



Financial Researcher Says Bernie Sanders Funneled Taxpayer Money and School Funds to His Family

Peter Schweizer, author of *Profiles in Corruption: Abuse of Power by America's Progressive Elite*, said that Senator Bernie Sanders funneled “taxpayer money” and “school money” to members of his family. Schweizer further disclosed that during the 2016 campaign, \$83 million was channeled through a mysterious media-buying company called Old Town Media. The company was run by two of Bernie Sanders’ wife’s friends out of a suburban house in Virginia.

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During Monday’s broadcast of Sean Hannity’s nationally syndicated radio show, Senior Contributor to Breitbart News Peter Schweizer explained how 2020 Democratic presidential candidate Sen. Bernie Sanders (I-VT) funneled what he deemed to be “taxpayer money” and “school money” to members of his family.

While discussing his new book, *Profiles in Corruption: Abuse of Power by America's Progressive Elite*, Schweizer said, “Bernie over the course of his 30-plus years in public office has funneled huge sums of money to his family. That includes hiring family members even when it was not justified

in the Burlington city governments. But more specifically, the 2016 campaign, there was this mysterious media-buying company called Old Town Media that was set up.”

“They funneled \$83 million through this media-buying company, which was located in a house on a cul-de-sac in suburban Virginia,” he continued. “Had no website, had no presence whatsoever. That company was run by two of Bernie Sanders’ wife’s friends.

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China’s Birthrate Hits Lowest Level Since Country Was Founded in 1949. China’s ‘One Child Policy’ Skewed the Sex Ratio and 30 Million Bachelors Do Not Have Families.

Chinese mothers gave birth to 14.65 million children last year, a birth rate of 10.48 babies per 1,000 people, the

lowest level since the founding of the People's Republic of China in 1949. Experts worry if the population shrinks, there will not be enough workers to support its aging population. China's "one-child policy" limited couples to having only a single child from 1979 to 2016, and, especially in rural areas, sex-selective abortion, forced abortion and female infanticide skewed the sex ratio. There are now 30 million bachelors who are unlikely to marry and have families. A survey conducted in 2017 found that more than 50% of families have no intention of having a second child, with many saying they believed it was too expensive. Another poll from several years ago claims that 33% of women had their pay cut after giving birth and 36% were demoted. Japan and South Korea are also suffering from low birth rates and aging populations.

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China's demographic issues could pose serious issues for the world's second-largest economy when the current working-age population reaches retirement. Experts worry if the trend continues, or the population begins shrinking, China may get old before it gets rich.

Demographers have long pointed to China's "one-child policy" as the culprit of the country's current population problems. For decades, couples in China were limited to only having a single child, unless they were willing to break the law or had the money to work around the system.

Experts say the policy had dire effects on age demographics and sex ratio, as many poor, rural families who prized boys due to traditional cultural values went to extreme measures to ensure their child's sex.

More than 250 million Chinese were over 60 years old last year, the statistics released Friday reveal. They make up more than 18% of the population.

The figure is forecast to rise to a third of the population by 2050 – or 480 million people. A study published by a leading state-sponsored Chinese think tank last year found that the

country will face an “unstoppable” population decline over the coming decades, with fewer and fewer workers struggling to support an increasingly aging society.

The ruling Communist Party has attempted to combat demographic issues by encouraging families to have more babies, but many middle class families are wary to do so because of financial considerations.

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Grooming ‘Epidemic’: Almost 19,000 Children Identified as Rape, Sexual Assault and

Exploitation Victims in England

The Department of Education revealed that more than 18,700 suspected victims of child sexual exploitation were identified by local authorities in England in 2018-19, a major increase from 3,300 reported in 2013. The Home Secretary noted that most abusers in high-profile grooming cases were of Pakistani heritage. They targeted vulnerable girls, particularly those in care (foster homes), on welfare or with learning difficulties. Every seven minutes in the UK an alleged crime is committed against a child, including rape and sexual assault, amounting to a total of 76,204 crimes against children reported in the UK during 2018 -2019.

A charity has called for a “radical rethink” of efforts to prevent sexual grooming after *The Independent* revealed that almost 19,000 victims have been identified in a year.

The NSPCC said victims may be left struggling for the rest of their lives with the trauma of their abuse.

“We are facing a nationwide crisis in the help available for thousands of children who have often suffered the most appalling abuse,” a spokesperson said.

“The insidious tactics used by groomers means these young people often don’t recognise what’s happening to them is abuse.

“We need to see more effort to improve our understanding of the motives and tactics of groomers to prevent abuse from happening in the first place.

“And we need a radical rethink in the way we help these young people targeted by groomers.”

The NSPCC is calling for more “joined-up support” from police forces, local NHS services and children’s services to identify

victims and prevent abuse.

Several grooming cases brought to court have revealed abusers targeting vulnerable girls, particularly those in care or supported accommodation, or with learning difficulties.

Figures published by the Department for Education showed that more than 18,700 suspected victims of child sexual exploitation were identified by local authorities in England in 2018-19.

Campaigners said the true figure was far higher and accused the government of failing to tackle child sexual exploitation, despite promises made after high-profile cases in Rotherham and Rochdale.

Separate analysis by the NSPCC found that recorded sexual offences against children had reached an all-time high in 2018-19.

There were 76,204 alleged crimes, including rape and sexual assault against children in the UK – an average of one every seven minutes.

Sarah Champion, the Labour MP for Rotherham, said the figures show that grooming “remains one of the largest forms of child abuse in the country”.

“The government has singularly failed to tackle this issue head on. Its approach has been piecemeal and underfunded,” she told *The Independent*.

Sammy Woodhouse, a Rotherham victim who helped expose the scandal, said she is still receiving reports of current abuse in parts of the country.

“You hear this bulls**t line, ‘lessons have been learned’, but they haven’t learned anything,” she added.

“I’ve said for years that this country’s in epidemic when it

comes to abuse and exploitation. Authorities claim it's under control but it's not."

Sajid Javid promised a review into the characteristics of grooming gangs in 2018, saying high-profile cases included a "high proportion of men of Pakistani heritage" and that "cultural reasons" could be at play.

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Goldman Sachs to Invest \$750-Billion to Fight Climate Change as Big Finance Cashes in on Global-Warming Agenda

Goldman Sachs committed \$750-billion over the next decade for investing in, financing, and advising companies that are pursuing so-called 'sustainable' goals such as reducing carbon emissions. Goldman will receive a 3-5% commission on the sale

of “green” investment products. Investment giant BlackRock Inc and its \$7-trillion in assets recently joined the Climate Action 100+ initiative, pressuring companies to act on climate issues. Citigroup is a vocal supporter of the Paris Agreement, the landmark environmental accord of 2016. The firm is devoting \$100-billion to climate change solutions in energy, infrastructure, and technology. Globally, this type of investing skyrocketed to \$12-trillion in 2018. [No one in these companies has claimed that any of this will reduce global warming to any appreciable degree. It’s all about making money, increasing taxes, and controlling people in the name of a supposedly good cause. It’s a great business for con artists.] -GEG

If you have gone to Goldman Sachs Group Inc’s (GS.N) internet home page since mid-December, it would be reasonable to wonder if you had stumbled into some kind of parallel universe.

Visitors are met with a background of lush greenery, along with a banner headline: “Our Commitment to Sustainable Finance.”

The company recently announced a \$750 billion, 10-year initiative in nine different areas such as clean energy, affordable education and accessible healthcare, and overhauled lending policies to exclude ventures like new Arctic drilling.

At first glance it might seem like the famously hard-charging Wall Street investment bank was feeling, well, not quite itself.

After all, Goldman Sachs has not always endeared itself to critics of Wall Street. One journalist, Matt Taibbi, famously called it the “Vampire Squid,” with its arms “wrapped around the face of humanity, relentlessly jamming its blood funnel into anything that smells like money.”

So what is going on, if even Goldman Sachs is going green?

The \$750 billion commitment is earmarked for investing in, financing, and advising companies that are pursuing

sustainable goals – for instance, taking steps to reduce carbon emissions. Behind Goldman Sachs' efforts is essentially one guy, John Goldstein – known as the “Forrest Gump” of the field, since he keeps popping up at key moments – who sold his firm, Impact Capital Advisors, to Goldman in 2015.

“Large companies are pushing sustainability up and down their supply chains. Governments are getting more active and engaged. You're seeing it everywhere,” said Goldstein, now head of the firm's Sustainable Finance Group, which was formed last July. “You can see and feel the acceleration going on.”

TIPPING POINT

Goldman Sachs is hardly alone when it comes to big financial institutions buying into sustainability in a serious way. Up until recently, ESG investing – managing money according to environmental, social, and governance factors – has been seen as a niche interest of investors. It is still challenging, for instance, to find ESG options within many U.S. employers' 401(k) plans.

But big financial players are starting to move the needle on sustainability issues. Investment giant BlackRock Inc (BLK.N) and its \$7 trillion in assets just joined the Climate Action 100+ initiative, pressuring companies to act on climate issues. Citigroup Inc (C.N) is another leader in the field, as a longtime and vocal supporter of the Paris Agreement, the landmark environmental accord of 2016. The firm created its Environmental Finance Goal back in 2015, devoting \$100 billion to climate change solutions in areas like clean energy, infrastructure and technology.

“The climate issue is not going away, and it's only going to get worse,” said Lauren Compere, managing director at Boston Common Asset Management, who authored a recent report on how the world's biggest financial firms are handling environmental

issues.

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