



the campaign to prevent unplanned pregnancy

## Key Information about South Carolina as of December 2019

State Policies to Increase Access to and Information About Contraception <sup>i</sup>	Does State Have Law or Policy?
Expand Medicaid to childless adults as the ACA allows	No
Medicaid Family Planning Waiver or State Plan Amendment (SPA)	Yes
Medicaid reimbursement for postpartum LARC	Yes
State law/policies that allow pharmacists to prescribe contraception	No
State law/policies to extend the supply of prescription contraceptives	No
State law/policies to educate college students about unplanned pregnancy	No
State laws/policies to protect contraceptive coverage	No
Other state laws/policies/initiatives to increase access to contraception	-

Funding Streams for Teen and Unplanned Pregnancy Prevention <sup>ii</sup>	Current Annual Funding Level
Personal Responsibility Education Funding (PREP) <sup>1</sup>	
State PREP (if state opted to receive formula grant)	\$784,156
Competitive PREP grants awarded in the state (if state opted out)	-
Tribal PREP	-
Personal Responsibility Education Innovative Strategies (PREIS)	-
Teen Pregnancy Prevention (TPP) Program <sup>1, 2</sup>	\$4,260,132
Pregnancy Assistance Fund (PAF)	\$970,000
Title V State Sexual Risk Avoidance Education (if state opted to receive)	\$1,118,359
Sexual Risk Avoidance Education Program <sup>3</sup>	\$958,776
Title X Family Planning Program	\$5,500,000

State Stats <sup>iii</sup>
315,960 women in need of publicly funded contraception live in contraceptive deserts. <sup>iv</sup>
64% births are funded by Medicaid, as of 2017

<sup>1</sup> Evidence-based education programs

<sup>2</sup> This may include multi-state grants and/or grants awarded to an organization in another state that benefit youth in SC.

<sup>3</sup> Replaced the Competitive Abstinence Education Program beginning in FY 2016

## **FEDERAL TEEN PREGNANCY PREVENTION GRANTS<sup>4</sup>**

### ***Current Grants***

#### **State Personal Responsibility Education Program (PREP)**

**FY 2019**

South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control  
\$784,186

The South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control is working in collaboration with the South Carolina Campaign to Prevent Teen Pregnancy to implement the PREP grant. Funds are supporting evidence-based programs serving high-risk youth across the state including those in foster care and the juvenile justice system, in both school and community-based settings.

#### **Title V State Sexual Risk Avoidance Education**

**FY 2019**

South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control  
\$1,118,359

The South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control is implementing the State Abstinence Education Grant in collaboration with two local entities in nine counties. The state program targets young people ages 10–19 in both community-based and school-based settings.

#### **Sexual Risk Avoidance Education Program**

**FY 2019**

Heritage Community Services – Charleston, SC  
\$958,776 (to be spent through FY 2021)

#### **Teen Pregnancy Prevention (TPP) Program — Tier 1 (Phase 1)**

**FY 2019 – FY 2020**

Urban League of the Upstate  
Program Model: *Love Notes*  
\$489,000

Urban League of The Upstate (ULUS) will implement the Love Notes Sexual Risk Avoidance (SRA) curriculum within high schools and charter schools to (1) increase youth's capacity to form and sustain healthy relationships and decrease unhealthy relationships; (2) increase knowledge of sexual issues (including social and emotional) and personal sexual values clarification; (3) increase self-efficacy and relationship skills to abstain or support return to abstinence; (4) increase self-regulation and motivation to avoid pregnancy and support healthy behaviors; (5) increase interpersonal communication knowledge and skills; and (6) increase positive connections and communication between parents or trusted adults and youth about relationships and sex.

#### **Teen Pregnancy Prevention (TPP) Program — Tier 1**

**FY 2015 – FY 2019**

South Carolina Campaign to Prevent Teen Pregnancy - Columbia, SC  
Program models: *Be Proud! Be Responsible*; *Draw the Line/Respect the Line*; *Making a Difference*; *Making Proud Choices*; *Reducing the Risk*; *Seventeen Days*  
\$1,498,990

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<sup>4</sup> Federal teen pregnancy prevention grants are listed as annual amounts, unless otherwise noted.

The South Carolina Campaign to Prevent Teen Pregnancy (SC Campaign) works with local organizations in three counties (Aiken, Anderson, and Orangeburg) in the state with the highest teen birth rates to implement evidence-based teen pregnancy prevention programs. Over the course of this project, subcontracts will be provided to a number of partners in each community resulting in a minimum of 24,000 youth having the opportunity to participate in multiple evidence-based teen pregnancy prevention programs providing sequential and reinforcing information. The SC Campaign will contract with the Center for Health Services and Policy Research at the University of South Carolina to conduct evaluation activities using an online data collection and reporting system.

South Carolina Campaign to Prevent Teen Pregnancy - Columbia, SC

\$716,000

In partnership with the South Carolina Department of Juvenile Justice, the South Carolina Department of Social Services, and other organizations serving youth from these systems, the South Carolina Campaign intends to increase the capacity of organizations serving at-risk youth to plan, select, implement, evaluate, and sustain evidence-based teen pregnancy, HIV, and STD prevention programming and services. The South Carolina Campaign is the lead agency on this project and will work in 16 local level youth serving organizations to replicate evidence-based teen pregnancy/HIV/STD prevention programs. At least four youth-serving organizations will be selected to partner on the project every January for the next four years (2016-19).

The Children's Council - Lancaster, SC

Program models: *Making a Difference; Making Proud Choices; Seventeen Days*

\$486,679

The Children's Council will partner with the Lancaster School District and University of South Carolina- Lancaster to implement evidence based teen pregnancy prevention programs in middle schools, high schools and with college youth. The Children's Council intends to increase the number of youth who delay sexual activity which will in turn reduce the number of teens who become pregnant in Lancaster County. The project is designed as a universal intervention, targeting every 7th and 9th grade student in the county and incoming freshmen females at the local university.

The Mary Black Foundation - Spartanburg, SC

Program models: *Project AIM; Seventeen Days; Making a Difference; Making Proud Choices; Be Proud! Be Responsible!; SiHLe; Sexual Health and Adolescent Risk Prevention (SHARP)*

\$1,069,463

The Mary Black Foundation (MBF) intends to reduce the teen birth rate in Spartanburg by 20% by engaging the community in preventing disparities among teens and young adults. To achieve this goal MBF intends to increase access to seamless services, supports, and opportunities that will result in holistically healthier individuals. MBF works with community partners to replicate evidence-based interventions in schools, clinics, and community settings that focus on vulnerable youth and collaborate to provide mutually reinforcing strategies. These streamlined strategies provide education, positive youth development, and access to reproductive health services throughout adolescence. By raising awareness of adolescent issues, bridging the gap for our most vulnerable youth, and breaking the barriers around stigmatized issues, the community will collectively identify needs and improve outcomes for our most valuable resource: young people.

*Prior Grants*

**Teen Pregnancy Prevention (TPP) Program — Tier 1**

**FY 2010 – FY 2014**

South Carolina Campaign to Prevent Teen Pregnancy - Columbia, SC

\$1,469,480

**CDC Grant**

**FY 2010 – FY 2014**

The South Carolina Campaign to Prevent Teen Pregnancy - Columbia, SC

\$1,486,232

**Competitive Abstinence Education Grant Program**

**FY 2013**

The Children's Council - Lancaster, SC

\$200,000 (to be spent through FY 2014)

**PREGNANCY ASSISTANCE FUND**

**FY 2018 – FY 2020**

Children's Trust Fund of South Carolina - Columbia, SC

Settings: High Schools, Community Service Centers

\$970,000

**FY 2017**

Children's Trust Fund of South Carolina - Columbia, SC

Program Categories: Institutions of Higher Education, High Schools and Community Service Centers, and Public Awareness and Education

\$1,360,940

**FY 2013 – FY 2016**

Children's Trust Fund of South Carolina - Columbia, SC

Program Categories: Institutions of Higher Education, High Schools and Community Service Centers, and Public Awareness and Education

\$1,500,000

## TITLE X FAMILY PLANNING SERVICES IN SOUTH CAROLINA<sup>iv</sup>

- Title X–supported centers provided contraceptive care to 60,211 women in South Carolina in 2018.<sup>5</sup>
- Services at Title X-supported centers helped women avoid 20,200 unintended pregnancies, which would have resulted in 9,800 births and 7,300 abortions.
- By preventing sexually transmitted diseases, cervical cancer, and unplanned pregnancies, Title X-supported centers in South Carolina saved \$169.4 million in public funds in a single year.
- From FY 2010 to FY 2017, the amount of federal funding South Carolina received for Title X decreased by \$1,300,331, resulting in 21,914 fewer (23%) patients served.
- In 2017, prior to the new Title X rule, 55 clinics in South Carolina received support from Title X. The South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control operated all 55 clinics.

### *For Further Information*

<sup>i</sup> For an overview of these state policies, see <https://powertodecide.org/what-we-do/information/resource-library/key-state-policies-glance>

<sup>ii</sup> For an overview of federal funding for teen pregnancy prevention, see <https://powertodecide.org/what-we-do/information/resource-library/federal-funding-streams-at-a-glance>

<sup>iii</sup> See more state statistics at <https://powertodecide.org/what-we-do/information/national-state-data/south-carolina>

<sup>iv</sup> See our contraceptive deserts map <https://powertodecide.org/what-we-do/access/birth-control-access> and the impact of forcing out safety-net providers from the Title X clinic network in your state <https://powertodecide.org/what-we-do/information/resource-library/health-centers-offering-full-range-methods-excluding-title>

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<sup>5</sup> “Title X-supported centers” are supported by a mix of funding sources (in addition to Title X funding) including Medicaid, funding from state and local governments, private grants and fundraising, reimbursement from commercial insurance, patient fees, and federal grants.

***About Power to Decide:*** *Power to Decide, the campaign to prevent unplanned pregnancy, works to ensure that every young person has the power to decide if, when, and under what circumstances to get pregnant and have a child—increasing their opportunity to pursue the future they want. Join us at [PowerToDecide.org](https://PowerToDecide.org).*