TEEN PREGNANCY:

OKLAHOMA

46% DECREASE

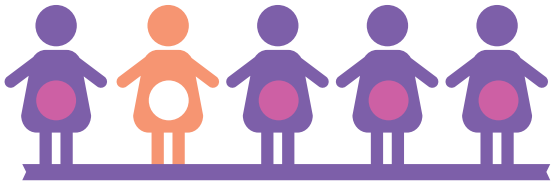
Teen birth rates decreased **46%** among 15-19 year olds from 55.2 births per 1,000 females in 2003 to 29.6 in 2017.[2]

74%

74 percent of all teen births are to 18-19 year olds.[2]

Oklahoma had the **3rd** highest teen birth rate in the nation.

3rd HIGHEST



Nearly **1 in 5 teens** (18%) that gave birth in 2017 had one or more previous live births.[2]

In 2017, **3,786** girls between the ages of 15 and 19 years old gave birth in Oklahoma, accounting for **8%** of all births.[2]

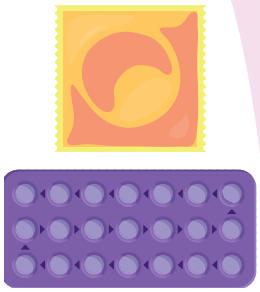
28%

OF STUDENTS WERE SEXUALLY ACTIVE.[4]*

Among those that were sexually active,

85%

used some form of birth control at last sex.[4]



19%

Only **19%** of births to Oklahoma teen moms were intended.[3]

$49 MILLION

Oklahoma taxpayers saved **$49** million in teen childbearing costs in **2015**.[1]

THIS IS A 24% DECREASE FROM 2003, IN STUDENTS REPORTING BEING SEXUALLY ACTIVE.[4]*

*Note: Sexual intercourse with at least one person during the 3 months before the survey.

TEEN PREGNANCY:

Oklahoma Healthy YOUth Project

INDIVIDUAL.

We empower youth through our Public Health Youth Council Initiative to be health advocates within their local communities.

Using the positive youth development model, we assist in the development and facilitation of youth leaders of today and tomorrow.

SCHOOL.

We deliver evidence-based teen pregnancy prevention curricula in school settings.

We collect, analyze and distribute data to improve teen pregnancy prevention efforts.

ORGANIZATION.

We promote healthcare equity to address access and delivery of health care services for teens.

We train and support healthcare professionals in adolescent health matters.

COMMUNITY.

We provide resources to parents and community members to develop resilient and healthy youth.

We partner with local professionals to identify strengths and diminish risks through collaborative efforts.

REDUCE TEEN BIRTHS, ENHANCE OVERALL CHILD WELL-BEING.

By addressing teen pregnancy, we address serious social problems.

How can you help?

1. Provide a safe place where young people are free to discuss their concerns about love, sex and relationships.
2. Use teachable moments to educate young people.
3. Make resources readily available and accessible for parents and community members.
4. Increase community resource sharing and collaborations.
5. Encourage healthy parent-child communication.
6. Build positive assets in youth!
7. Know and share teens' health care rights.
8. Participate in programs and activities that promote positive youth development.
9. Provide youth with opportunities for work and education.

SUPPORT HEALTHY YOUTH!

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