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Ohio’s First Faith-Based Abortion Fund to Launch As State Prepares for the Overturn of Roe v. Wade

(Columbus, OH) – Today, Faith Choice Ohio has launched The Jubilee Fund, a faith-based abortion fund dedicated to helping Ohioans navigate barriers in accessing abortion care. This announcement comes as the Supreme Court appears poised to overturn Roe v. Wade and as many faith leaders across the country are stepping up to support the coordination of abortion care as a central part of one's faith.

Ohio is one of 26 states that could ban abortion after the decision, and people living in mid-and southwestern Ohio could expect to drive up to 300 miles one way to reach the nearest facility offering abortion care. The Jubilee Fund will help abortion seekers travel out of state for care by paying for travel, lodging, food, and childcare.

“The Jubilee Fund for Abortion Justice is administered through a network of clergy and congregations that support abortion access and proudly serves all people, no matter their faith background,” states Rev. Terry Williams, a faith organizer with Faith Choice Ohio. “Jubilee means we all get free together – and together, that's just what we're going to do.”

Although public discourse about abortion often frames the anti-abortion movement as a religious one, and while opposition to abortion care often comes from religious extremists, there is a long history of religious support for expanding abortion access. In fact, people of every religious tradition believe in abortion justice, not despite their religious or spiritual beliefs but because of them.

“For over a year, we've been planning and praying on how to faithfully respond to the imminent loss of abortion access in the Midwest,” explains Elaina Ramsey, executive director of Faith Choice Ohio. “We're proud to launch The Jubilee Fund to support abortion seekers with joy and compassion during this challenging time. Our spirits are resilient and ready – we are made for this moment.”

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About Faith Choice Ohio

Faith Choice Ohio elevates the moral power of faith communities to ensure that all people can access the reproductive health care they need. Through education, advocacy, and counseling, we are committed to empowering advocates for abortion justice & reproductive freedom.

To learn more about The Jubilee Fund, visit jubileeabortionfund.org.