

THE PRO-CHOICE NETWORK OF WESTERN NEW YORK, Inc.

The Slepian Committee of the Pro-Choice Network of Western New York, Inc. would like to invite you to apply for a grant to offset your expenses associated with training in the abortion procedure.

The Murder of Dr. Slepian

On October 23, 1998, an anti-abortion assassin murdered Dr. Barnett A. Slepian in his home.

Dr. Slepian was an obstetrician-gynecologist who included abortion as part of his practice in Buffalo, N.Y. Anti-abortion extremists targeted him for years of harassment. In spite of the threats and harassment, Dr. Slepian courageously stood up to these terrorists and continued to provide complete reproductive health services to the women of Western New York until one of the terrorists shot and killed him.

Dr. Slepian had performed abortions because he believed it was necessary for women to have a choice when faced with an unintended pregnancy. He remembered when women died from unsafe, illegal abortions. Where the anti-choice terrorists could not succeed politically, they resorted to acts of terror and intimidation to eliminate choice.

The Barnett A. Slepian Memorial Fund

The community that suffered the loss of one of its best physicians has established a memorial fund in Dr. Slepian's name so that his work can live on. The fund is intended to provide training grants to physicians and medical students who are committed to include abortion in their medical practice, who view the option of abortion as an integral part of comprehensive care for women, and who refuse to allow political and religious extremists to dictate patient care. Increasing the number of providers will reduce the risk to any one physician.

Annual Grants

A grant award of up to \$2,500 may be used in any manner necessary to support a physician, resident or medical student's training in the abortion procedure. For example, this grant could assist with training fees/tuition, living expenses while in training, or travel expenses.

Applications are reviewed by the Slepian Committee on an ongoing basis and the grant is awarded annually.

To Apply

You are invited to complete the confidential application and mail it to:

The Slepian Committee
c/o The Pro-Choice Network of WNY, Inc.
P.O. Box 461
Buffalo NY 14209

Donations

If you would like to contribute to the Dr. Barnett A. Slepian Memorial Fund, make checks payable to:

**Dr. Barnett A. Slepian
Memorial Fund**

Mail donations to:

Community Foundation for Greater Buffalo, Inc.
712 Main Street
Buffalo, NY 14202-1720

The Community Foundation for Greater Buffalo exists to strengthen and improve the quality of life in Western New York by supporting and enhancing philanthropy and charitable activity. Upon request, a copy of the last annual report filed by the Community Foundation for Greater Buffalo, Inc. with the New York State Attorney General can be obtained from the address above.

Contributions are tax deductible.

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A Tribute to His Dedication and Courage

Grants to Support Training in Abortion Techniques

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