

Heritage Foundation President Kevin Roberts Vows To “Destroy” Federal Government Through Radical MAGA Project 2025 While He Flirts With Far-Right International Leaders

SUMMARY: Dr. Kevin Roberts has been president of the conservative Heritage Foundation since [2021](#), where he has prioritized [fighting](#) “woke” education, called for aggressive action against “[existential problems](#)” like “[cultural Marxism](#),” has argued for tearing out same-sex marriage by “[root and branch](#),” and spread conspiracy theories about widespread [communist infiltration](#).

Under Roberts, the Heritage Foundation leads [Project 2025](#), a [radical MAGA](#) plan to dismantle or defund major aspects of federal government. Roberts has said the project’s mission is to “[destroy](#)” the administrative state, emphasizing, “[Not reform. Not modify. Not tweak. Destroy.](#)”

Beyond steering the Heritage Foundation toward the far-right, Robert’s own extremism includes:

- Robert’s forthcoming book, “[Dawn’s Early Light: Burning Down Washington to Save America](#),” states that “[if a nation is ruled by a uniparty at the top, it must be destroyed and replaced](#).” The book calls for ending institutions like the FBI, the Boy Scouts, and the New York Times.
- Roberts has claimed that Black Lives Matter protests were “[far worse than Jan. 6](#),” that the Biden family is “[the far bigger threat to our republic](#),” and he answered “[No](#).” when asked if he believes Biden won the 2020 election.
- Roberts has regularly platformed and praised extremists on his podcast, including “[the right’s leading culture warrior](#)” Christopher Rufo—who Roberts called “[a great American](#)”—and Big Lie leader Hans Von Spakovsky—the [discredited leader](#) of Heritage’s election fraud initiative who Roberts said it was a “[privilege](#)” to host.
- Roberts said he and Heritage would like to see the Supreme Court “[tear out, root and branch](#),” 2015’s Obergefell Decision, which [struck down](#) state bans on same-sex marriage. When asked if reversing Obergefell meant annulling existing same-sex marriages, Roberts said “[I hope so](#),” calling same-sex marriage “[a really bad social experiment that we’re only beginning to see the rotten fruit of](#).”

While leading Heritage, Roberts has repeatedly shown deep enthusiasm for far-right international leaders, including Hungary’s Viktor Orbán and Argentina’s Javier Milei:

- Roberts said “[I stand in awe](#)” of Hungary’s [proudly illiberal](#) Prime Minister Viktor Orbán—and called Orbán’s far-right regime “[the model](#)” for “[conservative statecraft](#).” Meanwhile, the Heritage Foundation has faced criticism for being “[conquered](#)” by Orbánist Influence, including a “[landmark](#)” agreement between Heritage and an Orbán government-backed group.
- Roberts has [repeatedly praised](#) Argentina’s “[anarcho-capitalist](#)” President Javier Milei, who campaigned on [radical government cuts](#) and “[shock economic reforms](#).” Roberts notably quoted Milei’s claim that “[the main leaders of the western world have abandoned the model of freedom for different versions of what we call collectivism](#).”

Prior to leading the Heritage Foundation, Roberts’ right-wing career includes:

- [2016-2021](#): While Roberts held multiple top leadership roles in the Texas Public Policy Foundation (TPPF), the right-wing [billionaire-founded](#) group “[more than doubled in size](#),” opened a [Washington D.C. branch](#), and became a “[major force](#)” in the conservative movement with many alumni joining the Trump White House. Notably, TPPF has drawn scrutiny for dodging about \$3 million in taxes on its lavish headquarters by claiming it is a “[scientific research organization](#),” citing papers largely written by [lobbyists](#).
- [2013-2016](#): Roberts was president of the [very conservative](#) Wyoming Catholic College (WCC), where he [refused federal funding](#) for in order to preserve the school’s “[independence](#)”—which meant [blocking](#) LGBTQ students and employees, whom Roberts said ““[would be contravening church teaching just by being here](#).””
- [2006-2013](#): Roberts [founded and led](#) the John Paul the Great Academy, a private Catholic school formerly known as the [Pope John Paul II Academy](#), and Roberts continues to serve as the school’s [Chair Emeritus](#). Notably, the school hosted an expensive fundraiser “[prominent](#)” QAnon pusher [Jim Caviezel](#) in 2024 and Fox News host [Bret Baier](#) in 2011, because Roberts said Baier was a ““[larger net](#)”” for fundraising.
- [2008-2010](#): Roberts was [founder](#) and [executive director](#) for Catholic Families for America, a “[grassroots](#)” political group that appears to have also gone by the name [Catholic Family Caucus](#). In 2011, the group was [folded into](#) the prominent CatholicVote.org, with Roberts joining the larger group’s [PAC advisory board](#). Roberts has continued to enjoy the [Leonard Leo-backed](#) CatholicVote.org’s vocal praise [into 2024](#).

Dr. Kevin Roberts Biographical Overview



[The Heritage Foundation, accessed [05/22/24](#)]

Career Timeline

Date(s)	Employer	Position
Dec. 2021-Present	The Heritage Foundation	President
May 2016-Dec. 2021	Texas Public Policy Foundation	Chief Executive Officer (Apr. 2021-Dec. 2021) Executive Director (Mar. 2018-Apr. 2021) Executive Vice President (May 2016-May 2018)
May 2013-May 2016	Wyoming Catholic College	President
Nov. 2008-Nov. 2010	Executive Director	Catholic Families for America
Jul. 2006-Jun. 2013	John Paul the Great Academy	Founder, President, and Headmaster
2006-2007	Adjunct Instructor of History	University of Louisiana at Lafayette
2005-?	Adjunct Instructor of the Humanities	Kaplan University
2005-2006	History Teacher and Director of Debate	Randolph School
2003-Jul. 2006	Instructor	University of Texas Austin
2003-2005	Assistant Professor of History	New Mexico State University
2000-2003	Adjunct Instructor of History	Austin Community College
1998-1999	Museum Administrator	Historic Smithfield (Blacksburg, VA)

Kevin Roberts' Curriculum Vitae [Here](#)

Roberts Is A Trustee At The Intercollegiate Studies Initiative, Which Claims To Fill “The Void Left By Modern Higher Education” And Support Students Who “Feel Isolated Or Attacked For Questioning Progressive Orthodoxy.” “Filling the Void Left by Modern Higher Education Too many college students feel isolated or attacked for questioning progressive orthodoxy and the ever-narrowing range of debate on campus. We introduce them to the American tradition of liberty and to a vibrant community of students and scholars. Our students get an education and a community they don’t find at their universities.” [Intercollegiate Studies Institute, accessed [05/29/24](#)]

- **Roberts Was A Trustee Of The Intercollegiate Studies Initiative, As Of May 2024.** [Intercollegiate Studies Institute, accessed [05/29/24](#)]

Education

Roberts Earned His Ph.D. In American History From The University Of Texas Austin In 2003 And Continued To Teach There Until 2006. “A lifelong educator, Roberts earned his Ph.D. in American history from the University of Texas. After several years of teaching history at the collegiate level, Roberts in 2006 left the university to found John Paul the Great Academy, a co-ed, K-12 Catholic liberal arts school in Lafayette, Louisiana. Roberts served as the academy’s president and headmaster for seven years.” [The Heritage Foundation, [10/14/21](#)]

- **Roberts Earned His Ph.D. From The University Of Texas In 2003.** “Wyoming Catholic College President Dr. Kevin Roberts, who earned his Ph.D. in History at UT Austin in 2003, was recently quoted in the New York Times, regarding his school’s decision to reject federal funding programs.” [University of Texas College Of Liberal Arts, accessed [05/22/24](#)]

Roberts Earned A Master’s Degree In History From Virginia Tech In 1999 And A Bachelor’s Degree In History From The University Of Louisiana At Lafayette In 1996. “In addition to his doctorate, Roberts holds a master’s degree in history from Virginia Tech and a bachelor’s degree in history from the University of Louisiana at Lafayette.” [The Heritage Foundation, [10/14/21](#)]



The University of Texas at Austin
Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.), American History (United States)
1999 - 2003



Virginia Tech
Master of Arts (M.A.), History
1997 - 1999



University of Louisiana at Lafayette
Bachelor of Arts - BA, History
1992 - 1996

[Linkedin Profile for Kevin Roberts, accessed [05/22/24](#)]

- **While A Freshman At The University Of Louisiana At Lafayette, Roberts Volunteered On The Far-Right Pat Buchanan’s 1992 Presidential Bid And Attended That Year’s Republican National Convention, Where Buchanan Gave His “Culture War” Speech.** “As a freshman at the University of Louisiana at Lafayette, Roberts volunteered on the 1992 Buchanan presidential campaign. Roberts attended the Republican National Convention that year in the Houston Astrodome, where Buchanan delivered his famous “culture war” speech in which he railed against abortion, homosexual rights, women in combat and discrimination against religious schools.” [WyoFile, [02/08/24](#)]
- **Roberts Still Refers To His Ideas As “Buchananite.”** “In interviews and conversations, Roberts will sometimes refer to some of his ideas as ‘Buchananite.’” [WyoFile, [02/08/24](#)]

Roberts “Grew Up In Lafayette, Louisiana.” “Roberts grew up in Lafayette, Louisiana, in a poor family that he has described as ‘besieged by the early signs of our nation’s social decay.’ His grandparents helped raise him after his parents split when he was 4; his teenage brother took his own life when Roberts was 9.” [NOTUS, [01/29/24](#)]

Personal Overview

Kevin Roberts’ Full Name Is Kevin David Roberts:

CEO/Executive Director
Dr. Kevin David Roberts

[Pope John Paul II Academy via GuideStar, [2010 \(PDF\)](#)]

Roberts, His Wife Michelle, And Their Four Children Relocated To The Washington D.C. Area, Attending A Catholic Parish In Springfield, Virginia As Of January 2024. “Roberts and his wife have four children. They will relocate to the Washington, D.C., area.” [The Heritage Foundation, [10/14/21](#)]

- **Roberts, His Wife Michelle, And Their Family, Belonged To A Catholic Parish In Springfield, Virginia As Of January 2024.** “The move also coincided, Roberts told me, with a dramatic deepening of his and his wife Michelle’s Catholic faith. They now have four children and belong to a parish in Springfield, Virginia; he also attends daily Mass at a church near Heritage’s headquarters on Capitol Hill.” [NOTUS, [01/29/24](#)]
- **Michelle Roberts’ Maiden Name Is LaFleur.** “Roberts earned a scholarship to the University of Louisiana at Lafayette, where he got a history degree in 1996. The next year he married Michelle LaFleur, also a graduate of the University of Louisiana, and the couple moved to Blacksburg, Virginia, where he obtained an M.A. in history, summa cum laude, from Virginia Tech.” [WyoFile, [02/08/24](#)]

In April 2022, Kevin Roberts Purchased A Property In Fairfax Station, Virginia For \$1.65 Million, Later Transferring The Property To A Trust In His Name For \$0 In May 2024:

MAP #: 0964 05 0021	
ROBERTS KEVIN TR	8400 CATHEDRAL FOREST DR
Owner	
Name	ROBERTS KEVIN TR,
Mailing Address	8400 CATHEDRAL FOREST DR FAIRFAX STATION VA 22039
Book	28125
Page	0591

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MAP #: 0964 05 0021			
ROBERTS KEVIN TR	8400 CATHEDRAL FOREST DR		
Sales History			
Date	Amount	Seller	Buyer
05/06/2024	\$0	ROBERTS KEVIN DAVID	ROBERTS KEVIN TR
04/18/2022	\$1,649,000	BUNN-LIVINGSTONE SANDRA L	ROBERTS KEVIN DAVID
11/18/2005	\$1,320,000	JEWELL RONALD B	BUNN-LIVINGSTONE SANDRA L

- **The Property Has A 2024 Assessed Value Of \$1.54 Million:**

Values	
Tax Year	2024
Current Land	\$574,000
Current Building	\$962,610
Current Assessed Total	\$1,536,610
Tax Exempt	NO
Note	

[Fairfax County, Virginia, accessed [05/29/24](#)]

- **The 7,300 Sq. Ft. Home With “Five-Star Quality” Living Spaces, Sits On Nearly 7.5 Acres And Has A “Luxurious Pool And Spa.”** “Luxurious pool and spa, blue stone patios, and two spacious decks lend themselves to wonderful outdoor entertaining for an intimate group or a crowd. The interior is equally as inviting with a Travertine 2-story foyer to welcome you to approximately 7000 square feet of five-star quality updated living spaces. Hand-scraped oak, birch, marble and Travertine flooring,

custom mill work, high ceilings enhance the sense of elegant style this home offers.” [Long & Foster Real Estate, accessed [05/29/24](#)]

Home Snapshot

5

Bedrooms

4 Full/1 Half

Bathrooms

7,391

Square Feet

7.46

Acres

1987

Year built

[Long & Foster Real Estate, accessed [05/29/24](#)]



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October 2021: The Heritage Foundation Named Dr. Kevin Roberts As President, And He Assumed The Role In December 2021:

The Heritage Foundation Names Dr. Kevin Roberts Next President

Nation's premier conservative think tank welcomes head of the Texas Public Policy Foundation.

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[The Heritage Foundation, [10/14/21](#)]

- **Roberts, The “Seventh President In The Think Tank’s 48-Year History” Succeeded Former President Kay C. James In Late 2021.** “The Heritage Foundation today announced Dr. Kevin Roberts will become the seventh president in the think tank’s 48-year history. Roberts will succeed President Kay C. James later this year when he takes the helm of America’s premier conservative think tank.” [The Heritage Foundation, [10/14/21](#)]
- **Roberts’ LinkedIn States That He Started At Heritage In December 2021.** [LinkedIn Profile for Kevin Roberts, accessed [05/22/24](#)]
- **Kay C. James Continued To Serve On Heritage’s Board Of Trustees, Originally Joining In 2005.** “James, who has served as Heritage president since 2018, will continue to serve on the Board of Trustees, a role she’s held since 2005. She says she looks forward to remaining active as a distinguished visiting fellow at Heritage and in the conservative movement going forward.” [The Heritage Foundation, [10/14/21](#)]
- **James Stepped Down After Facing Conservative Backlash For Writing “‘How Many More Black People Must Die. ... How Many More Committees Will Have To Be Formed Until America Admits That Racism Is Still A Problem In This Country?’” In The Wake Of George Floyd’s Murder.** “DeMint was replaced by Kay Coles James, a member of Heritage’s board. In 2020, in the wake of Floyd’s killing and subsequent protests, James, who is Black, published a column that asked, ‘How many more black people must die. ... How many more committees will have to be formed until America admits that racism is still a problem in this country?’ This acknowledgment of persistent racism enraged many conservatives. Tucker Carlson — who already was blasting Heritage for not taking on Big Tech — called James’ essay “a long screed denouncing America as an irredeemably racist nation” and added that he hoped his audience had given money to Heritage “for the last time.” James, who declined my request for an interview, stepped down the following year.” [NOTUS, [01/29/24](#)]

Heritage Chairman Barb Van Andel-Gaby Noted That Heritage’s Board Of Trustees Unanimously Elected Roberts After It Had Been “‘Searching For A Leader Who Demonstrates An Unwavering Commitment To Heritage’s Mission And The Conservative Principles That Guide [Its] Research.’”

“‘Since last spring, Heritage’s Board of Trustees has been searching for a leader who demonstrates an unwavering commitment to Heritage’s mission and the conservative principles that guide our research,’ said

Barb Van Andel-Gaby, chairman of Heritage’s Board of Trustees. ‘After looking at candidates from across the country and throughout the conservative movement, one person truly stood out: Heritage’s trustees have unanimously elected Dr. Kevin Roberts as our next president.’ [The Heritage Foundation, [10/14/21](#)]

Heritage Stated That Roberts Would “Continue To Lead Policy Research Efforts On Many Of The Issues He Championed At TPPF, Including Education, Health Care, Border Security, Election Integrity, And More.” “As president of The Heritage Foundation, Roberts will continue to lead policy research efforts on many of the issues he championed at TPPF, including education, health care, border security, election integrity, and more, and his leadership will also be critical in pushing back on the radical, socialist agenda being advanced by the left at all levels of government.” [The Heritage Foundation, [10/14/21](#)]

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Roberts “Was Not Well Known Outside Policy Circles” When He Became President Of The Heritage Foundation. “Roberts, who was not well known outside policy circles when he took over, has pushed the think tank away from its hawkish roots by arguing against funding the war in Ukraine, a turnabout that prompted some of Heritage’s policy analysts to leave. Now he’s looking ahead, to the 2024 election and beyond. Roberts told me that he views Heritage’s role today as ‘institutionalizing Trumpism.’” [The New York Times, [01/21/24](#)]

Roberts Said That Under His Leadership, The Top Three Issues Facing Heritage Were “Education, Education, And Education,” Targeting What He Called “The Indoctrination Of Our Kids” —Roberts Called Critical Race Theory “One Of The Five Most Egregious Things That’s Ever Happened In Education, Period.”

Shortly After He Was Announced As Heritage’s President, Roberts Told Heritage Outlet The Daily Signal That ““The Top Three [Critical Issues That We Are Facing Right Now] Are Education, Education, And Education,”” And Conservatives Must Fix What He Called The ““Broken About The Education System.”” “The Heritage Foundation announced Thursday that Kevin Roberts will serve as the organization’s next president. Roberts says he is eager to advance the conservative movement and address some of the most pressing issues facing our nation today. ‘The top three [critical issues that we are facing right now] are education, education, and education,’ Roberts says, adding that conservatives will miss an ‘opportunity of a lifetime’ if we cannot come together and address what is ‘broken about the education system.’” [The Daily Signal, [10/15/21](#)]

- **The Heritage Foundation Created The Daily Signal.** “That’s why The Heritage Foundation, a think tank with the mission of formulating and promoting conservative public policies, created a digital-first, multimedia news platform called The Daily Signal.” [The Daily Signal, accessed [05/23/24](#)]

Roberts Pointed To “The Indoctrination Of Our Kids—Whether It Be Through Critical Race Theory Or Teaching Transgenderism To Kindergartners” As An Example Of “Something Terribly Broken About The Education System.” “Roberts: The top three are education, education, and education. And what I mean by that is if the experiences we’ve all had as Americans over overwrought COVID shutdowns, over the indoctrination of our kids—whether it be through critical race theory or teaching transgenderism to kindergartners—has not shown that there is something terribly broken about the education system, then we’re missing the opportunity of a lifetime.” [The Daily Signal, [10/15/21](#)]

Roberts, Claiming His “Expertise Was Known In African American History And Slavery And The Slave Trade,” Called Critical Race Theory “One Of The Five Most Egregious Things That’s Ever Happened In Education, Period.” “When I was a historian, a professor, my expertise was known in African American history and slavery and the slave trade. And so I’ve done a lot of research in this, and I know that a lot of people are well-intentioned when they want to teach those ugly chapters, we ought to. The problem is, that’s not what critical race theory is. Critical race theory, any critical theory, defines us by just immutable characteristics, our skin color, etc. And the fact that this is being taught in curricula in almost every school district in this country is one of the five most egregious things that’s ever happened in education, period.”

Roberts Called Florida’s “Don’t Say Gay” Bill “The Calling Card For Conservative Reform Efforts in Education” And Called Far-Right Activist Christopher Rufo The “Icon Of This Movement.” “Kevin Roberts, the president of the Heritage Foundation, said that Florida’s bill ‘is going to be the calling card for conservative reform efforts in education’ and described Rufo as ‘the icon of this movement.’” [The New Yorker, [06/28/22](#)]

- **Florida’s “Don’t Say Gay” Bill, Which “Prohibits Schools From Teaching Anything About Sexual Orientation And Gender Identity To Students Below Third Grade”—Christopher Rufo “Helped Spark” National Controversy Over Progressive Teaching Curricula.** “Rufo also came to think that the issue he helped spark—the national conservative outcry over progressive teaching and training on race and gender—was reaching a new, more potent phase. The same legislative session had produced the Parental Rights in Education bill, denounced by its Democratic opponents as the ‘Don’t Say Gay’ law, which prohibits schools from teaching anything about sexual orientation and gender identity to students below third grade, demands that any such instruction at any age follow requirements to be set out by the state’s board of education, makes parental permission a prerequisite for a range of mental-health counselling and interventions, and gives parent groups broad latitude to sue school districts if they believe teachers or administrators are not complying.” [The New Yorker, [06/28/22](#)]
- **Rufo Took Part In Florida Gov. Ron Desantis’ Signing Of The “Stop Woke Act,” Which Sought To “Limit Discussion Of Racial History And Identity In Schools And Workplaces.”** “In April, the conservative activist Christopher Rufo flew from his home, near Seattle, to Miami, to meet with Florida’s Governor, Ron DeSantis, and to take part in the public signing of the Stop woke Act. A former documentary filmmaker and a senior fellow at the Manhattan Institute, Rufo was the lead protagonist of last year’s furor over the teaching of “critical race theory” in public schools and helped advise the Governor on the Florida law, which aimed to limit discussion of racial history and identity in schools and workplaces.” [The New Yorker, [06/28/22](#)]

Roberts, A Frequent Fox News Host, Has Called For A Departure From Traditional Conservatism, Claiming More Aggressive Action Is Needed Against The ““Existential Problems”” Of ““Cultural Marxism, Corporate Anti-Americanism, An Increasingly Weaponized Federal Government, [And] Anti-Parent Schools.””

August 2023: Roberts Called For A Departure From Traditional Conservatism, Saying ““As Great As Tax Relief Is, As Great As Budget Cuts Are, As Important As A Strong Military Is, None Of Those Are Going To Solve’ The ‘New Existential Problems’ Of Today — Namely, ‘Cultural Marxism, Corporate Anti-Americanism, An Increasingly Weaponized Federal Government, Anti-Parent Schools, Family Disintegration, And The Crisis Of Boys.’” “Speaking to another conservative gathering in August, Roberts said: ‘As great as tax relief is, as great as budget cuts are, as important as a strong military is, none of those are going to solve’ the ‘new existential problems’ of today — namely, ‘cultural Marxism, corporate anti-Americanism, an increasingly weaponized federal government, anti-parent schools, family disintegration, and the crisis of boys.’” [NOTUS, [01/29/24](#)]

Roberts Is “A Regular On Fox News, With More Than 40 Appearances” In 2023. “In Washington, Roberts seems to be everywhere these days. He has his own weekly YouTube podcast, ‘The Kevin Roberts Show,’ and he is a regular on Fox News, with more than 40 appearances in the last year alone.” [WyoFile, [02/08/24](#)]

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2021: When Asked, “If You Support Same-Sex Marriage, That Means You’re Wrong?,” Roberts Said, “That’s Correct,” Adding “Same-Sex Marriage Contravenes Our Understanding Of An Enduring Moral Order.” “Olsen: But just to pick up on an implication, if you support same-sex marriage, that means you’re wrong? Roberts: That’s correct. Well, it means you’re not a movement conservative. Because same-sex marriage contravenes our understanding of an enduring moral order. Which is at the root of being a movement conservative.” [The Washington Post, [12/17/21](#)]

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2023: Roberts Said ““We Would Like To See A Court Case Go Up To The Supreme Court And Completely Tear Out, Root And Branch, Obergefell,” Referring To The 2015 Supreme Court Decision Which Struck Down State Bans On Same-Sex Marriage. “For Heritage, the fight over same-sex marriage, for example, is not over. ‘We would like to see a court case go up to the Supreme Court and completely tear out, root and branch, Obergefell. Which means that — well, it could mean that marriage goes back to the states, but Heritage’s position, to be really plain, is that marriage is between one man and one woman, full stop.’” [New York Post, [04/03/23](#)]

- **2015: The U.S. Supreme Court Struck Down State Bans On Same-Sex Marriage In Obergefell v. Hodges.** “On June 26, 2015, the Supreme Court announced its decision in Obergefell v. Hodges, striking down state bans on same-sex marriage. The Court’s ruling almost immediately entered the pantheon of the greatest civil rights decisions in U.S. history.” [National Constitution Center, [05/17/16](#)]

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Roberts Called Same-Sex Marriage “A Really Bad Social Experiment That We’re Only Beginning To See The Rotten Fruit Of.” “And I know what I’m saying: There’s nothing against the human persons who are in those partnerships, certainly nothing against their children. It’s just that this is a really bad social experiment that we’re only beginning to see the rotten fruit of.” [New York Post, [04/03/23](#)]

Roberts Has Claimed There Is A “Secret Communist Movement Inside America,” And Communists Are “Dictating With The Power, The Authority Of Law, What Other Americans Do” And Said Sen. Joe McCarthy Was “Right” About His Campaign To Persecute Suspected Communists In The 1950s.

On A Podcast With “Right-Wing Radio Host” Jesse Kelly, Roberts Claimed There Was A “Secret Communist Movement Inside America” And Communists “Are In Positions Where They’re Dictating With The Power, The Authority Of Law, What Other Americans Do.” “In a recent podcast episode, you were speaking with Jesse Kelly, the right-wing radio host, and the episode was about, and I’m quoting here, ‘the secret Communist movement inside America.’ And you were not talking about Chinese government infiltration. You said about those employed in the U.S. government, ‘These men and women, these Communists, really, are in positions where they’re dictating with the power, the authority of law, what other Americans do.’” [The New York Times, [01/21/24](#)]

- **Roberts Partially Denied This Claim And Said “I Think There Are Far More Chinese Communists Who’ve Infiltrated Our Government Than American Communists, But At The Very Least, They’re Socialists.”** “[ROBERTS:] Well, at least a few of them must be Communists. I think there are far more Chinese Communists who’ve infiltrated our government than American Communists, but at the very least, they’re socialists. So if I were to revise that, I would say they were socialists, not Communists.” [The New York Times, [01/21/24](#)]
- **Roberts Said “Chinese Communist Party Agents” Infiltrated The U.S.** “When you’re saying there are Chinese Communists, are you talking about people of Chinese descent? [ROBERTS:] I’m talking about Chinese Communist Party agents.” [The New York Times, [01/21/24](#)]

Roberts Said Of Sen. Joe McCarthy, Who “Oversaw A Sweeping Campaign To Attack And Root Out Ideological Opponents,” That “His Motivation, And His Motivation Was, As You Know, That Real Communists, Like Capital-C Communists, Had Infiltrated The Federal Government, Which We Learned In Hindsight He Was Right About.” “I recently heard you tell a British interviewer that while he overstepped a bit, Joe McCarthy largely got things right. That’s the Joe McCarthy who, as a senator in the 1950s, oversaw a sweeping campaign to attack and root out ideological opponents. Can you tell me what you think he got right? [ROBERTS:] Yeah. I was referring to his motivation, and his motivation was, as you know, that real Communists, like capital-C Communists, had infiltrated the federal government, which we learned in hindsight he was right about. Obviously, at least some of his tactics were terrible, but what he got right was the motivation.” [The New York Times, [01/21/24](#)]

Heritage Paid Roberts \$510,000 In Base Compensation In 2022, Including Over \$102,000 In Bonus And Incentive Compensation, And Over \$37,700 In Nontaxable Benefits—Heritage Also Disclosed That It Covers Private Charter Or First Class Travel For Certain Staff.

In 2022, Kevin Roberts Took \$510,000 In Base Compensation, Over \$102,000 In Bonus And Incentive Compensation, \$10,000 In Other Compensation, And Over \$37,700 In Nontaxable Benefits From The Heritage Foundation:

(A) Name and Title		(B) Breakdown of W-2, 1099-MISC compensation, and/or 1099-NEC			(C) Retirement and other deferred compensation	(D) Nontaxable benefits	(E) Total of columns (B)(i)-(D)	(F) Compensation in column (B) reported as deferred on prior Form 990
		(i) Base compensation	(ii) Bonus & incentive compensation	(iii) Other reportable compensation				
1 KEVIN ROBERTS PRESIDENT	(i)	510,050	102,425	10,014	15,250	37,732	675,471	0
	(ii)	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
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[Heritage Foundation IRS Form 990, 2022, [11/15/23](#)]

The Heritage Foundation Disclosed That It Pays For Charter Or First Class Travel “For Certain Approved Staff” When They Are “Conducting Official Business” For The Foundation And Allows Travel For Certain Officers’ Spouses. “PART I, LINE 1A [...] FIRST CLASS OR CHARTER TRAVEL: THE HERITAGE FOUNDATION (THF) ALLOWS FIRST CLASS TRAVEL OR CHARTER TRAVEL FOR CERTAIN APPROVED STAFF IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES, SUCH AS INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL, AND ONLY WHEN CONDUCTING OFFICIAL BUSINESS FOR THF. IN ACCORDANCE WITH THF’S TRAVEL POLICIES, ANY AMOUNT PAID BY THF FOR ANY TRAVEL BY ANY EMPLOYEE THAT IS NOT BUSINESS RELATED IS REQUIRED TO BE REIMBURSED BY THE INDIVIDUAL TO THF OR IS INCLUDED IN THE INDIVIDUAL’S REPORTABLE COMPENSATION ON FORM W-2, BOX 5, AND INCLUDED IN PART VII OF THE FORM 990 AND SCHEDULE J, PART II. TRAVEL FOR COMPANIONS: FROM TIME TO TIME, THF ALLOWS TRAVEL FOR SPOUSES OF CERTAIN OFFICERS OF THE ORGANIZATION. AMOUNTS PAID FOR TRAVEL FOR COMPANIONS THAT ARE NOT BUSINESS RELATED ARE EITHER REIMBURSED BY THE OFFICER TO THF OR ARE INCLUDED IN THE OFFICER’S REPORTABLE COMPENSATION ON FORM W-2, BOX 5, AND INCLUDED IN PART VII OF THE FORM 990 AND SCHEDULE J, PART II.” [Heritage Foundation IRS Form 990, 2022, [11/15/23](#)]

During Roberts’ Tenure, The Heritage Foundation Has Criticized Biden Transportation Secretary Pete Buttigieg For Using The Federal Aviation Administration’s Private Fleet Of Aircraft, Which The FAA Said Was “More Efficient And/Or Less Expensive” In Certain Cases. “Buttigieg himself faced criticism for using the FAA’s private fleet of jets over 18 times, most recently to do a radio interview in New York City. The Washington Post once reported that during the Trump administration, the FAA charged roughly \$5,000 per hour to use the private jet fleet. The DOT tried to assure the public on this as well. ‘Given that commercial air travel is usually the cheapest way for the Secretary and his staff to travel, 108 of the 126 flights for DOT trips he has taken have been on commercial airlines. However, there are some cases where it is more efficient and/or less expensive for the Secretary and accompanying personnel to fly on a 9-seater FAA plane rather than commercial flights,’ a spokesperson said. ‘Use of the FAA plane in limited, specific cases has helped to maximize efficiency and save thousands of taxpayer dollars.’” [The Heritage Foundation, [01/13/23](#)]

Under Roberts, The Heritage Foundation Leads Project 2025, A Radical MAGA Plan To Dismantle Or Defund Major Aspects Of Federal Government, With Roberts Saying His Mission Is To “Destroy” The Administrative State.

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Project 2025, Led By The Conservative Heritage Foundation, Is A Radical MAGA Plan To “Roll Back Nothing Less Than 100 Years” Of “Liberal Encroachment” Through The Administrative State—The Plan Proposes To “Defund The Department Of Justice, Dismantle The FBI, Break Up The Department Of Homeland Security And Eliminate The Departments Of Education And Commerce.” “In truth, the program laid out by Dans and his fellow Trumpers, called Project 2025, is far more ambitious than anything Ronald Reagan dreamed up. Dans, from his seat inside The Heritage Foundation, and scores of conservative groups

aligned with his program are seeking to roll back nothing less than 100 years of what they see as liberal encroachment on Washington. They want to overturn what began as Woodrow Wilson's creation of a federal administrative elite and later grew into a vast, unaccountable and mostly liberal bureaucracy (as conservatives view it) under Franklin Roosevelt's New Deal and Lyndon Johnson's Great Society, numbering about two and a quarter million federal workers today. They aim to defund the Department of Justice, dismantle the FBI, break up the Department of Homeland Security and eliminate the Departments of Education and Commerce, to name just a few of their larger targets. [...] And they want to ensure that what remains of this slashed-down bureaucracy is reliably MAGA conservative — not just for the next president but for a long time to come — and that the White House maintains total control of it." [Politico, [09/19/23](#)]

...Roberts Has Said That Project 2025's Mission Is To "Destroy" The Administrative State, Saying, "Not Reform, Not Modify, Not Tweak. Destroy."

When Asked About Project 2025's Mission To "Destroy" The Administrative State, Roberts Said, "I Envision The Destruction That I'm Referring To, [...] As A Political Entity Being Significantly Weakened. People Will Lose Their Jobs. Hopefully Their Lives Are Able To Flourish In Spite Of That. Buildings Will Be Shut Down." "One priority for both your organization and the Republican Party writ large is reducing the size of the federal work force. What do you envision when you say, as you have said, you want to destroy the administrative state? [ROBERTS:] I envision the destruction that I'm referring to, which I presume is the real focus of your question, as a political entity being significantly weakened. People will lose their jobs. Hopefully their lives are able to flourish in spite of that. Buildings will be shut down. Hopefully they can be repurposed for private industry." [The New York Times, [01/21/24](#)]

- **December 2023: Roberts Said Of The Next Conservative President, "Tactically They Have To Wake Up Every Day And Say, What Part Of The American Administrative State Am I Going To Destroy Today? Not Reform, Not Modify, Not Tweak, Destroy."** "We believe at Heritage that a conservative, whether it's President Trump or someone else in the field, will replace President Biden, thank goodness, and it isn't enough for whoever that is to govern [as a] conservative. Tactically they have to wake up every day and say, what part of the American administrative state am I going to destroy today? Not reform, not modify, not tweak, destroy; fire the bureaucrats, close agencies, end, as is my pet project, the U.S. Department of Education." [The Telegraph via YouTube, [12/15/23](#)]

Roberts Called On The Next Conservative Administration To Restore Trump Executive Order Schedule F To Strip Employment Protections From Thousands Of Federal Civil Servants, Estimating That About 50,000 Would Be Fired.

Roberts Said Of Federal Civil Servants, "We're Talking About Destroying Political Power. And They Have Political Power. And They Wield It. [...] So We Want Them Out Of There. We Want Schedule F." "So the goal is to try to essentially fire a lot of career civil servants, many of whom have decades of experience in government — [ROBERTS:] Many of whom have decades of experience putting government power above American sovereignty. We're not saying they're bad people. We're not saying we want any harm to come to them. Let me be really clear about that. This is Heritage, you know, not some fringe group on the right. We're talking about destroying political power. And they have political power. And they wield it. They absolutely wield that over the appointees of the president of the United States, whom the American people elected. And for conservatives, one of our greatest frustrations is that thousands of times in the last decades, they have blocked conservative innovation. So we want them out of there. We want Schedule F." [The New York Times, [01/21/24](#)]

- **Roberts Acknowledged That About 50,000 Federal Civil Servants Would Lose Their Jobs Under Schedule F, A Trump Executive Order To Strip Employment Protections From Civil Servants.** "I just want to explain what Schedule F is. It's an executive order that would reclassify tens of thousands of government workers, taking away their employment protections. And some estimates say that

hundreds of thousands of federal workers would be impacted. I think the civilian federal work force is something around two million. [ROBERTS:] Yes, ultimately. That estimate in terms of the number affected seems high to me. I've seen 50,000. I ultimately don't know the precise number, but that's a comfortable range." [The New York Times, [01/21/24](#)]

Roberts Has Said The Unitary Executive Theory, Which Claims The President Has Power Over “All Executive Action,” The “Proper Constitutional Understanding Of Our Government”—Former Labor Sec. Robert Reich Has Called The Theory A “Thinly Disguised Justification For Authoritarianism.”

Roberts Said Unitary Executive Theory “Is The Proper Constitutional Understanding Of Our Government,” Adding That “We Just Disagree Wholly That The Department Of Justice Is Independent Of The President Or The Executive Branch.” “Unitary executive theory is something we don't just agree with. We believe it is the proper constitutional understanding of our government, provided — and this is a vital thing for us — that the legislative branch is much more active and maybe even proactive and ambitious in the assertion of its authority. [...] It's that Congress actively abdicated its authority over some of these decisions because of a lack of political courage, and many Republicans, too. So we have to correct that in order to get the executive branch back in some sort of equilibrium. But the Department of Justice — we just disagree wholly that the Department of Justice is independent of the president or the executive branch. That was not an understanding until the modern era.” [The New York Times, [01/21/24](#)]

Former Labor Secretary Robert Reich Has called The Unitary Executive Theory—Which Claims The President Has Power Over “All Executive Action”—A “Thinly Disguised Justification For Authoritarianism.” “The ‘unitary executive’ theory posits that the Constitution gives the president authority to control all executive action under Article II, whose first line states that “The executive Power shall be vested in a President of the United States.” [...] Make no mistake: The ‘unitary executive’ theory is thinly disguised justification for authoritarianism. If implemented, it would be a major step for the anti-democracy movement.” [Robert Reich via SubStack, [07/20/23](#)]

- **Robert Reich Is A Former Secretary Of Labor And Chancellor's Professor Of Public Policy At The University Of California At Berkeley.** “He is Chancellor's Professor of Public Policy at the University of California at Berkeley and Senior Fellow at the Blum Center. He served as Secretary of Labor in the Clinton administration, for which Time Magazine named him one of the 10 most effective cabinet secretaries of the twentieth century.” [RobertReich.org, accessed [05/23/24](#)]

Roberts' Forthcoming Book, “Dawn's Early Light: Burning Down Washington To Save America,” States “If A Nation Is Ruled By A Uniparty At The Top, It Must Be Destroyed And Replaced” And Calls For Ending Mainstream Institutions Like The FBI, The New York Times, And The Boy Scouts.

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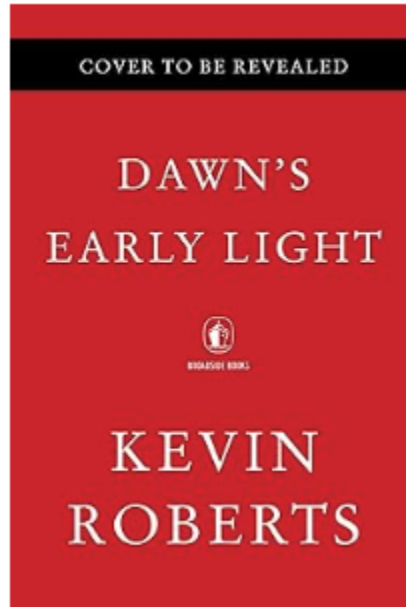
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Dawn's Early Light: Burning Down Washington to

Save America Hardcover – September 24, 2024

by [Kevin Roberts](#) (Author)

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[Amazon, accessed [05/29/24](#)]

In The Book, “Kevin Roberts Calls For A Political Revolution” And Explains “How We Can Finally Overthrow Today’s Incarnation Of The Ruling Class,” Which The Book Calls “The Uniparty,” “Comprised Of Members From Both Major Political Parties.” “Heritage Foundation president and historian Kevin Roberts calls for a political revolution, explaining why the elite always win but [sic] also how we can finally overthrow today’s incarnation of the ruling class. Beyond the divide between Republicans and Democrats, there exists a more significant dichotomy: The Uniparty versus the American people. Comprised of members from both major political parties, the Uniparty espouses beliefs that are out of touch with the values of ordinary citizens.” [Amazon, accessed [05/29/24](#)]

Roberts’ Book Claims That The Uniparty Has “Claimed Our Interests Are Somehow Aligned With Those Of The Globalist Elites.” “They have pushed endless wars, centralized government in American life, and claimed our interests are somehow aligned with those of the globalist elites. Worst of all, they truly believe the backward notion that freedom and stability are luxuries for the enlightened.” [Amazon, accessed [05/29/24](#)]

Roberts’ Book Argues, “If A Nation Is Ruled By A Uniparty At The Top, It Must Be Destroyed And Replaced.” “In Dawn’s Early Light, Kevin Roberts argues that if a nation is ruled by a Uniparty at the top, it must be destroyed and replaced. So should the institutions that sustain the Uniparty’s power.” [Amazon, accessed [05/29/24](#)]

The Book Argues, “We Should Agree As A Society To Put An End To Every Ivy League College, The FBI, The New York Times, The National Institute Of Allergy And Infectious Diseases, The Department Of Education, Blackrock, The Fairfax County Public School System, The Boy Scouts Of America” And Other Entities. “We should agree as a society to put an end to every Ivy League college, the FBI, the New York Times, the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, the Department of Education, BlackRock,

the Fairfax County Public School System, the Boy Scouts of America, the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, the World Economic Forum, and the National Endowment for Democracy.” [Amazon, accessed [05/29/24](#)]

Roberts Has Said “I Stand In Awe” Of Hungary’s Proudly Illiberal Prime Minister Viktor Orbán, Called Far-Right Hungary “*The Model*” For “Conservative Statecraft,” All While The Heritage Foundation Has Faced Criticism For Being “Conquered” By Orbánist Influence, Including A “Landmark Agreement” Between Heritage And An Orban-Backed Group.

Roberts Said It Was “An Honor” To Meet With Hungary’s Proudly Illiberal Prime Minister Viktor Orbán, Praised The Country’s “Conservative Christian Political Turn,” And Said ““Modern Hungary Is Not Just A Model For Conservative Statecraft But *The Model*.””

November 2022: Roberts Said “It Was An Honor” To Meet With Hungarian Prime Minister Viktor Orbán, Claiming His Movement “Fights For Truth, For Tradition, For Families, And For The Average Person”:



Kevin Roberts  
@KevinRobertsTX

...

It was an honor, @PM_ViktorOrban, to meet with you. One thing is clear from visiting Hungary and from being involved in current policy and cultural debates in America: the world needs a movement that fights for Truth, for tradition, for families, and for the average person.



Orbán Viktor  @PM_ViktorOrban · Nov 29, 2022

We must not shy away from fighting for our culture. We must not give up on our core values: #family, #sovereignty, #liberty and #faith. This was at the heart of our discussion with @Heritage president @KevinRobertsTX today.



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[X Post by @KevinRobertsTX, 11/29/22, accessed [05/22/24](#)]

Roberts Claimed, “I’ve Not Seen That” When Told That Orbán “Braggs About Turning Hungary Into An ‘Illiberal Democracy,’” And Has Explicitly Said He Wants To Prevent Europe From Becoming “‘Mixed Race.’” “That said, Orbán brags about turning Hungary into an ‘illiberal democracy’ — his words. He’s anti-L.G.B.T. He’s anti-immigrant. He said explicitly that he wants to prevent Europe from becoming ‘mixed race.’ Over his four terms, he presided over a pattern of democratic backsliding in Hungary. [ROBERTS:] I’ve not seen that.” [The New York Times, [01/21/24](#)]

Roberts Said Of Orbán, “He’s A Very Impressive Leader.” “Orbán has become this darling of the right. You yourself have met with him. You’ve praised him on social media. [ROBERTS:] He’s a very impressive leader.” [The New York Times, [01/21/24](#)]

Roberts Has Said “‘Modern Hungary Is Not Just A Model For Conservative Statecraft But *The* Model.’” “He’s also very open about being a Christian nationalist. And you’ve said in a previous interview, ‘Modern Hungary is not just a model for conservative statecraft but *the* model.’” [The New York Times, [01/21/24](#)]

Roberts Said Hungary Is “The Place Where We Didn’t Just Talk About Defeating The Progressives And Liberals And Causing A Conservative Christian Political Turn, But We Actually Did It.” “At CPAC last year, he said Hungary is ‘the place where we didn’t just talk about defeating the progressives and liberals and causing a conservative Christian political turn, but we actually did it.’ [ROBERTS:] It’s all true. It should be celebrated.” [The New York Times, [01/21/24](#)]

Roberts Has Said, “I Stand In Awe” Of The Orbán Regime.

In 2023: Roberts Said, “I Stand In Awe” Of The Orbán Regime. “During last year’s CPAC gathering in Budapest, Heritage chieftain Kevin Roberts declared, ‘I stand in awe’ before the Orbán regime’s repressive track record, while Arizona Representative Paul Gosar, a past attendee at stateside white nationalist events, gushed that ‘Hungary is a beacon.’” [The Nation, [03/05/24](#)]

Under Roberts, The Heritage Foundation Has Been Criticized For Being “Conquered” By Orbán’s Regime And Has Become A “Leading Proponent For Orbán-Style Rule In The U.S.,” While Orbán’s Government Has Used “Loopholes And Workarounds To Dodge” Foreign Lobbying Disclosure Requirements.

“Roberts Immediately Began Remaking Heritage’s Priorities With A Distinctly Pro-Orbán Bent” After He Became The Group’s President In 2021, While “Heritage Has Swung In A Far More Reactionary—And Far More Authoritarian—Direction.” “Enter the Heritage Foundation. While Heritage grew to prominence in the 1980s as a font of Reaganite policy, in recent years the organization has undergone a monumental shift in terms of both policy and priorities. Rather than persist in its stolid dedication to conservative values, Heritage has swung in a far more reactionary—and far more authoritarian—direction in recent years. Across the policy landscape, Heritage has become little more than an intellectual breeding ground for Trumpist ideas. [...] Much of that shift is downstream from Heritage’s leadership, overseen by Kevin Roberts. Appointed as Heritage’s president in 2021, Roberts immediately began remaking Heritage’s priorities with a distinctly pro-Orbán bent—and began opening up Heritage as a vehicle for Hungarian influence in the U.S. Part of that involved things like last week’s confab, one of many meetings between Roberts and Orbán.” [The New Republic, [03/15/24](#)]

March 2024: The New Republic Published An Article Titled “How Viktor Orbán Conquered the Heritage Foundation” [The New Republic, [03/15/24](#)]

March 2024: Hungarian Prime Minister Viktor Orbán Spoke At A Closed-Door Meeting At Heritage’s Headquarters In Washington D.C., With Kevin Roberts And “Renowned U.S. Right-Wing Politicians, Analysts And Public Personalities” In Attendance. “Last week, Hungarian Prime Minister Viktor Orbán made waves by flying to the United States to meet with Donald Trump—but not with sitting president Joe Biden. It was, at a minimum, a severe breach of diplomatic protocol, and one that threatens to unravel Budapest’s strained relations with Washington even further. [...] But there was one other meeting that Orbán took while in the U.S. that hasn’t received enough attention—and points directly to how Orbán has cultivated American conservatives to his cause and created a beachhead for Hungarian influence in Washington. On Friday, he spoke at a closed-door meeting at the Heritage Foundation’s headquarters in the nation’s capital. Joined by Heritage president Kevin Roberts and failed presidential candidate Vivek Ramaswamy, Orbán spoke, according to a readout, in front of an audience that ‘included renowned U.S. right-wing politicians, analysts and public personalities.’” [The New Republic, [03/15/24](#)]

Hungary Been Shifting Its U.S. Influence Efforts To “Focus Solely On Heritage,” White Heritage’s Own “Internal Transformations” Led It To Shift From Traditional Conservatism To “A Leading Proponent For Orbán-Style Rule In The U.S.” “Instead of meeting with the White House, Orbán traveled to Washington to sit with the leadership of a think tank, using them as a platform to access and influence conservative Americans about both foreign and domestic policy. All of which leads to one question: How, and why, did the Heritage

Foundation become the go-to vehicle for Budapest's budding autocracy to target Americans? [...] On the one hand, Hungary has been shedding lobbying outfits for the past few years, dropping a range of P.R. shops and Twitter influencers to focus solely on Heritage. On the other hand, internal transformations at Heritage—and a willingness to shred its reputation as a bastion of Reaganite, and even democratic, credentials—led the think tank's leadership directly into Orbán's lap, allowing it to become little more than a mouthpiece for a strongman and a leading proponent for Orbán-style rule in the U.S." [The New Republic, [03/15/24](#)]

Hungary—“One Of The Few Nations Without A Single Active Firm Represented In The FARA [Foreign Agent Registration Act] Database”—Began Using “Loopholes And Workarounds To Dodge” Foreign Lobbying Disclosure Requirements While It Was “Wooing Conservative Americans And Staking Its Ties In Washington.” “As of this week, Hungary is one of the few nations without a single active firm represented in the FARA database. (A spokesperson for the Heritage Foundation tells The New Republic that they conduct ‘zero lobbying activity,’ and ‘has not conducted any activities at the request, direction, control of, or that are financed by, a foreign individual, entity, or government.’ Indeed, one of the unique things about the relationship between Budapest and Heritage is that they fall outside the purview of the FARA.) But that doesn't mean Hungarian influence has waned. If anything, it's simply shifted—using loopholes and workarounds to dodge disclosure requirements, while nonetheless wooing conservative Americans and staking its ties in Washington almost wholly on a Trump victory this November.” [The New Republic, [03/15/24](#)]

Heritage Has Entered A “Landmark Agreement” With The Hungarian Government-Backed Danube Institute, “One Of The Premier Mouthpieces For Propagating Orbánist Policies.”

Heritage Foundation Entered A “Landmark” Cooperation Agreement With The Hungarian-Government Backed Danube Institute. “But the relationship is structural as well: Heritage finalized what they refer to as a ‘landmark’ cooperation agreement with the Danube Institute, a Hungarian think tank that appears to exist only to praise Orbán's government.” [The New Republic, [03/15/24](#)]

- **The Danube Institute Is “One Of The Premier Mouthpieces For Propagating Orbánist Policies.”** “The Budapest-based Danube Institute is largely unknown in the U.S., but it has transformed in recent years into one of the premier mouthpieces for propagating Orbánist policies. While it is technically independent, it is, as Jacob Heilbrunn notes in his new book on the American right's infatuation with dictators, located ‘next to the prime minister's building and funded by Orbán's Fidesz party.’ Indeed, the Hungarian think tank is overseen by a foundation directly bankrolled by the Hungarian state—meaning that the Danube Institute is, for all intents and purposes, a state-funded front for pushing pro-Orbán rhetoric.” [The New Republic, [03/15/24](#)]

As Part Of The Agreement, Heritage Will Organize More Joint Events With The Danube Institute And “Each Year Four Researchers From The Heritage Foundation Will Visit Budapest And Work With The Danube Institute As Visiting Researchers.” “A post in early 2023 from the Hungarian Conservative noted that the Danube Institute and the Heritage Foundation had ‘signed a landmark cooperation agreement, deepening Hungary's transatlantic relations.’ While the formal cooperation agreement hasn't yet been published, the summary noted that ‘each year four researchers from the Heritage Foundation will visit Budapest and work with the Danube Institute as visiting researchers’ and that Heritage ‘will also organize more joint events’ with the Danube Institute in the future.” [The New Republic, [03/15/24](#)]

The Danube Institute's President Is Former Heritage Director Of Studies John O'Sullivan, Who Has Become “Orbán's Conduit To The American Right.” “Most important, however, is the man currently running the Danube Institute: John O'Sullivan, a British conservative who once served as the director of studies at—you guessed it—the Heritage Foundation. ‘With his extensive connections in the conservative universe, [O'Sullivan] became Orbán's conduit to the American Right,’ Heilbrunn noted.” [The New Republic, [03/15/24](#)]

- **John O’Sullivan Is The Danube Institute’s President.** [The Danube Institute, accessed [05/28/24](#)]
- **John O’Sullivan Was The Heritage Foundation’s Director Of Studies From 1979 To 1983.** “Mr. O’Sullivan has held several positions in the world of think tanks. In addition to his fellowship at the Hudson Institute, he was Director of Studies at the Heritage Foundation in Washington (1979-83), where he was editor of Policy Review.” [National Review Institute, accessed [05/28/24](#)]

Because The Heritage-Danube Agreement Falls Outside Of FARA Requirements, “We Have No Idea How Much Funding May Be Flowing Directly From Orbán’s Regime To The Heritage Foundation.” “While the arrangements with Americans like Dreher appear to contravene America’s foreign lobbying laws, the relationship between Heritage and the Danube Institute unfortunately appears to fall outside of the purview of things like FARA. All of which means that we have no idea how much funding may be flowing directly from Orbán’s regime to the Heritage Foundation—and what this ‘landmark cooperation agreement’ between Heritage and the Danube Institute actually entails.” [The New Republic, [03/15/24](#)]

Roberts Has Called Reporting About The Heritage-Orbán Relationship “Baseless” And Claimed “Heritage Receives A Grand Total Of Zero Dollars From Foreign Governments” While Saying “We Are Especially Proud Of Our Relationship With” Orbán.

Roberts Called Reporting About Heritage’s Relationship With The Danube Institute “Baseless” And Claimed, “Let Me Be Clear: Heritage Receives A Grand Total Of Zero Dollars From Foreign Governments.” “The Heritage Foundation today released a statement from President Dr. Kevin Roberts, responding to a false news report about The Heritage Foundation’s relationship with the nation of Hungary. ‘In Washington, you can tell you are over the target when the knives start coming out. “Last week, The New Republic, a dying liberal mouthpiece, launched a baseless attack on The Heritage Foundation, falsely insinuating that Heritage receives funding and direction from the government of Hungary. Not only did the author fail to reach out to Heritage for clarification, but the publication’s editors have refused to retract the piece despite our repeated requests. ‘Let me be clear: Heritage receives a grand total of zero dollars from foreign governments. Leaders from around the globe come to Heritage and meet with us because of our rigorous research, policy expertise, and leadership of the conservative movement.’” [The Heritage Foundation, [03/19/24](#)]

Roberts Added, “We Are Especially Proud Of Our Relationship With Prime Minister Orbán, Whose Leadership In Hungary On Immigration, Family Policy, And The Importance Of The Nation-State Is A Model For Conservative Governance.” “Heritage is proud of our policy work on foreign policy and national security. We are especially proud of our relationship with Prime Minister Orbán, whose leadership in Hungary on immigration, family policy, and the importance of the nation-state is a model for conservative governance.” [The Heritage Foundation, [03/19/24](#)]

Prominent Conservative Marc Thiessen Has Vocally Criticized Heritage For Its Support For “Orbán’s Blood-And-Soil Nationalism,” Which He Called “Inimical To U.S. Conservatism.”

Prominent Conservative Marc Thiessen Said “Orban’s Blood-And-Soil Nationalism Is Inimical To U.S. Conservatism,” And Said, “By Embracing Orban, The Heritage Foundation And CPAC Are Supporting The Spread Of Communist China’s Malevolent Influence In The West.” “Orban’s blood-and-soil nationalism is inimical to U.S. conservatism, because what we are trying to conserve is not race or ethnicity but an idea: the idea of human freedom and the principles contained in our Declaration of Independence. Orban has embraced the enemies of those principles. By embracing Orban, the Heritage Foundation and CPAC are supporting the spread of Communist China’s malevolent influence in the West and undermining the national security interests of the United States.” [The Washington Post, [05/02/24](#)]

- **Marc Thiessen Is The “Former Chief Speechwriter” For President George W. Bush And A Fellow At The Conservative American Enterprise Institute.** “Marc Thiessen writes a column for The Post on foreign and domestic policy. He is a fellow at the American Enterprise Institute, and the former chief speechwriter for President George W. Bush.” [The Washington Post, [05/02/24](#)]

Kevin Roberts Has Regularly Platformed And Praised Extremists On His Podcast, Including “The Right’s Leading Culture Warrior” Christopher Rufo—Who Roberts Called “A Great American”—And Big Lie Leader Hans Von Spakovsky—A Heritage Staffer Who Roberts Said It Was A “Privilege” To Host.

May 2022: Kevin Roberts Hosted Christopher Rufo—Known As “The Right’s Leading Culture Warrior” In The “Anti-Woke” Movement—And Called Rufo “A Great American,” “My Friend Of Several Years,” And “One Of The Intellectual Leaders Of This Generation.”

May 2022: Kevin Roberts Hosted Christopher Rufo For A Discussion On “Creative Destruction And The Conservative Movement”:



Chris Rufo | Creative Destruction and the Conservative Movement

[The Kevin Roberts Show via YouTube, 11/30/22, accessed [05/30/24](#)]

Roberts Called Rufo “A Great American” And “My Friend Of Several Years.” “Welcome back to the Kevin Roberts Show. You know all of our guests are great. I don’t think all of them have the energy that this week’s

guest has. So you are in for a fast-paced wide-ranging conversation, even accounting for my Gulf Coast accent. So all of that to say, my friend of several years, senior fellow at Manhattan Institute, and Great American Chris Rufo.” [The Kevin Roberts Show via YouTube, 11/30/22, accessed [05/30/24 \(00:00\)](#)]

Roberts Told Rufo, “You Are One Of The Policy Leaders, One Of The Intellectual Leaders Of This Generation, Of The Conservative Movement.” “You are one of the policy leaders, one of the intellectual leaders of this generation, of the conservative movement, and so I thank you for that.” [The Kevin Roberts Show via YouTube, 11/30/22, accessed [05/30/24 \(35:16\)](#)]

Christopher Rufo Has Become “One Of The Most Prominent Figures In U.S. Conservatism,” Leading The “Anti-Woke” Movement Which Argues That “Leftist Ideology On Race And Gender Has Captured Fixtures Of American Life.” “Over the past three years, the 38-year-old activist has risen to a position as one of the most prominent figures in U.S. conservatism — a leader of an ascendant ‘anti-woke’ movement seeking to succeed Trumpism as the unifying force on the political right. At the core of his movement is the belief that leftist ideology on race and gender has captured fixtures of American life — universities, K-12 schools, medicine, the media, corporations — in what Rufo calls ‘the long march through the institutions.’ And it’s time for conservatives to take them back.” [KNKX, [06/20/23](#)]

Rufo Has Been Called “The Right’s Leading Culture Warrior.” “The right’s leading culture warrior has invented a leftist takeover of America to justify his very real power grabs.” [Vox, [09/10/23](#)]

Rufo, A Prominent Media Figure, Has Targeted “‘Diversity, Equity, And Inclusion’ Programs, Gender-Affirming Care For Minors, [And] The Normalization Of Drag Queens.” “With appearances on Fox News, a half a million Twitter followers, and stature as a senior fellow at the Manhattan Institute, he’s stoked outrage at trends he’s identified as symbols of that leftist march. Those include ‘diversity, equity, and inclusion’ programs, gender-affirming care for minors, the normalization of drag queens.” [KNKX, [06/20/23](#)]

August 2022: Roberts Said It Was A “Privilege” To Host Hans Von Spakovsky—Who Leads Heritage’s Election Law Reform Initiative And Is Known For Spreading The Big Lie Of Widespread Election Fraud—With Roberts Saying He Would Speak To Von Spakovsky “For Seven Or Eight Hours” And Admitted Working Closely With Him At Heritage.

August 2022: Kevin Roberts Hosted Hans Von Spakovsky For A Discussion Titled “Ranking Election Integrity In The States”:



Hans von Spakovsky: Ranking Election Integrity in the States

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[The Kevin Roberts Show via YouTube, 08/31/22, accessed [05/30/24](#)]

Roberts, Calling Von Spakovsky “A Friend And A Colleague,” Said “I Would Sit Here And Talk To Him For Seven Or Eight Hours” For The Episode And Added, “In Fact, We Do That Some Months Over A Period Of Several Meetings.” “Welcome back to the Kevin Roberts Show. As you know, if you are a regular member of the audience sometimes we’re able to have really long conversations with people and other times, because of the nature of current events, we have an abbreviated conversation. My guest in this episode is a friend and a colleague and I would sit here and talk to him for seven or eight hours. In fact, we do that some months over a period of several meetings.” [The Kevin Roberts Show via YouTube, 08/31/22, accessed [05/30/24 \(00:19\)](#)]

Roberts, Saying It Was “A Privilege” To Host Von Spakovsky, Called Him “One Of The Two Leading Experts In Election Law In This Country.” “But if people really knew the truth, they would know you’re the guy who travels a lot. You’re the guy in the trenches on election law. And you, I have come to know even prior to my arrival at Heritage, are way too humble to admit to this, but you are one of the two leading experts in election law in this country. And it’s a privilege to have you here.” [The Kevin Roberts Show via YouTube, 08/31/22, accessed [05/30/24 \(00:56\)](#)]

Hans Von Spakovsky, Who Has “Argued Strenuously That American Elections Are Rife With Serious Fraud,” Was Appointed To A Trump Administration Election Integrity Commission, Which Disbanded After Finding No Significant Evidence Of Voter Fraud. “Both men have argued strenuously that American elections are rife with serious fraud, and in 2017 they got a rare opportunity to make their case, when Trump appointed them to a Presidential commission on election integrity. Within months, after the commission was unable to find significant evidence of election fraud, it acrimoniously disbanded.” [The New Yorker, [08/02/21](#)]

After The Trump Administration, Hans Von Spakovsky Continued His “Crusade” Against Voter Fraud And Still Leads The Heritage Foundation’s Election Law Reform Initiative, Which Has Taken Funding From The Right-Wing Bradley Foundation. “Adams and von Spakovsky, who are members of what Roll Call has termed the Voter Fraud Brain Trust, have nevertheless continued their crusade, sustained partly by

Bradley funds. Von Spakovsky now heads the Heritage Foundation’s Election Law Reform Initiative, which has received grants from the Bradley Foundation.” [The New Yorker, [08/02/21](#)]

- **Von Spakovsky Still Led Heritage’s Election Law Reform Initiative As Of May 2024.** [The Heritage Foundation, accessed [05/30/24](#)]

While In The George W. Bush Justice Department, Hans Von Spakovsky Co-Led “Efforts To Use The Voting Rights Act, Which Was Designed To Protect Black Voters, To Prosecute Purported Fraud By Black Voters And Election Officials.” “Two other Public Interest Legal Foundation lawyers—its president, J. Christian Adams, and another board member, Hans von Spakovsky—served in George W. Bush’s Justice Department, where they began efforts to use the Voting Rights Act, which was designed to protect Black voters, to prosecute purported fraud by Black voters and election officials.” [The New Yorker, [08/02/21](#)]

Kevin Roberts Has Been A Guest On The Podcast Of Jordan Peterson, The “Right-Wing Self-Help Guru” Whose Show Is On The Right-Wing Ben Shapiro’s Daily Wire.

November 2023: Kevin Roberts Appeared On The Jordan B. Peterson Podcast. “Dr. Jordan B. Peterson sits down with the current president of the Heritage Foundation, Dr. Kevin Roberts. They discuss the operations and practical utility of think tanks, the state of progressivism across academia, how multiple generations of students are now incapable of facing adversity while claiming to fight it, and why intellectual combat is not something to shut down, but to champion against dire falsehoods.” [Jordan B. Peterson via YouTube, 11/16/23, accessed [05/30/24](#)]



[Jordan B. Peterson via YouTube, 11/16/23, accessed [05/30/24](#)]

Peterson, Who Has Been Called A “Right-Wing Self-Help Guru,” Is Part Of Ben Shapiro’s Daily Wire And Has Expressed Support For Conservative Politicians. “These days, he literally works for Ben Shapiro’s media organization The Daily Wire. And the reason Musk had to intervene to restore him to Twitter was that he’d been suspended for a tweet obnoxiously referring to trans actor Elliot Page as ‘she’—a tweet that struck some observers as designed to provoke an attention-grabbing suspension. [...] In a recent interview with

Piers Morgan, Peterson criticized Donald Trump's personality but defended the former president's policy record on the grounds that he hadn't started any wars and that he was good for 'the working class.' But he said that he'd personally prefer that Florida Gov. Ron DeSantis be president next time." [The Daily Beast, [11/26/22](#)]

- **Peterson Has Been Called A "Right-Wing Self-Help Guru."** "The right-wing self-help guru wants to help disaffected males, but he advocates for policies (and politicians) that prevent them from getting married and having kids." [The Daily Beast, [11/26/22](#)]

Roberts Has Claimed That Black Lives Matter Protests Were "Far Worse Than Jan. 6," That The Biden Family Is "The Far Bigger Threat To Our Republic," And He Answered "No" When Asked If He Believes Biden Won The 2020 Election.

Roberts Said 2020's Black Lives Matter Protests Were "Far Worse Than Jan. 6," Claiming Many Of Those Who Took Part In The Insurrection "Were Just Knuckleheads" And That The Biden Family Was "The Far Bigger Threat To Our Republic."

Roberts Said 2020's Black Lives Matter Protests Were "Far Worse Than Jan. 6.," Claiming That " A Lot Of The People In Jan. 6 Were Just Knuckleheads" And "The Far Bigger Threat To Our Republic Is The Biden Family." "This is the same secretary who, in the summer of 2020, refused to agree with President Trump in handling Black Lives Matter riots, and wherever someone may be on the motivation of some people in Black Lives Matter, those riots were awful. They were far worse than Jan. 6. A lot of the people in Jan. 6 were just knuckleheads. The amount of ink that has been spilled, the amount of political gain that Congresswoman Cheney has made as a result of that is just atrocious. And I think the far bigger threat to our republic is the Biden family." [The New York Times, [01/21/24](#)]

Kevin Roberts Answered "No." When Asked If He Believes That Biden Won The 2020 Election, Claiming "There Are Unknowns" About Election Results In Battleground States And Pointing To A Heritage Database "That Shows A Lot Of Instances Of Fraud."

January 2024: Kevin Roberts Answered "No." When The New York Times Asked If He Believes That President Biden Won The 2020 Election:

Do you believe that President Biden won the 2020 election?

No.

[The New York Times, [01/21/24](#)]

Roberts Said, "I Think There Are Unknowns" About Election Results In Counties In Arizona, Pennsylvania, And Wisconsin And Said, "Can I Say Definitively That He Won? No." "Can you tell me why? [...] Sure. I think there are unknowns. I don't know the outcome, but that's why I can't say yes definitively. And I am no conspiracy theorist at all, as some of the election-integrity people on the right will tell you. Still a lot of unknowns about two counties in Arizona, multiple counties in Pennsylvania, Wisconsin. Is it possible he won? Sure. But can I say definitively that he won? No. Having said that, I was very vocal at the end of 2020 and early 2021 that that's what we knew and the election needed to be certified. And so let's move on." [The New York Times, [01/21/24](#)]

Roberts Said, “We Have An Election-Fraud Database At Heritage That Shows A Lot Of Instances Of Fraud,” When A New York Times Reporter Said, “Pretty Much Every Bit Of Evidence Has Shown There Was No Substantial Fraud.” “Pretty much every bit of evidence has shown there was no substantial fraud. [...] We have an election-fraud database at Heritage that shows a lot of instances of fraud. What I’m not saying is that the examples in that database prove that Biden didn’t win. I’m not certain that he won.” [The New York Times, [01/21/24](#)]

Roberts Has Repeatedly Posted About Argentina’s “Anarcho-Capitalist” President Javier Milei—Who Campaigned On Radical Government Cuts And “Shock Economic Reforms”—With Roberts Quoting Milei’s Claim That “The Main Leaders Of The Western World Have Abandoned The Model Of Freedom For Different Versions Of What We Call Collectivism.”

In His Remarks To The 2024 World Economic Forum In Davos, Roberts Cited What He Called “The Wise Words Of Javier Milei, Who Said That He Was In Power ‘Not To Guide Sheep, But To Awaken Lions’”—Roberts Later Shared This Same Quote On His X Feed...

January 2024: In His Remarks To The World Economic Forum In Davos, Kevin Roberts Said He Thinks Trump Will “Be Inspired By The Wise Words Of Javier Milei, Who Said That He Was In Power ‘Not To Guide Sheep, But To Awaken Lions.’” “Ultimately, I think President Trump, if in fact he wins a second term, is going to be inspired by the wise words of Javier Milei, who said that he was in power ‘not to guide sheep, but to awaken lions.’ That’s what the average American and the average free person on planet Earth wants out of leaders.” [The American Conservative, [01/18/24](#)]

What Davos Can Expect From a Republican Admin

Exclusive to *The American Conservative*, the Heritage Foundation’s Kevin Roberts’s remarks at the World Economic Forum.

[The American Conservative, [01/18/24](#)]

January 2024: Kevin Roberts Shared A Quote By His Show Guest Billboard Chris—Who Claims To “Expose Gender Ideology”—That Said, “Javier Milei Said He’s ‘Not Here To Guide Sheep, He’s Here To Awaken Lions.’ That’s How I Feel—I Know For Every Thousand People I Talk To, Two Or Three Are Going To Start Fighting.”:

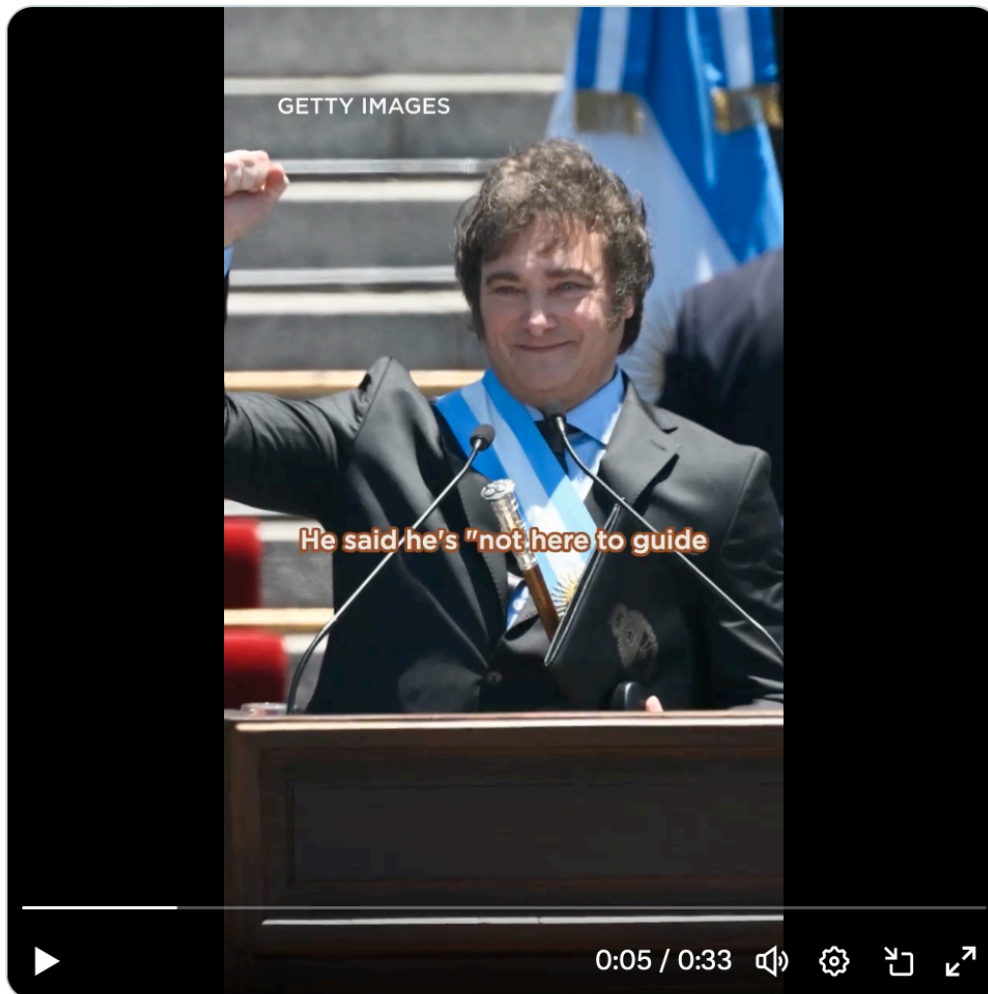


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.@BillboardChris: Javier Milei said he's "not here to guide sheep, he's here to awaken lions." That's how I feel—I know for every thousand people I talk to, two or three are going to start fighting.

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...In Turn, Javier Milei Shared A Video Of Roberts' Speech Against "Self-Appointed Global Elites" At The World Economic Forum.

January 2024: Javier Milei Shared A Video Post Of Roberts' World Economic Forum Appearance, Which Roberts Captioned With, "My Message To The Self-Appointed Global Elites: Your Time Is Up":



Javier Milei ✓ @JMilei

El remate no le caerá para nada bien a la progresía empobrecedora argenta...

Translated from Portuguese by Google

The finish will not come to naught as good as Argentina's impoverishing progress...

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Kevin Roberts ✓ @KevinRobertsTX · Jan 18

My message to the self-appointed global elites: Your time is up.



Heritage President Goes Scorched Earth on Global Elites

President Trump.

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[X Post by @JMilei, [01/19/24](#)]

Roberts Quoted And Shared A Video Of New Argentinian President Javier Milei—Who Campaigned On “Shock Economic Reforms”—Saying, “The Main Leaders Of The Western World Have Abandoned The Model Of Freedom For Different Versions Of What We Call Collectivism.”

January 2024: Kevin Roberts Quoted And Shared A Video Of Argentinian President Javier Milei Claiming, “The Main Leaders Of The Western World Have Abandoned The Model Of Freedom For Different Versions Of What We Call Collectivism”:



Indeed, “the main leaders of the Western world have abandoned the model of freedom for different versions of what we call collectivism.”

Looking forward to sharing the conservative promise of self-governance at [#WEF24](#).



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- **December 2023: Javier Milei, Who Campaigned On “Shock Economic Reforms” And Drew Comparisons To Trump, Was Sworn In As Argentina’s President.** “Javier Milei pledged a ‘new era’ for Argentina as he was sworn in as the country’s new president on Sunday, sealing the ascent of a political newcomer who garnered popularity by advocating shock economic reforms. Milei is an economist and former political commentator who took to wielding a chainsaw on the campaign to symbolise his intent to slash spending. His rise surprised Argentina’s political establishment, drawing comparisons with former US President Donald Trump.” [CNN, [12/10/23](#)]

After Milei’s Election, Roberts Cited Argentina As An Example Of “Free People Around The World Are Rising Up.”

January 2024: While Criticizing The World Economic Forum In Davos, Kevin Roberts Included Argentina As An Example Of “Free People Around The World Are Rising Up.” “The good news is that free people around the world are rising up. They’re doing so in Europe, they did so recently in Argentina, I think they will do so very soon in Taiwan this weekend.” [The Heritage Foundation via YouTube, 01/11/24, accessed [05/30/24 \(05:17\)](#)]

Argentina’s President Javier Milei Is A “Self-Proclaimed ‘Anarcho-Capitalist’” Who Has Called For Radical Cuts To Government, Whose Campaign Was “Inspired By Trump,” And Who Gave Trump “An Ecstatic Hug” At 2024’s Conservative Political Action Conference.

November 2023: Javier Milei, A “Self-Proclaimed ‘Anarcho-Capitalist,’” Won Argentina’s Presidential Election “By Wielding A Roaring Chain Saw On The Campaign Trail To Symbolize The Slashing He Planned For The Nation’s Government.” “Javier Milei won Argentina’s presidency last month by wielding a roaring chain saw on the campaign trail to symbolize the slashing he planned for the nation’s government. On Tuesday, two days after taking office, the self-proclaimed ‘anarcho-capitalist’ unveiled deep spending cuts and a sharp devaluation of Argentina’s currency, carrying the struggling nation of 46 million into a stretch of austerity that he said would bring even more economic pain.” [The New York Times, [12/12/23](#)]

- **Milei Has “Promoted A Strain Of Libertarianism, Which He Called Anarcho-Capitalism, That Essentially Says Society Is Better Without A State At All.”** “Mr. Milei, 53, first became known to Argentines as a conservative economist and television pundit who railed against big government and promoted a strain of libertarianism, which he called anarcho-capitalism, that essentially says society is better without a state at all.” [The New York Times, [12/12/23](#)]

Milei Has Promoted “‘Chainsaw’ Cost Cutting, Privatizations And Market-Led Policies.” “All eyes were on Argentina’s combative libertarian President Javier Milei on Friday ahead of a prime time state-of-the-union style speech set for the evening opening of Congress, even as protests started to build on the streets and markets rallied. The outsider economist and former TV pundit, who wants to shake up Argentina’s embattled economy with ‘chainsaw’ cost cutting, privatizations and market-led policies, is winning over markets but facing push back from workers and lawmakers.” [Reuters, [03/01/24](#)]

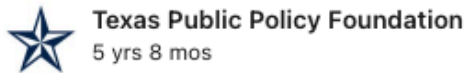
Milei Has Proposed Halving The Number Of Argentina’s Federal Ministries From 18 To 9, Among Other Government Cuts. “Mr. Milei’s government said it would halt new infrastructure projects; lay off recently hired government workers; reduce energy and transportation subsidies for residents; cut payments to Argentina’s 23 provinces; and halve the number of federal ministries, from 18 to nine.” [The New York Times, [12/12/23](#)]

2016-2021: While Roberts Was In The Leadership Of The Texas Public Policy Foundation (TPPF), The Right-Wing And Billionaire-Founded Group “More Than Doubled In Size,” Opened A Washington D.C. Branch, And Became A “Major Force” In The Conservative Movement With Many Alumni Joining The Trump White House.

While Kevin Roberts Was CEO, Executive Director, And Executive Vice President Of The Texas Public Policy Foundation (TPPF), The Group “More Than Doubled In Size,” Expanded Its Influence Nationwide, And Opened A Washington D.C. Branch Called States Trust.

Kevin Roberts Was The CEO Of The Texas Public Policy Foundation (TPPF) When He Was Named As President Of The Heritage Foundation In October 2021. “Roberts currently serves as the chief executive officer of the Texas Public Policy Foundation (TPPF), an Austin-based nonprofit, nonpartisan research institute and the largest state think tank in the nation.” [The Heritage Foundation, [10/14/21](#)]

- **Roberts Was At TPPF From May 2016 To December 2021, Serving As CEO, Executive Director, And Executive Vice President:**



- **Chief Executive Officer**
Full-time
Apr 2021 - Dec 2021 · 9 mos
Austin, Texas, United States

- **Executive Director**
Full-time
May 2018 - Apr 2021 · 3 yrs
Austin, Texas, United States

- **Executive Director**
Mar 2018 - Apr 2021 · 3 yrs 2 mos
Austin, Texas Area

- **Executive Vice President**
May 2016 - May 2018 · 2 yrs 1 mo

Strategic positioning on public policy issues; engagement with elected officials; fundraising.

[Linkedin Profile for Kevin D. Roberts, accessed [05/28/24](#)]

TPPF “More Than Doubled In Size” Under Roberts And He “Expanded The Texas Think Tank’s Influence Nationwide,” Including Opening A Washington D.C. Office. “Under Roberts’ leadership, TPPF more than doubled in size. He also expanded the Texas think tank’s influence nationwide, opening an office in Washington, D.C., so that TPPF research might better inform federal policy debates.” [The Heritage Foundation, [10/14/21](#)]

TPPF’s Washington D.C. Branch, Named States Trust, Had A Mission To “Advocate For National Criminal Justice, Energy, Immigration, And Health Care Policy.” “During Roberts’ tenure as CEO, TPPF opened a branch in Washington, D.C., known as States Trust, to effectively advocate for national criminal justice, energy, immigration, and health care policy, to name a few.” [Texas Public Policy Foundation, [10/14/21](#)]

- **States Trust Was “Founded As A Project On Behalf Of All 50 States” And Claims To Be “A Conduit For Successful State-Based Solutions—Both In And Outside Of Texas— That Are Ready For National Implementation.”** “States Trust is the federal affairs initiative of the Texas Public Policy Foundation (TPPF) housed just steps away from the United States Congress in Washington, D.C. [...] Founded as a project on behalf of all 50 states, States Trust is a conduit for successful state-based solutions—both in and outside of Texas— that are ready for national implementation and maintain the well-established principles of TPPF.” [Texas Public Policy Foundation, accessed [05/29/24](#)]

TPPF Credited Roberts For Having “Successfully Steered The Organization Through The Past Three Legislative Sessions, Coming Away With Historic Reforms, Such As Lowering Property Taxes, Securing Texas’ Election System, And Passing Responsible State Budgets.” “Today, the Texas Public Policy Foundation congratulated its CEO Kevin Roberts for being selected as The Heritage Foundation’s next

president. Under Roberts' leadership, TPPF has grown its influence in numerous policy issues not only within Texas but at the national level. Roberts successfully steered the organization through the past three legislative sessions, coming away with historic reforms, such as lowering property taxes, securing Texas' election system, and passing responsible state budgets." [Texas Public Policy Foundation, [10/14/21](#)]

TPPF Was Founded By A Billionaire And Its Early Board Of Directors Included Several Energy Industry Figures.

TPPF Was Founded By Billionaire "Technology Magnate" James Leininger And Its Board Included Energy Industry Executives, Investors, And An "Heir To A Substantial Ranching And Oil Fortune." "At the time, TPPF's boards included its billionaire founder (San Antonio medical technology magnate James Leininger), two wealthy Midland oil executives (Tim Dunn and Kyle Stallings), the wife of a former Republican U.S. senator (Wendy Lee Gramm of Helotes, outside San Antonio), an energy investor who ran a firm with several billion dollars in assets (Jeff Sandefer of Austin), and the heir to a substantial ranching and oil fortune (Windi Grimes of Houston)." [Texas Monthly, [04/04/24](#)]

While At TPPF, Roberts Became A Top Advisor For Texas Gov. Greg Abbott, Who Also Named Roberts To Lead The 1836 Project, "A Counter" To The New York Times' 1619 Project On Slavery.

While With TPPF, Roberts "Became One Of Texas Gov. Greg Abbott's Top Advisors." "But then a better offer came along from the conservative Texas Public Policy Foundation in Austin. Roberts became the Texas nonprofit's chief executive officer in 2018 and immediately became one of Texas Gov. Greg Abbott's top advisors." [WyoFile, [02/08/24](#)]

Gov. Abbott Named Roberts To Lead The 1836 Project, "A Counter To The New York Times' 1619 Project, Which Examined Slavery And The Founding Of The U.S." 'Abbott named him to head the 1836 Project, created to celebrate Texas history as an independent Republic and as a counter to the New York Times' 1619 Project, which examined slavery and the founding of the U.S." [WyoFile, [02/08/24](#)]

TPPF, Also Tied To Trump White House Domestic Policy Advisor Brooke Rollins, Became A "Major Force" In The Conservative Movement, Placed At Least Eight TPPF Alumni In Trump's White House, And Had Enjoyed Funding From The Koch Network And Major Oil Corporations.

April 2021: Kevin Roberts, Then TPPF President, Was Named The Group's CEO While Former TPPF President And Trump White House Domestic Policy Advisor Brooke Rollins Re-Joined The Group As A Senior Policy Advisor. "The Texas Public Policy Foundation announced that Brooke L. Rollins, former White House Domestic Policy Advisor and past TPPF President, will be rejoining the foundation as Senior Advisor and on the Board of Directors. Kevin Roberts, who took the helm of TPPF after Rollins, has been elevated to Chief Executive Officer and will also be joining the Board of Directors. Greg Sindelar has been promoted to Executive Director and Chief Operating Officer." [Texas Public Policy Foundation, [04/14/21](#)]

Rollins, Previously President And CEO Of TPPF, Joined The Trump White House In 2018. "We're 'taking all those ideas that we built out over the last four years and leaning into them,' said Rollins, who prior to joining the White House oversaw the Texas Public Policy Foundation, a conservative think tank based in Austin." [Politico, [03/03/21](#)]

- **Rollins Joined The Trump White House in 2018 After Serving 15 Years "At The Helm" Of TPPF.** "After 15 years at the helm, Rollins left TPPF in 2018 to be an assistant to the president in the White

House, directing the White House Office of American Innovation, Chief Strategist, and ultimately became Director of the Domestic Policy Council.” [Texas Public Policy Foundation, [04/14/21](#)]

- **Rollins Began Her Tenure As TPPF’s CEO In 2003.** “Rollins was CEO of TPPF from 2003 until last year, when she went to work in the White House.” [E&E News, [01/07/19](#)]

As Of January 2019, TPPF Had “At Least Eight Alumni Land In The White House, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission And Department Of The Interior,” Who Rejected Climate Science, Promoted The Fossil Fuel Industry, And Undermined Renewable Energy Subsidies. “A conservative think tank located in the heart of oil country has a big influence on President Trump’s environmental policy. The Texas Public Policy Foundation has seen at least eight alumni land in the White House, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission and Department of the Interior. The officials overwhelmingly reject climate science, promote more fossil fuel consumption and have run campaigns downplaying the value of renewable energy subsidies.” [E&E News, [01/07/19](#)]

Under Rollins, TPPF Became A “Major Force In The National Conservative And Liberty Movements,” Focusing On Education, Taxes, Tort Reform, Criminal Justice, Health Care, Immigration, And Other Issues. “Under Rollins’ leadership, the Foundation has grown from a small policy shop with fewer than a half-dozen employees in San Antonio, Texas, to a major force in the national conservative and liberty movements, with nearly 100 employees and a new headquarters just two blocks from the Texas State Capitol in Austin. In that period, the Foundation has driven the state and national conversations on topics such as education, taxes, tort reform, criminal justice, health care, immigration, and beyond.” [Texas Public Policy Foundation, accessed [03/10/21](#)]

TPPF Was Among The Charles Koch’s Foundation’s Biggest Grantees In 2017, Among Other Funding From Climate Deniers And Opponents Of Environmental Rules. “The foundation receives funding from groups that question climate science or push for weaker environmental rules. The Charles Koch Foundation donated almost \$2 million to the group in 2017, according to recent tax filings. That was one of the Koch foundation’s biggest contributions. It also marked a sharp increase over Koch’s 2016 contribution of \$612,250. In 2015, the foundation gave the Texas group \$175,375.” [E&E News, [01/07/19](#)]

- **A 2010 Document Showed That Its Biggest Funders Were The Koch Network, Exxon Mobil, Chevron, And ConocoPhillips.** “It also has the endorsement of the oil and gas industry. While TPPF does not disclose its funders, a 2010 funding list accidentally posted to GuideStar USA Inc. and first revealed by the *Texas Observer* provides a glimpse. The filings show the largest sums came from the Koch network, but other energy companies, including Exxon Mobil Corp., Chevron Corp. and ConocoPhillips, also contributed.” [E&E News, [01/07/19](#)]

TPPF Had A “Long Relationship” With Fossil-Fuel-Friendly Texas Governor And Trump Energy Secretary Rick Perry, For Whom Rollins Was Policy Director And Deputy General Counsel While He Was Governor.

The TPPF Had A “Long Relationship” With Trump Energy Secretary Rick Perry And “Helped Write Policy Proposals For Him” While He Was Governor Of Texas. “The group has a long relationship with Energy Secretary Rick Perry, dating back to his time as Texas governor, when it helped write policy proposals for him.” [E&E News, [01/07/19](#)]

Former TPPF President And CEO Rollins Was Previously Former Texas Governor Rick Perry’s (R-TX) Policy Director And Deputy General Counsel. “Before joining the Foundation, Rollins served as Governor Rick Perry’s Deputy General Counsel, and later as his Policy Director.” [Texas Public Policy Foundation, accessed [03/10/21](#)]

TPPF Has Avoided About \$3 Million On Property Taxes On its \$18 Million Headquarters By Claiming It Is A “Scientific Research Organization”—TPPF’s Then-Executive VP Kevin Roberts Signed TPPF’s 2015 Tax Filing Disclosing Funding For The Headquarters And Continued To Serve On The Board When The Tax Break Was Extended In 2023.

For At Least A Decade, TPPF “Hasn’t Paid A Single Dollar In Taxes On Its Lavish, Limestone-Fronted, Six-Story Headquarters,” Valued At \$18 Million, In Austin, Texas. “The Texas Public Policy Foundation, a right-wing think tank with ties to the state’s most powerful politicians and political donors, has long lobbied legislators to abolish property taxes. So far, this effort has failed. But TPPF has succeeded in another ambitious goal: ducking its own property taxes. For the past decade, Texas Monthly has learned, the think tank hasn’t paid a single dollar in taxes on its lavish, limestone-fronted, six-story headquarters, just two blocks from the Capitol in downtown Austin. The building’s appraised value is \$18 million.” [Texas Monthly, [04/04/24](#)]

- **The Headquarters Had “Six Floors And 42,000 Square Feet,” And “A Top-Floor Patio.”** “Six floors and 42,000 square feet, a top-floor patio and quasi-classical adornments on the building’s exterior.” [Texas Observer, [06/12/15](#)]

TPPF Has Avoided About \$3 Million In Taxes On Its Headquarters Since 2015, When A Republican Comptroller Granted The Group A Texas Property Tax Exemption Meant For Certain Types Of Non-Profit Organizations. “Under state law, exemption from property taxes is reserved only for some nonprofit organizations, including orphan-aid groups and animal shelters. A well-funded think tank that promotes the interests of the oil-and-gas industry and undermines support for public schools, among other causes, would not seem to qualify. Indeed, TPPF was twice denied an exemption. But it persisted by appealing to the comptroller’s office, the statewide tax agency. [...] In 2015, just one month after he was sworn in as comptroller, Glenn Hegar, a Republican former legislator from Katy, granted the foundation the exemption it had been seeking. So far TPPF has avoided paying about \$3 million in taxes on its headquarters. Roughly half of those dollars would have gone to the public schools that the foundation actively works to discredit.” [Texas Monthly, [04/04/24](#)]

In Order To Qualify For The Tax Break, TPPF Claimed It Was A “Scientific Research Organization,” Citing Six Of Its “Scholarly Publications”—Five Of Which Were “Written By Registered Lobbyists” And None Of Which Were Peer-Reviewed. “Now the think tank claimed that it was a ‘scientific research organization,’ one of the 26 types of charitable establishments that can qualify for a property-tax waiver. [...] As examples of its bona fides, TPPF pointed to six ‘scholarly publications’ it had issued. Five of the six were written by registered lobbyists, three of whom were former elected officials. None of the six papers was peer-reviewed, as is common with scientific papers.” [Texas Monthly, [04/04/24](#)]

Kevin Roberts, Who Joined TPPF As Its Executive Vice President In May 2016, Signed The Group’s 2015 Tax Filing:

Sign Here	Signature of officer	2016-07-15
	KEVIN ROBERTS EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT Type or print name and title	Date

[Texas Public Policy Foundation IRS Form 990, 2015, [07/15/16](#)]

- **In Its 2015 Tax Filing, TPPF Disclosed Transferring Over \$3.9 Million To Its Related Organization, 1835 Cannon Ltd. For The Construction Of The Headquarters:**

Return Reference	Explanation
Pt XI	Line 9 - Texas Public Policy Foundation transferred funds to 1835 Cannon, Ltd., a 501(c)(3) organization formed for the purpose of supporting the Texas Public Policy Foundation, for the construction of Texas Public Policy Foundation's new headquarters. Funds transferred during the year totaled \$3,924,810.

[Texas Public Policy Foundation IRS Form 990, 2015, [07/15/16](#)]

- **Kevin Roberts Joined TPPF In May 2016 As Its Executive Vice President:**

- **Executive Vice President**

May 2016 - May 2018 · 2 yrs 1 mo

Strategic positioning on public policy issues; engagement with elected officials; fundraising.

[Linkedin Profile for Kevin D. Roberts, accessed [05/28/24](#)]

In 2023, While Roberts Was On TPPF's Board, TPPF's Tax Exemption Was Granted A Five-Year Extension By The Same Comptroller. "In 2023 the comptroller and local tax appraisers renewed the exemption for another five years." [Texas Monthly, [04/04/24](#)]

- **Glenn Hegar Is Still Texas Comptroller.** [Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts, accessed [05/29/24](#)]
- **Roberts Was On TPPF's Board Of Directors As Of Early 2023.** [Texas Public Policy Foundation via Archive.org, 02/04/23, accessed [05/29/24](#)]

TPPF Was Criticized For Its "Aggressive And Questionable Use Of This Tax Break," In Addition To Its Use Of A "Separate, Federally Subsidized Construction Loan Meant For Disadvantaged Businesses In Distressed Areas." "The foundation's aggressive and questionable use of this tax break has never previously been reported. Nor has its qualification for a separate, federally subsidized construction loan meant for disadvantaged businesses in distressed areas. The tax advantages cast light on how the group may have used its political connections to secure relief that critics say it shouldn't have received." [Texas Monthly, [04/04/24](#)]



[Sixthriver, accessed [05/28/24](#)]



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2013-2016: Roberts Was President Of Wyoming Catholic College (WCC), Where He Refused Federal Funding In Order To Preserve The School’s “Independence”—Which Meant Blocking LGBTQ Students And Employees, Whom Roberts Said “Would Be Contravening Church Teaching Just By Being Here.”

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In 2013, Roberts Resigned From The John Paul The Great Academy To Become President Of Wyoming Catholic College (WCC), Where He “Adopted A Policy Of Refusing To Accept Federal Student Loans And Grants.” “In 2013, he resigned from the academy to become president of Wyoming Catholic College. Under his leadership, the college adopted a policy of refusing to accept federal student loans and grants, lest it be forced to violate Catholic tenets. This independent stance led The New York Times to describe the school as being full of ‘cowboy Catholics.’” [The Heritage Foundation, [10/14/21](#)]

- **As Of 2015, WCC Had 10:30pm Curfews, Permitted Couples An “Occasional Hug” In Public Settings And Forbade Men To Walk Around Shirtless.** “Curfews are set at 10:30 p.m. during the week. The dress code calls for businesslike attire and forbids men to walk around shirtless, but this being Wyoming, it does allow ‘dress jeans’ in class. Couples are allowed to hold hands on campus and ‘an occasional hug,’ but are advised not to be overly physical.” [The New York Times, [04/11/15](#)]
- **At WCC, “Premarital Sex Is Cause For Expulsion.”** “The school itself has strict behavior policies. Students can hold hands, but premarital sex is cause for expulsion. There is a 10:30 p.m. curfew. Male students are banned from going shirtless. There are dances — ballroom and western — and concerts, but Wyoming Catholic College is the opposite of a party school.” [WyoFile, [02/08/24](#)]

Roberts Was WCC’s President From May 2013 To May 2016:



President

Wyoming Catholic College

May 2013 - May 2016 · 3 yrs 1 mo

[Linkedin Profile for Kevin Roberts, accessed [05/30/24](#)]

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- **Headline: Wyoming’s ‘Cowboy Catholic’ could remake government if Trump wins** [WyoFile, [02/08/24](#)]

Roberts Said That Rejecting Federal Funding “Will Safeguard Our Mission From Unwarranted Federal Involvement—An Involvement Increasingly At Odds With Our Catholic Beliefs.” “Wyoming Catholic College President Dr. Kevin Roberts, who earned his Ph.D. in History at UT Austin in 2003, was recently quoted in the New York Times, regarding his school’s decision to reject federal funding programs. The decision, Dr. Roberts said on the national cable talk show Fox & Friends, ‘will safeguard our mission from unwarranted federal involvement—an involvement increasingly at odds with our Catholic beliefs, the content of our curriculum, and our institutional practices.’” [University of Texas College Of Liberal Arts, accessed [05/22/24](#)]

- **WCC Officials Convinced Students And Parents To Take Additional Private Loans To Compensate For The Lack Of Federal Assistance, Which Was Previously Used By About 80% Of Students.** “About 80 percent of the students receive some kind of financial aid, so the school figured it would lose \$650,000 annually in loans and \$250,000 in Pell grants that students would have used to pay their tuition. School officials talked to students and parents about the additional financial burdens of getting private loans at higher rates, and asked whether it would be worth it to turn their backs on a

revenue source accepted by an overwhelming majority of religious and secular schools. The overwhelming response, the officials said, was ‘yes.’” [The New York Times, [04/11/15](#)]

While Discussing WCC’s Refusal Of Federal Funding In 2015, Roberts Said, “‘it’s Clear That This Administration [The Obama Administration] Does Not Care About Catholic Teaching.’” “To the college’s leaders, rejecting government-backed aid was an expensive effort to defend against what they called growing government threats to religious freedoms. If you do not take the money, leaders argue, the government cannot tell you what to do. ‘It allows us to practice our Catholic faith without qualifying it,’ said Kevin Roberts, the college’s president, a Louisiana transplant who now wears a black cowboy hat to work in this town of 7,500. ‘It’s clear that this administration does not care about Catholic teaching.’” [The New York Times, [04/11/15](#)]

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Kevin Roberts, Who Lived In Lander, Wyoming, Calls The State His “‘Spiritual Home.’” “On Jan. 18, the 49-year-old former Lander resident, who calls Wyoming his ‘spiritual home’ made international headlines by lambasting his hosts at the elite World Economic Forum in Davos, Switzerland.” [WyoFile, [02/08/24](#)]

2006-2013: Roberts Founded And Led The John Paul The Great Academy, A Private Catholic School Formerly Known As The Pope John Paul II Academy, And Continues To Serve As Its Chairman Emeritus—The School Hosted “‘Prominent” QAnon Pusher Jim Caviezel In 2024 And Fox News Host Bret Baier In 2011, Because Roberts Said He Was A “‘Larger Net’” For Fundraising.

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Founder, President, and Headmaster

John Paul the Great Academy

Jul 2006 - Jun 2013 · 7 yrs

Founded startup school; wrote and implemented curriculum; fundraising; hiring and management.

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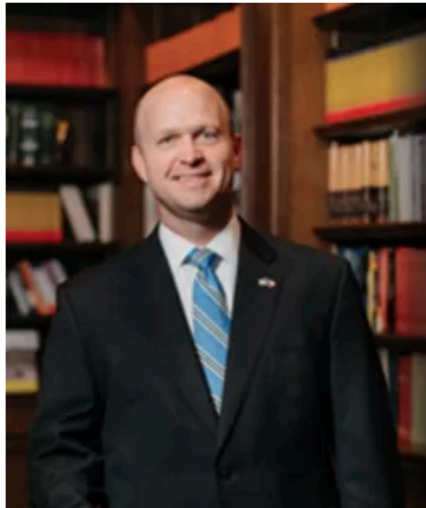
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[John Paul the Great Academy via Issuu, [03/26/18](#)]

Roberts And His Wife Were “Compelled By The Holy Spirit” To Move Back To Lafayette, Louisiana To Start The John Paul II Academy. “Realizing a call to administrative work, Roberts moved from the academic life to a highly selective college prep school in Alabama. It was there that Roberts and his wife, compelled by the Holy Spirit, decided to move back home to start Pope John Paul II Academy. Roberts is a highly-sought speaker nationally on education reform, the problems of the modern welfare state, and the Christian founding of the American republic.” [Pope John Paul II Academy via GuideStar, [2010 \(PDF\)](#)]

- **Kevin Roberts' Wife Is Named Michelle.** “The move also coincided, Roberts told me, with a dramatic deepening of his and his wife Michelle's Catholic faith. They now have four children and belong to a parish in Springfield, Virginia; he also attends daily Mass at a church near Heritage's headquarters on Capitol Hill.” [NOTUS, [01/29/24](#)]

Roberts Continues To Serve As Chair Emeritus Of John Paul The Great Academy, A Private Catholic School. “John Paul the Great Academy is a private, PK-12 independent school committed to teaching an exemplary, rigorous classical curriculum, and a comprehensive understanding of the Roman Catholic faith.” [John Paul the Great Academy, accessed [05/23/24](#)]



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Chair Emeritus

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JIM CAVIEZEL

CATHOLIC FAITH ADVOCATE, ACCLAIMED ACTOR, INSPIRING SPEAKER, ICONIC PORTRAYAL OF JESUS, PHILANTHROPIC LEADER




[John Paul the Great Academy, accessed [05/23/24](#)]

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The Event’s Highest Sponsorship Level Was \$10,000:

	GRAND EVENT SPONSOR \$10,000	MISSION SPONSOR \$5,000	LOGO SPONSOR \$1,500
Pre-Social Tickets with Jim C. & Photo Opportunity	4	2	
Reserved Seating for Keynote	8	4	2
Reserved Parking at Event & Prayer Intentions at JPG School Masses	✓	✓	✓
Social Media Advertisement	✓	✓	✓
Logo on Event Sponsor Board	✓	✓	✓
Individual Event Signage Advertisement & Radio/ TV Mentions	✓		

[John Paul the Great Academy, accessed [05/23/24](#)]

2011: Roberts Brought In Fox News Host Bret Baier To Speak At A Fundraiser Gala For The Academy, Originally Named The Pope John Paul II Academy, Citing Baier’s Ability To Bring A “Larger Net” To Help Fundraise For The School’s Planned Move To A Permanent Campus.

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[John Paul the Great Academy via Issuu, [03/26/18](#)]

Then-Headmaster Kevin Roberts Said Baier Was Requested Due To His Catholic Faith And His Potential To Bring A “Larger Net” To Help Fundraise For The School’s Planned Move To A Permanent Campus. “Headmaster Kevin Roberts says Baier was requested as guest speaker because of his Catholic faith - and in hopes of bringing in a ‘larger net’ for the school's planned move to a permanent campus on Carmel Drive at Magnolia Community where the De La Salle Christian Brothers are housed. The academy is currently operating out of a temporary facility on the Carencro-Lafayette border until students move to the Carmel Drive campus in the fall.” [The Independent, [02/15/11](#)]

2008-2010: Roberts Was Founder And Executive Director For Catholic Families For America, A Political Group That Appears To Have Also Gone By The Name Catholic Family Caucus—In 2011, The Group Was Folded Into Major Religious Group CatholicVote.org, With Roberts Joining The Larger Group’s PAC Advisory Board.

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Kevin Roberts Was Executive Director Of Catholic Families For America From November 2008 To November 2010—He Does Not Include This Role In His More Current LinkedIn Profile:

**Executive Director**
Catholic Families for America
Nov 2008 - Nov 2010 · 2 yrs 1 mo
Washington, DC

[LinkedIn Profile for Kevin Roberts, accessed [05/23/24](#)]

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Catholic Families For America, Whose X Profile Was Under Kevin Roberts' Name, Listed A Website Address For The Catholic Family Caucus:



Kevin Roberts
@CatholicFamily

Catholic Families for America promotes authentically Catholic, conservative principles in the public square.

📍 Austin, Texas [catholicfamilycaucus.org](#) 📅 Joined February 2009

0 Following 34 Followers

[X Profile for @CatholicFamily, accessed [05/23/24](#)]

- **@CatholicFamily's Most Recent Tweet Was November 11, 2013:**



Kevin Roberts @CatholicFamily · Nov 11, 2013
[greaterlondonpharmacy.com/products/aleve](#)

[X Post by @CatholicFamily, [11/11/13](#)]

Kevin Roberts Was A Director For Catholic Family Caucus, Registered In 2009 Under Robert's Name:

Previous Names	
Business:	CATHOLIC FAMILY CAUCUS
Charter Number:	37058432N
Registration Date:	5/29/2009
Domicile Address	839 BIHM ROAD OPELOUSAS, LA 70570
Mailing Address	C/O KEVIN DAVID ROBERTS 839 BIHM ROAD OPELOUSAS, LA 70570
Status	[...]

Officer(s)	
Officer:	KEVIN DAVID ROBERTS
Title:	Director
Address 1:	839 BIHM ROAD
City, State, Zip:	OPELOUSAS, LA 70570

[Louisiana Secretary of State, accessed [05/23/24](#)]

- **Catholic Family Caucus Is Inactive:**

Status	
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[Louisiana Secretary of State, accessed [05/23/24](#)]

- **Catholic Families For America Does Not Have A Listing In The Louisiana Secretary Of State's Business Database.** [Louisiana Secretary of State, accessed [05/24/24](#)]

In 2011, Catholic Families For America Joined CatholicVote.org, With Roberts Joining CatholicVote's PAC Advisory Board And Roberts Continuing To Enjoy CatholicVote's Praise Into 2024—From 2021 To 2022 Alone, CatholicVote.Org Saw \$1.75 Million From Right-Wing Court Architect Leonard Leo's Dark Money Network.

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- **CatholicVote.Org Has Been Backed By Leonard Leo's Dark Money Network, Taking \$1.75 Million From Leo's Concord Fund From 2021 To 2022.** "While Schwalb's office has not confirmed the existence of its probe, POLITICO broke the news on Aug. 22 that Leo was under investigation. A few days later, a group called CatholicVote.org, which received \$1.75 million from Concord Fund from 2021 to 2022, wrote an article that Schwalb was targeting Leo for his role 'in setting the stage for the overturning of Roe v. Wade.'" [Politico, [03/23/24](#)]

February 2024: CatholicVote.org Published An Article Praising Roberts' Plan To "Reshape" The Federal Government, With The Heritage Foundation Serving As "The Main Policy And Personnel Engine For The New Administration." "If Donald Trump wins the 2024 presidential election, the Catholic president of the think tank Heritage Foundation has a comprehensive plan to help him 'reshape' the federal government in a conservative vision. According to Wyoming journalism outlet WyoFile, 'If Donald Trump is reelected, Heritage under Roberts is uniquely poised to be the main policy and personnel engine for the new administration, just as it was for Ronald Reagan in the 1980s.'" [CatholicVote.org, [02/13/24](#)]

Catholic President of Heritage Foundation Hopes to Help 'Reshape' Government if Trump Wins

[CatholicVote.org, [02/13/24](#)]

One Of Roberts' Episodes On Narcissism Seemed To Call Then-President Obama The "Narcissist In Chief." "In today's special weekend edition, I focus on a problem that underlay most of the problems we see in society — narcissism. From the policies of the Narcissist in Chief to the elevating of personal, selfish aims above the nation, Church, and family, our society is beset with this problem." [CapitolHillCatholic.com via Archive.org, captured 02/01/11, accessed [05/23/24](#)]

One Of Roberts' Episodes Warned Of "The Weakness Of American Culture" And "The Extensive Damage Caused By Decades Of Liberalism And Secularism In This Country." "With the escalation of the Korean Conflict this morning, we are reminded of the weakness of American foreign policy — as well as the weakness of American culture. Interestingly, war abroad reminds us of the extensive damage caused by decades of liberalism and secularism in this country." [CapitolHillCatholic.com via Archive.org, captured 02/01/11, accessed [05/23/24](#)]

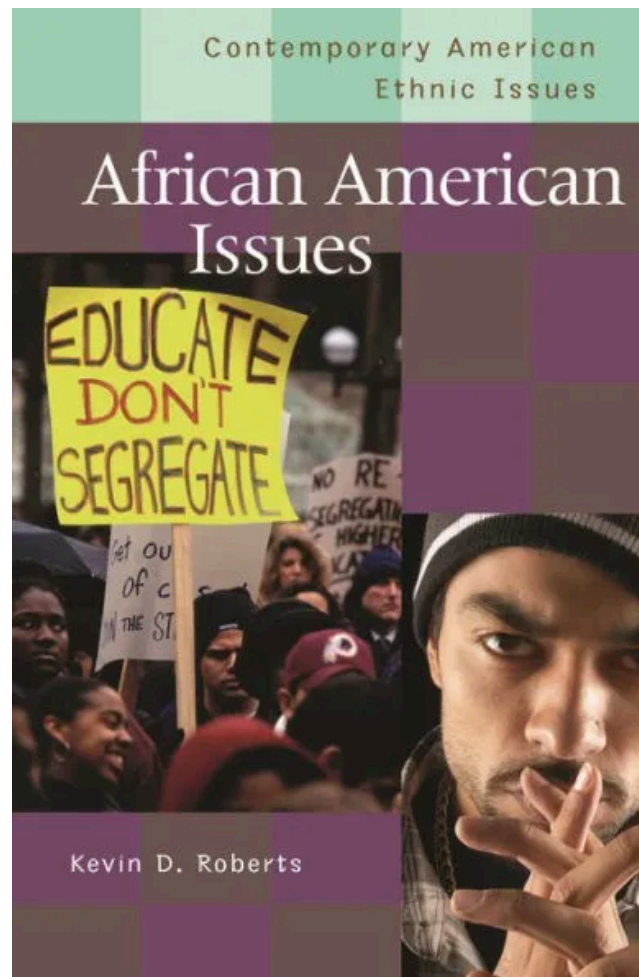
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- **Roberts Was Assistant Professor Of History At New Mexico State University At The Time.** "Kevin D. Roberts is Assistant Professor of History at New Mexico State University." [Barnes & Noble, accessed [05/23/24](#)]

- **2003-2005: Roberts Was An Assistant Professor Of History At New Mexico State University.** “2003-2005 - Assistant Professor of History, New Mexico State University” [Dr. Kevin D. Roberts Curriculum Vitae, accessed [05/30/24](#)]
- **The Book Was Published In 2005.** [Barnes & Noble, accessed [05/23/24](#)]



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Roberts’ Book Discussed “Whether Comic Bill Cosby’s Comments About African Americans Are On Target”—Cosby Was Known For Having “Used His Celebrity Status To Condemn Poor African-Americans.” “Under the topical chapters, readers will be able to consider the fuller spectrum of news items, such as the basis of Kwanzaa, whether comic Bill Cosby’s comments about African Americans are on target, and what can be done about the voting disenfranchising in our current political system.” [Barnes & Noble, accessed [05/23/24](#)]

- **Bill Cosby “Used His Celebrity Status To Condemn Poor African-Americans, Chiding Them To Pull Up Their Sagging Pants, Deriding Them For Having Children Out Of Wedlock And Blaming Them For Their Impoverished Circumstances.”** “After spending years building his persona as a model husband and father, Bill Cosby took an abrupt turn nearly 15 years ago with a now-infamous speech to an NAACP convention. He used his celebrity status to condemn poor African-Americans, chiding them to pull up their sagging pants, deriding them for having children out of wedlock and blaming them for their impoverished circumstances. ‘Are you not paying attention? People with their hat on backwards, pants down around the crack . with names like Shaniqua, Shaligua, Mohammed and all that crap, and all of them are in jail.’” [Associated Press, [09/26/18](#)]

Roberts' Book Framed Each Issue In A "Both-Sides Structure"—While Discussing Systemic Racism, Roberts "Cite[s] Opposing Advocates And Dr[ew] No Conclusions." "Each issue is framed in a formulaic both-sides structure. On the question of whether racism remains systemically present in parts of society, he cites opposing advocates and draws no conclusions." [NOTUS, [01/29/24](#)]

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Dr. Kevin Roberts

kevinroberts@reagan.com
(512) 472-2700

Living our Civic Duty Consistent
with Catholic Social Teaching

Stipend \$250

Travel From Austin, TX

Comments Best talk on this topic I've ever heard!

[Legatus via PubHTML5, [2021](#)]



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Legatus Has Been Called “An Organization Of Wealthy Businessmen.” “She details the connections and the new generations of conservative money and influence: Thomas Monaghan and his Legatus, an organization of wealthy businessmen [...]” [National Catholic Reporter, [05/19/23](#)]

Legatus Members Must Hold “The Top Position” Of A Company With Significant Payroll And Business Volume:

MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS

There are four criteria for membership

Catholic

Qualifying member must be a Catholic in good standing

Role

Individual who holds the top position of a qualifying company, subsidiary, or division and is directly responsible for all operations of the business, subsidiary, or division such as Chairman, President, CEO, Managing Director, Division Head, Owner

Payroll

40 employees

~OR~

\$1.5M annual payroll
(Excluding the qualifying member's payroll)

Volume

Revenue of \$9M

~OR~

\$2M for financial
or commission-based
client services

Emeritus Member

Applicants qualify for emeritus membership if they formerly met the above criteria.

[Legatus, accessed [05/30/24](#)]