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I am now home from having triple bypass surgery. I will be sending news out but it will be very abbreviated with only titles and links You can also subscribe to one of the many Israel reviews that are mailed out daily.

Thank you for your patience. rdb

Netanyahu reveals prostate cancer treatment, which he underwent without informing public

Malignant tumor found months ago successfully treated with radiation therapy, doctor says; PM, 76, says he withheld diagnosis to prevent Iran from spreading propaganda mid-war

By [ToI Staff](#) Today, 5:35 pm

<https://www.timesofisrael.com/pm-reveals-prostate-cancer-treatment-which-he-underwent-without-informing-public/>

US planning renewed military action against Iranian infrastructure should talks fail - CNN

The option to strike Iranian energy infrastructure, as Trump had previously threatened, remains on the table as a way to pressure Tehran into agreeing to a deal.

By [MIRIAM SELA-EITAM](#) APRIL 24, 2026 08:22

<https://www.jpost.com/middle-east/iran-news/article-894052>

Female IDF soldiers in Lebanon defy skepticism: 'We know our worth'

After serving in Gaza and Syria, female IDF soldiers now in Lebanon reject bias against women in combat, saying they prove their value despite skepticism from commanders

[Gal Ganot](#) | 15:51

<https://www.ynetnews.com/article/ryllmlta11x>

Amid truce, Hezbollah attacks IDF in south Lebanon; troops kill 6 gunmen in Bint Jbeil IDF also strikes buildings from which terror group launched rocket barrage at north shortly before Trump announced ceasefire extension; Israeli drone downed over Tyre

By [Emanuel Fabian](#)

Today, 9:44 pm

<https://www.timesofisrael.com/amid-truce-hezbollah-attacks-idf-in-south-lebanon-troops-kill-6-gunmen-in-bint-jbeil/>

Trump declares 3-week truce extension after hosting 2nd round of Israel-Lebanon talks

US president says Netanyahu and Aoun will likely meet at White House in coming weeks; did not know about Lebanese law outlawing contact with Israelis but insists it will be scrapped

By [Jacob Magid](#)

Today, 3:45 am

<https://www.timesofisrael.com/trump-declares-3-week-truce-extension-after-hosting-2nd-round-of-israel-lebanon-talks/>

US legal adviser says Iran war justified by Tehran's 'aggression' over decades

State Department Legal Adviser Reed Rubinstein made the arguments in a statement released days before a deadline for Trump to obtain congressional approval for the war with Iran.

By [REUTERS](#) APRIL 24, 2026 21:36

<https://www.jpost.com/american-politics/article-894082>

US envoys Witkoff, Kushner to depart Saturday for Iran talks in Pakistan — White House

Leavitt claims Tehran asked for in-person meeting, but Trump's envoys won't arrive in Islamabad until Sunday, while Iran FM lands on Friday and reportedly has no plans to meet them

By [Tol Staff](#), [Agencies](#) and [Jacob Magid](#)

Today, 7:39 pm

<https://www.timesofisrael.com/trump-said-dispatching-witkoff-kushner-for-talks-with-iran-fm-in-pakistan-in-coming-days/>

Jewish groups protest as California sends out antisemitic conspiracies in voter guide US state distributes booklet to voters with a candidate statement blaming Israel for assassination of Charlie Kirk, attacking the Talmud, and linking to white supremacist sites

By [Luke Tress](#)

Today, 5:18 am

<https://www.timesofisrael.com/jewish-groups-protest-as-california-sends-out-antisemitic-conspiracies-in-voter-guide/>

Mamdani vetoes school buffer zone bill; leading Jewish groups pan 'profound failure' NYC mayor will allow measure to protect houses of worship to pass into law; Long Island congressman proposes federal legislation to protect religious sites

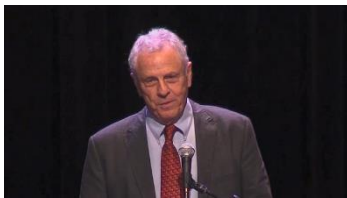
By [Luke Tress](#)

<https://www.timesofisrael.com/mamdani-vetoes-school-buffer-zone-bill-leading-jewish-groups-pan-profound-failure/>

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The SPLC Was One Giant Fraud

Thu, 23 Apr 2026 7:01 PM PST by Daniel Greenfield



Fourteen years ago, the Southern Poverty Law Center [named me a hate group](#) of one. The honor wasn't mine alone, I shared it with a sign outside a bar and a brand of gun oil.

What was behind the SPLC's sloppy hate group designation of one man, a bar sign and other random items was its obsession with manufacturing a constant rise in 'hate groups.'

Year after year, the SPLC would issue reports claiming that hate groups were increasing in number, and then fundraise off the urgent threat that they had invented.

I caught them doing it time and time again.

In 2017, the SPLC [issued a report](#) claiming that the "number of anti-Muslim hate groups tripled since 2015". How did the leftist group arrive at this number? It listed Act for America, a patriotic organization started by a Christian refugee from Islamic persecution, as one group in 2015.

Then it listed 45 chapters of Act for America as separate organizations in 2017. Suddenly the number of 'Islamophobic' groups [had tripled](#). Such pathetically obvious statistical frauds were all too common in the Southern Poverty Law Center's work, but the media rarely questioned it.

Or why the SPLC seemed so bent on artificially inflating the number of supposed hate groups.

Next year however the SPLC listed a progressive town on its 'Hate Map' because there had been an online comment that proposed a Neo-Nazi book club should meet there. There was no evidence that the club existed, that it had ever met at the town or that the town had anything to do with it, but the town still found it impossible to get the SPLC to delist it. And media stories appeared for the first time questioning the SPLC's methodology which

proved to be made up.

In addition to inventing and faking 'hate groups', we already knew that the Southern Poverty Law Center had been helping fund some hate groups, but the [recent grand jury indictment](#) of the organization shows that the scale of these payments had surpassed \$3 million.

Even while old ladies were being sent envelopes stamped with klansmen burning crosses and urged to donate to stop them, the SPLC was using their money to fund members of both the Ku Klux Klan and the United Klans of America through bank accounts linked to fake organizations.

Despite its public hostility, the SPLC always had always enjoyed a somehow complicated relationship with the KKK. Morris Dees (above), the founder of the SPLC, who had formerly worked for George Wallace, had defended a klansman attacking civil rights workers. Dees, an experienced direct marketer, turned his direct sales machine into the SPLC, suing Klan groups for millions, and then funneled millions to Klan members supposedly acting as 'informants' in ways that blurred the line between the SPLC and the KKK. The line grew even blurrier when Dees was ousted from the SPLC over organizational sexism and racism allegations.

Dees had switched from profiting off the KKK and allied racists to profiting from white liberal northerners who viewed them as a dangerous bogeyman. When efforts to pretend that the KKK was still relevant faltered, the SPLC went into the business of similarly fighting religious conservatives and anyone concerned about Islam. That's how I became a hate group.

Along the way, the SPLC tried to destroy the David Horowitz Freedom Center, running a [covert campaign to get our bank accounts shut down](#), to cut off donations to us and to stop us from being able to run our websites, like [Front Page Magazine](#), and to even exist at all on the internet. We eventually beat the SPLC, but not without taking a serious beating along the way. Others suffered worse. Including a terrorist attack aimed at Alliance Defending Freedom by a gunman sourcing his target from the SPLC.

But, unlike the KKK, the SPLC didn't write us any checks.

The SPLC had two motives for its systemic fraud: first to raise money, and second, to manufacture a crisis of constantly growing hate groups to justify censoring conservatives.

Equating David Horowitz, who had fought for civil rights, with the Klan, which turned out to be subsidized by the SPLC, was about weaponizing the fake campaign against the KKK to eliminate as much of the conservative movement as the leftist group could manage to take out.

The SPLC needed the KKK, just as it needed the 'Unite the Right' rally, where it was helping to fund a participant, to keep the money coming and to end free speech in America.

Soon after the Southern Poverty Law Center named me a hate group and I began looking into their hate maps and hate lists, I quickly saw that the SPLC was faking its data. The fake data helped make the SPLC into an authority on 'hate'. The FBI and local law enforcement turned to the SPLC Politicians propped it up. The tech industry allowed it to censor whom it wanted to.

My listing was just one piece of bad data that the SPLC had been feeding into a machine of lies that made it wealthy and powerful. The Southern Poverty Law Center's reign of terror was built on lies, on fraud and on funding the very people whom it promised donors that it was fighting.

Now, the curtain is rising to reveal the SPLC's dirty tactics and how it faked hate in America.

The Southern Poverty Law Center faked a crisis to gain power and profit. Now it's time for the SPLC to apologize to organizations like ours and to individuals like me for trying to destroy them by using lies, and it's time for the legal system to hold the SPLC accountable for funding hate.

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STEP BY STEP

STEP BY STEP: Good news is that many friends and supporters of Lev U'Neshama (Heart and Soul) donated towards the Education Fund project to provide basic school supplies for actually 350 children within our Lev U'Neshama families.

We are grateful that the school supply part of our effort has been successful.

According to the Israel Population and Statistics office, Tzfat's population is about 40,000, and one third

live at the poverty level. We do what we can so at least the children within our struggling LUN families can get the things they need.

Every week we are providing new sport shoes and eye exams/eyeglasses to the children on our request list. However, previous donations are rapidly dwindling. I am reaching out now before the fund has been emptied and we will have to say "no" to additional requests.

We work with two local shoe merchants who give Lev U'Neshama a discount but they advised us the cost of the shoes has increased. Also, we work with an accredited optician in town who also gives us a discount but his cost is stable.

Lev U'Neshama is an Israeli registered non-profit charity organization, volunteer run, no business expenses whatsoever and every \$ goes into our programs.

Shoes: \$45 per pair regular and \$60 for First Steps, baby shoes.

Eye Exam/Eyeglasses: \$60 per child.

Your support is urgently requested.

Or use the Zelle US to US bank transfer system (contact me at mortsmo@aol.com for bank information).

US Donors may also send checks made payable to

Simcha Smolensky, my son, who is also a volunteer. Send to:

Rabbi Simcha Smolensky, 6739 N Mozart St Chicago IL 60645

Your support will be appreciated.

Yaffa Smolensky