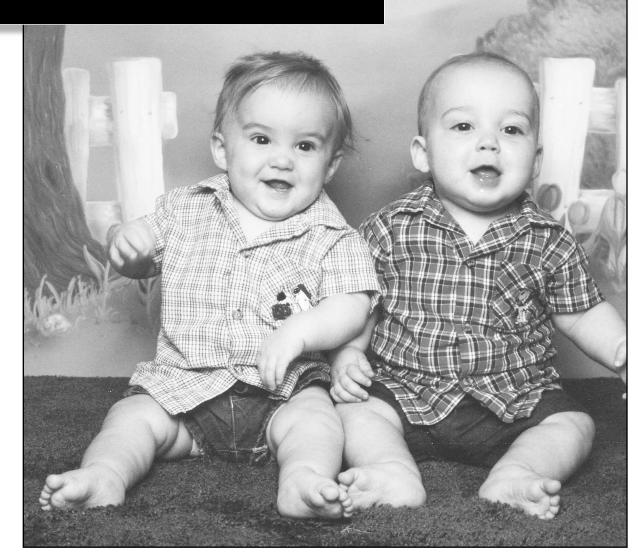
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WE DON'T NEED TO DESTROY LIFE FOR MEDICAL PROGRESS

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Myth: "Excess embryos are just going to be discarded anyway"

## **Reality:** Meet Mark and Luke Borden.



## Mark and Luke Borden were adopted when they were frozen embryos.

oday, parents can preserve "excess" embryos for future pregnancies or donate them to other couples. Under proposed NIH guidelines, parents will be asked to consider having them destroyed for government-funded research instead.

Under the NIH guidelines, children like Mark and Luke might already be gone destroyed for government-funded research when they were still embryos.

What's more — embryonic stem cells have not helped a single human, while adult stem cells and similar ethical alternatives have helped hundreds of thousands. IN A RECENT STUDY OF PARENTS WHO PLANNED TO DISCARD THEIR EMBRYOS AFTER THREE YEARS,

59% LATER CHANGED THEIR MINDS AND CHOSE ANOTHER PREGNANCY

OR DONATION TO INFERTILE COUPLES.

- New England Journal of Medicine, July 5, 2001

## Let's fund promising medical research that everybody can live with.

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