



**Our goal
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2017 REPORT TO THE COMMUNITY

OVERVIEW OF COLLABORATION

WHY DOES IT MATTER?

Pregnancy and parenting among teens results in greater risks of poverty, health issues, unstable housing and employment, and food insecurity. We know that teen pregnancy prevention is a foundational strategy in the alleviation of poverty.

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Oklahoma's teen birth rate is the second highest in the nation.

Thrive is leading a public-private collaboration to reduce the teen birth rate in central Oklahoma. Our collaboration, utilizing a collective impact model, was formed in 2012 and created a bold vision: **to reduce the teen birth rate in Oklahoma County by one third by 2020**. In 2015, the collaboration published a comprehensive plan to achieve this goal.

The plan outlines three key strategies to reduce teen pregnancy, garnered from research and visits to communities with proven programs that significantly reduced their teen birth rates. These three pillars are outlined at right. Dozens of community organizations and individuals are working together to help achieve the goals of the plan through working groups, which support the three pillars.

The collaboration has already achieved exciting results: ***The teen birth rate in Oklahoma County has declined 29% since 2013!***

OUR KEY PARTNERS:

- Kirkpatrick Family Fund
- Oklahoma City-County Health Department
- Oklahoma Health Care Authority
- OKC Public Schools
- Teen emPower!
- Variety Care

THRIVE'S 3 PILLARS:

1) EDUCATION:

To provide age-appropriate, evidence-based sexual health education in schools.

2) MEDICAL:

To ensure access to teen-friendly reproductive health services.

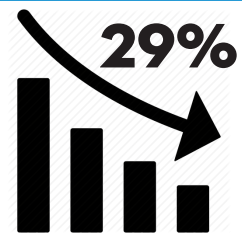
3) COMMUNITY:

To engage youth, parents, faith communities, and youth-serving organizations in teen pregnancy prevention efforts.



ACCOMPLISHMENTS TO DATE

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EDUCATION

- 15 professional health educators delivering sexual health curricula in schools
- 44 schools in OKCPS and other districts participating in 2017-18
- Expanded education to 6th grade
- Researched and trained on 4 new curricula
- High level of school satisfaction and parent opt-ins for sexual health education classes
- Working with the National Campaign to Prevent Teen and Unplanned Pregnancy on post-secondary strategies
- Support for pregnant and parenting teens through OKCPS Teen Parent Program
- New OKCPS maternity leave policy written and implemented
- Class credit now given for sexual health classes at Emerson North and Emerson South

MEDICAL

- Four clinic sites selected for Teen Friendly Clinic project
- Year 2 clinic self-assessment completed; new assessment process identified
- Teen patient satisfaction survey designed and implemented
- Referrals made by OKCPS Teen Parent Coordinator and referral guide developed
- Clarification on minor patient rights interpretation from partners
- Training conducted for health educators regarding minor patient rights
- Oklahoma Health Care Authority LARC (Long Acting, Reversible Contraception) training developed and implemented
- OHCA policy change to remove all restrictions on LARC for Medicaid participants

COMMUNITY

- Askable Adults training developed and implemented
- Parent Tool Kit materials compiled
- National Day to Prevent Teen Pregnancy events planned and implemented
- Youth Leadership Council (YLC) established and ongoing; leadership structure created; participation in planning of events and in working groups
- YLC collaborations with Peer Mentors in Teen emPower! LIMITS program
- Peer Mentor / YLC training camp
- YLC Domestic Violence event coordination

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Get involved and help ensure we reach our goal!

VOLUNTEER: Join one of our Working Groups to help implement real solutions.

ADVOCATE: Help us spread our message in the community. Join our e-newsletter list!

GIVE: Donate online to ensure we can fund our strategies at www.thriveokc.org.



“We are fully dedicated to this community and are excited to continue our collaboration with our many partners, working to lower the teen birth rate in central Oklahoma,” Laura Lang, CEO - Thrive

CONTACT US TO GET INVOLVED TODAY!

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