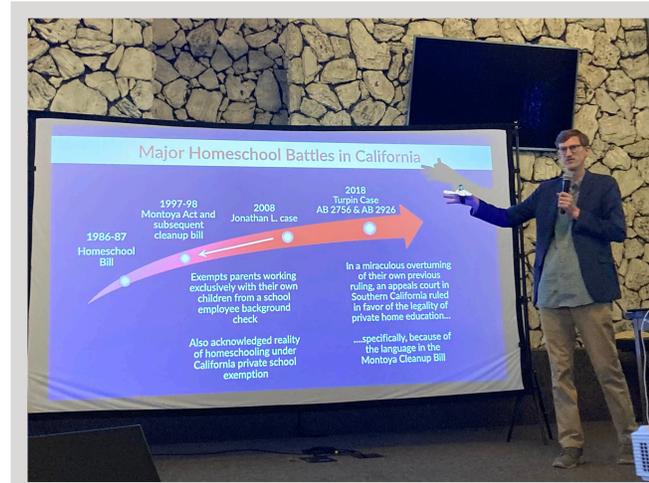
Our longest-running event (since 1990) brought 200 homeschoolers to the Capitol, visiting all 120 California State legislators and delivering a unified message of freedom and parental rights.

## Homeschool Freedom Day (San Diego):

A full-day advocacy training conference featuring multiple inspirational and practical speakers- now in its third iteration.

## Hold the Line (Simi Valley):

A powerful 2-hour seminar, held for the first time at the Ronald Reagan Presidential Library, equipping families with biblical tools for cultural and legislative engagement.



# 2025 By the Numbers



Advocates Trained: 345



Miles Traveled: 8,200+



Events with FPM Presence: 30



Total YouTube Views: 9,108



Government Class Students: 13



Interns Trained: 10



Event Attendees Reached: 5,760+



Media/Podcast Interviews: 8



Facebook Followers: 1.7K

# Where has FPM been?

- Redding
- Newcastle
- Roseville
- Sacramento
- Elk Grove
- Oakley
- Saratoga
- Hayward
- Fresno
- Simi Valley
- La Mirada
- La Mesa
- San Diego
- El Cajon
- Poway

We have not only been traveling around California this year, but also nationally.

- Texas: National Homeschool Conferences
- Nevada - STOA Debate Tournament
- Oklahoma - NITOC



# Helping Families Engage with FPM Events

Over the past 15 years, homeschool events in California have shifted dramatically. Many long-standing conferences have closed, regional gatherings have shrunk, and new groups are more spread out. As a result, reaching families now requires more travel, time, and effort.

Our purpose in connecting with families is to encourage them, provide clear updates on current threats, share the truth of the gospel, and remind parents to base their children's education on Scripture. We also emphasize the importance of staying engaged with FPM—through participation and financial support—so we can continue defending homeschool freedom.



Capitol Day 2025 families

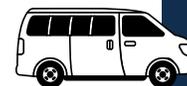
Family Protection Ministries travels statewide to meet with large and small groups, churches, co-ops, PSPs, and homeschool networks. These gatherings help us build new relationships and strengthen existing ones with those who care about protecting parental rights.

## How You Can Partner With Us

- Invite your local group—co-op, PSP, or support network—to attend an FPM event.
- Share updates through your email lists, social media, and organizational networks.
- Host an FPM meeting in your area.
- Introduce us to churches, leaders, or groups that need this information.
- Pray for wisdom, boldness, and open doors as we serve families statewide.
- Encourage families to financially support FPM so we can continue defending their freedom.

Every connection matters. Every update strengthens California families to hold the line for their children and their freedom.

## Fueling Statewide Outreach: A Ministry Vehicle



One of the most practical and high-impact ways a donor could help expand FPM's reach is by investing in a reliable ministry vehicle. Over the years, the Pierce family has received two donated vans from families who no longer needed them — in 2006 and again in 2017 — which have been a tremendous blessing not only to the family but also to the mission of FPM. These vehicles have made it possible to travel across California for speaking engagements, homeschool conferences, legislative visits, and advocacy training events that serve families statewide. Our current family vehicle, a 2001 Ford 15-passenger van, has been a faithful workhorse,

but it now requires frequent, costly repairs and is consuming increasing time and money to keep it going.

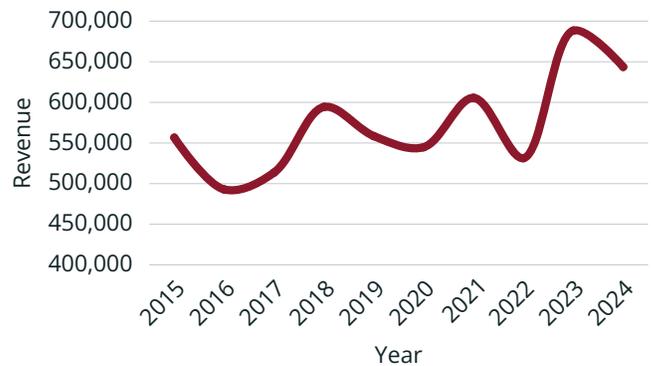
With our vision to continue to travel the state and reach more families, a reliable, used large-capacity van would greatly increase our flexibility, reduce travel costs, and enable us to respond quickly to opportunities across the state. This is a strategic and cost-effective investment that would multiply our presence and strengthen our ability to defend homeschool freedom wherever the need arises.



# Funding Report

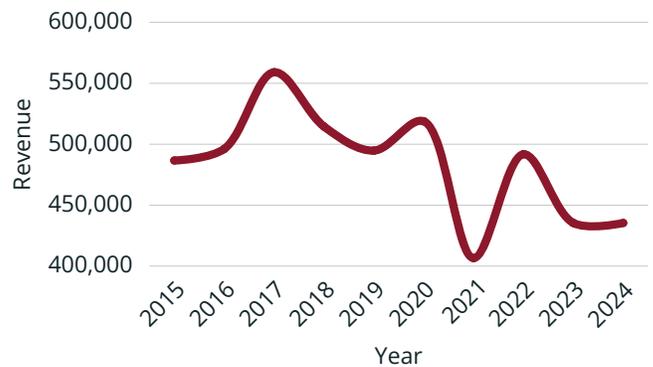
This chart shows FPM's income over the past 10 years. While annual donations have fluctuated, the overall average has remained fairly consistent for nearly two decades. God has continually provided just enough—sustaining us through intense legislative battles at times, and at other moments enabling us to train staff and volunteers for future work or to cover unexpected costs.

Annual Donation Revenue (2015-2024)



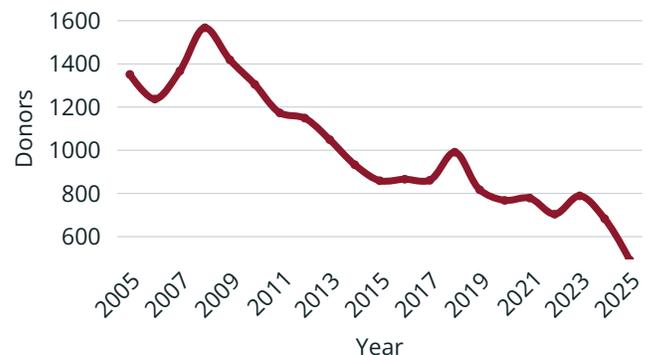
This chart reveals that although FPM's annual donations appear stable, their real value has steadily deteriorated. In 2015, inflation-adjusted donations were about \$550,000, but by 2024 their purchasing power had fallen to roughly \$435,000—a loss of about 20%. Despite consistent giving, FPM can now accomplish far less with the same dollar amounts than it could a decade ago.

Annual Donation Revenue Adjusted for Inflation



Over the past decade, the number of donors supporting Family Protection Ministries has steadily declined—from about 850 in 2015 to roughly 680 in 2024. This nearly 20% drop reflects a long-term decrease in donor engagement, not temporary fluctuations, highlighting a significant challenge for the organization.

Donors



## The Impact of the California Exodus

California has faced a significant shift over the past twenty years. Many families—especially those who have long supported our work—have left the state. We're raising roughly the same amount we did twenty years ago, but with inflation erasing so much of its value—and with only half as many donors—the loss in both resources and support feels especially heavy.

This moment calls for renewed strength. Our remaining supporters are deeply committed, but to meet the challenges ahead we must rebuild, expand our reach, and engage more families in this fight.

To continue and strengthen this mission, we need to grow both our financial base and the number of Californians who can stand with us when legislative threats arise.

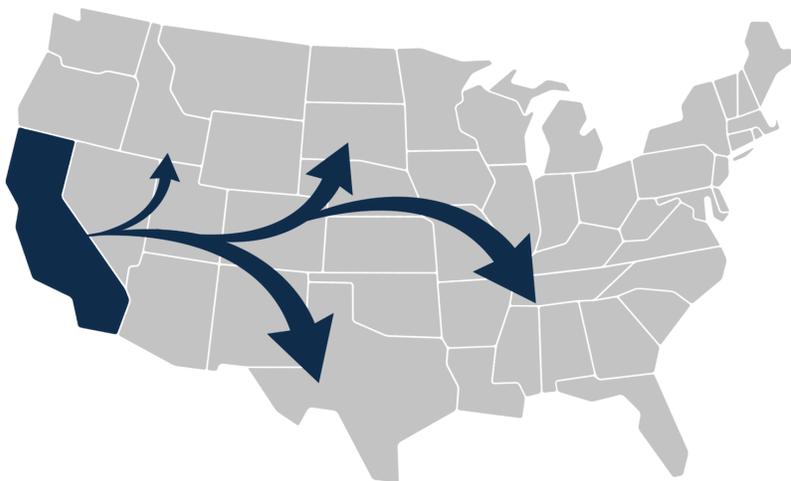
## A Call to Action - Build Our Base

We are asking each friend of this ministry to help in two ways:

- Reaffirm your support with a generous year-end gift—or become a monthly partner.
- Invite one or two like-minded families to join you in supporting this work.

Your investment empowers us to protect families, defend educational freedom, and ensure parents—not the government—can raise and educate their children.

Together, we can build the foundation needed to stand firm for the next generation.



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## Carrying Forward a Legacy of Truth. *Their Race Is Finished. Ours Continues.*

In just the past several months, we have witnessed the homegoing of multiple leaders whose voices profoundly shaped a generation of Christian families, homeschoolers, and defenders of biblical truth. The closeness of their passing has created a unique sense of loss—but also a renewed clarity about what truly matters.



**Voddie Baucham** (1968-2025) taught with clarity and conviction on the centrality of the family. His emphasis on biblical fatherhood, strong marriages, and the God-given responsibility of parents to educate and disciple their children has left an unmistakable imprint on Christian homes around the world.

**John MacArthur** (1939-2025), a steadfast expositor of God's Word, modeled what it means to submit every issue of life—including political, cultural, and educational matters—to the authority of Scripture. His unwavering commitment to truth, even under pressure, strengthened countless pastors, families, and churches to remain anchored in the Word.



**James Dobson** (1936-2025) shaped the modern Christian family movement. His work laid early foundations for many who would later choose homeschooling, and his influence still resonates through thousands of families whose journeys were sparked by his radio broadcasts and writings. The ripple effects of his ministry are still spreading—and will continue for generations.

**Charlie Kirk** (1993-2025), in his own way, helped bridge the gap between Christian conviction and cultural engagement. His bold advocacy for liberty, personal responsibility, and the importance of bringing biblical principles into the public square encouraged many—especially younger believers—to stand firm in a time when compromise is easy and conviction is costly.



Taken together, the impact of these leaders is immense. Their departures so close together confronts us with a sobering reality: A generation of strong voices has gone silent... and now the baton of truth, conviction, and discipleship has been placed in our hands.

May we be found faithful—teaching our children diligently, standing firm in truth, and building the kind of legacy that will endure long after we are gone.

**“He established a testimony in Jacob and appointed a law in Israel, which he commanded our fathers to teach to their children, that the next generation might know them... so that they should set their hope in God and not forget the works of God, but keep his commandments.”**

**Psalm 78:5–7 (ESV)**



**Logan Kausrud,**  
FPM Gov. Class alumn

"I would highly recommend this class to anyone who enjoys thoughtful discussions and reading great books. This class made otherwise boring subjects enjoyable!"



# Government Class

## A Launchpad for Young Leaders

Recognizing the need to prepare the next generation to understand and defend freedom, we redesigned our 2025 government class into a scalable, streamlined model. This new structure allows us to:

- Easily expand the online program across the state or nationally
- Reach more young people with foundational teaching on biblical government and economics
- Do so with minimal ongoing financial or workload increase

# Intern Program

## Poised for Expansion

Our internship program has long been a cornerstone of FPM's legacy-building work. In 2025, we took deliberate steps to:

- Expand intern roles
- Redesign the program structure to be modular and scalable
- Establish a system that is ready for rapid growth

With the infrastructure now in place, we can double or triple our internship capacity with adequate funding.



**Mallory Engel,**  
FPM



"From legislative research to web design, FPM's internship program equipped me with skills I can take with me anywhere! Plus, I received college credit while gaining valuable knowledge for the workforce. I 100% recommend this program for any student desiring to make a difference!"

# Vision for the Future

The work we've done in 2025 is not just impressive in hindsight - it is strategic groundwork for future success. With the generous support of visionary donors, we are prepared to multiply our impact in the following ways:

- Multiply Capitol Day & Advocacy Events
- Offer Government Classes Statewide
- Expand Internship Program
- Establish Intern Housing
- Develop a One-Semester Government & Policy Institute
- Build an FPM Endowment Fund
- Own a Permanent Office Headquarters
- Open a Downtown Advocacy Office

## Testimonials



**Jim Mason, President of HSLDA**

"Nathan Pierce has carried on the long, vital role of FPM, by carefully monitoring every bill, by forming valuable relationships with legislators, their staff, and with the other diverse homeschooling groups in the Golden State. Please support FPM with your most generous donation. HSLDA depends on FPM as our eyes, ears and feet in California."



**Dr. Lisa Dunne,  
President of CVCU**

"Nathan is a fan favorite, we've known each other for many years, and when we are befuddled down here in San Diego about what on earth is happening in Sacramento, Nathan is the resident expert we go to with all of our questions."



# Church Engagement & Legislative Advocacy



This year, Family Protection Ministries expanded our work with churches and pastors to keep the body of Christ informed about rising threats to parental rights and educational freedom. As attacks on homeschool liberty grow, churches have invited FPM to share clear information about policies shaping their children's future. We have guided pastors on how their churches can support families, stand with homeschoolers, and respond biblically to government overreach.

We also created materials explaining major legislative battles, the risks of government-funded education, and how policy affects discipleship in the home. Through this work, FPM is equipping churches to recognize cultural pressures on families and defend parental authority.

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God has ordained for parents to be the primary care givers and teachers of their children. The church should be first in line to support parents in this God-given role. - Nathan Pierce

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## Resources for Churches and Pastors:

- **How Churches Can Support FPM:** <https://fpmca.org/support-us/churches/>
- **Why Pastors Care About Family Protection Ministries:** <https://fpmca.org/why-pastors-care-about-fpm/>



**Andrew Pudewa,  
founder and director of IEW**

“One bad law can have huge negative consequences for all families—Christian, or homeschooling, or not. I wholeheartedly endorse FPM and encourage you to support them to whatever level you are able. It may be one of the most important organizations of our time.”



**Dave Witt,  
pastor of Nathan's church**

“As a watchdog, Nathan is committed to keeping an eye on government encroachment into the family, keeping parents aware of the endless threats to their God-given authority to raise and train their children without governmental intrusion. This is an important ministry.”





## Your Homeschool Advocate in California



**Nathan Pierce,**  
**Executive Director of FPM**

"I am so thankful for all of you who have supported Family Protection Ministries over the last 39 years through your prayers and financial support. We have been so blessed to see God's grace, provision, and strength as He has watched over us and our work preserving private homeschool freedoms in California. I know that God will continue to bless FPM's work as we seek to serve Him and His people."

***Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might. Ephesians 6:10***

## Resources

Below are some helpful resources from Family Protection Ministries. Our staff is happy to help answer any questions you might have, so please feel free to reach out to us at any time.

### Bill Tracker

<https://fpmca.org/advocacy/bill-tracker/>

This is FPM's tool to help you keep all the bills straight! We regularly update this new website feature, breaking down some of the bills FPM is tracking, the reason we are concerned about the bill, where it is in the legislative process, and what you can do to help us make an impact.

### Events Calendar

<https://fpmca.org/our-events/>

Get involved: Check out our organization's events and join us at an event near you to make a difference together.

### The Frontline Podcast

<https://fpmca.org/category/the-frontline/>

The Frontline podcast with Nathan Pierce covers current issues with homeschooling, parental rights, and the family. You can listen on our website or with Spotify, Apple Podcasts, Amazon Music, or Audible. You can also watch the video version of our podcast on our YouTube channel.

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