



the campaign to prevent unplanned pregnancy

**Key Information about Tennessee**  
as of December 2019

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

<b>Funding Streams for Teen and Unplanned Pregnancy Prevention<sup>ii</sup></b>	<b>Current Annual Funding Level</b>
Personal Responsibility Education Funding (PREP) <sup>1</sup>	
State PREP (if state opted to receive formula grant)	\$1,048,555
Competitive PREP grants awarded in the state (if state opted not to receive PREP formula grant)	-
Tribal PREP	-
Personal Responsibility Education Innovative Strategies (PREIS)	-
Teen Pregnancy Prevention (TPP) Program <sup>1, 2</sup>	\$4,229,999
Pregnancy Assistance Fund	-
Title V State Sexual Risk Avoidance Education (if state opted to receive)	\$1,418,114
Sexual Risk Avoidance Education Program <sup>3</sup>	-
Title X Family Planning Program	\$6,600,000

<b>State Stats<sup>iii</sup></b>
408,900 women in need of publicly funded contraception live in contraceptive deserts
Of these women, 6,930 live in counties without a single health center that provides the full range of birth control methods <sup>iv</sup>
50% 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 TN

<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**

Tennessee Department of Children's Services

\$1,048,555

The Tennessee PREP state grant program is managed by the Department of Children's Services in collaboration with the University of Tennessee Health Science Center. Evidence-based programs serve youth ages 15–18 in state custody who are living in foster care group homes.

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

##### **FY 2019**

Tennessee Department of Health

\$1,418,114

Tennessee is using their State Abstinence Education Program grant to serve middle school youth ages 10–14. Programming also targets youth who live in counties that have high teen pregnancy and birth rates, high rates of mothers in poverty, and high dropout rates.

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

##### **FY 2015 – FY 2019**

Centerstone of Tennessee, Inc. - Nashville, TN

Program models: *Be Proud! Be Responsible!; Making a Difference!; Sexual Health and Adolescent Risk Prevention (SHARP)*

\$2,000,000

Centerstone of Tennessee's Be in Charge 2 program implements evidence-based teen pregnancy prevention (TPP) programs for 60,000 youth age 10-19 throughout 80 counties, including 60 counties in Tennessee and 14 counties in Kentucky with the highest teen birth rates. In Indiana, 11 counties with the highest teen birth rates will receive outreach and resources to train professionals working with high-risk youth. Outreach services will be provided to communities in the same geographic area and are designed to educate youth and adults as well as increase awareness through the use of social media, educational presentations, local community capacity building, resource development and distribution, event sponsorship, and stakeholder training to sustain effective TPP efforts beyond the end of the grant.

Douglas-Cherokee Economic Authority, Inc. - Morristown, TN

Program model: *Teen Outreach Program*

\$999,999

The Douglas-Cherokee Economic Authority (DCEA) intends to reduce teen pregnancy rates among youth in Hamblen and Hancock Counties by replicating the evidence-based teen pregnancy prevention programs. DCEA will implement programs in three middle schools, two high schools, and two alternative schools in East and Northeast Tennessee. DCEA's secondary goal is to assist program

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<sup>4</sup> Federal teen pregnancy prevention grants are listed as annual amounts, unless otherwise noted. State PREP, Tribal PREP, and Title V State Sexual Risk Avoidance Education grant amounts, where applicable, reflect the most recent annual award.

participants in developing the skills required to make successful transitions to adulthood without the burden of teen pregnancy and early childbearing.

Le Bonheur Community Health and Well-Being - Memphis, TN

Program model: *Be Proud! Be Responsible!*

\$1,230,000

Le Bonheur Community Health and Well-Being works to reduce sexual risk behaviors and improve health outcomes for youth age 11-19. To achieve this goal, they will implement evidence-based teen pregnancy prevention programs in middle schools, high schools, alternative schools, and community-based sites in Memphis and Shelby Counties. In addition, Le Bonheur will initiate a community-wide teen pregnancy prevention planning process in partnership with Memphis Teen Vision, an existing coalition of youth serving agencies and providers, to enhance the program and develop a referral process to increase youth access to health care services.

***Prior Grants***

**Competitive Abstinence Education Grant Program  
FY 2014**

Boys & Girls Clubs in Tennessee - Knoxville, TN

\$243,159 (to be spent through FY 2015)

**Teen Pregnancy Prevention (TPP) Program — Tier 1  
FY 2010 – FY 2014**

Centerstone of Tennessee, Inc. - Nashville, TN	\$1,000,000
Knox County Health Department - Knoxville, TN	\$602,846
Douglas Cherokee Economic Authority - Morristown, TN	\$600,000
Le Bonheur Community Health and Well Being - Memphis, TN	\$800,000

**PREGNANCY ASSISTANCE FUND  
Funded 2010 – 2013**

Executive Office of the State of Tennessee - Nashville, TN

Service location: Shelby County, TN

Strategies: High schools/Community Service Centers; Public Awareness and Education

\$1,400,000

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

- Title X–supported centers provided contraceptive care to 67,326 women in Tennessee in 2018.<sup>5</sup>
- Services at Title X-supported centers helped women avoid 22,500 unintended pregnancies, which would have resulted in 10,900 births and 8,100 abortions.
- By preventing sexually transmitted diseases, cervical cancer, and unplanned pregnancies, Title X-supported centers in Tennessee saved \$115 million in public funds in a single year.
- From FY 2010 to FY 2017, the amount of federal funding Tennessee received for Title X increased by \$61,972. The number of patients served declined by 43,269 (37%) patients during this time.
- In 2017, prior to the new Title X rule, 119 clinics in Tennessee received support from Title X. All 119 clinics were operated by the Tennessee Department of Health.

### *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/tennessee>

<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).*