

## WE ASK FOR YOUR SUPPORT...

- by informing the community of this project.
- by encouraging pregnant & parenting youth to contact us.
- by providing us with any financial assistance possible to help us fully implement this project.
- by donating any used baby equipment, products, etc. to us for distribution to the community's pregnant and parenting youth.
- by volunteering your time or services for this cause.

Please visit us at:

<http://www.orgsites.com/ms/mspampers>  
for more information.



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Promote  
Abstinence,  
Mentor &  
Provide  
Education,  
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Support



## WE ARE...

a community-based, non-profit organization, formed with the sole purpose of addressing the issue of teen pregnancy within our community.

We will be combating the problem in 3 ways: PREVENTION by meeting with students & discussing pregnancy prevention & abstinence, EDUCATION by teaching pregnant & parenting youth about healthy pregnancies & babies, & assisting them with their academics through this challenging time, & SUPPORT by talking to pregnant & parenting youth about their situation & helping them cope with the challenges before them. Let's talk stats...

## Nationally...

- Over 1 million teens become pregnant annually.
- Taxpayers spend more than \$38 billion annually on teen childbearing costs. That's almost \$3,000 per teen mother!
- 8 out of 10 girls who become pregnant at age 17 or younger never complete high school.

## Mississippi...

- had over 9,000 pregnant teens in 2001.
- had 560 girls (*15 yrs. old & younger*) give birth in 2001.
- has one of the highest percentages of teen births in the nation.
- has the worst rate of infant mortality in the country!

## Hinds County...

- had almost 1,000 girls ages 10-19 become pregnant in 2001.
- had over 230 *recorded* teen abortions, 11 recorded teen fetal deaths, and almost 675 teen births.
- had almost 300 out-of-wedlock teen births & 45 low-birth weight teen babies (less than 5.5 pounds).

## Rankin County...

- had almost 300 girls ages 10-19 become pregnant in 2001.
- had over 69 *recorded* teen abortions, 2 recorded teen fetal deaths, and about 200 teen births.
- had almost 150 out-of-wedlock teen births & 15 low-birth weight teen babies (less than 5.5 pounds).

## Madison County...

- had almost 200 girls ages 10-19 become pregnant in 2001.
- had about 50 *recorded* teen abortions, 1 recorded teen fetal death, and about 125 teen births.
- had almost 125 out-of-wedlock teen births & 10 low-birth weight teen babies (less than 5.5 pounds).



## PROMOTE ABSTINENCE

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- Ages 10-17: with consenting parents.
- *Topics:* Abstinence Education, Healthy Relationships, STDs, Pregnancy, Goals
- *Tools:* Parent Education Session, Pregnancy & Infant Simulators, Brochures, Videos, Guest Speakers
- *Core Support Staff:* Sex & STD Educators, Career Counselor, Therapist
- *Supplemental Support:* Teachers, Parents, College Mentors, Role Models

## MENTOR & PROVIDE EDUCATION

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- Ages 10-17: All pregnant & parenting youth with consenting parents.
- *Topics:* Nutritional, Prenatal, Delivery, Infant Care, Toddler Care, Legal Issues, Continuing Education, Community Programs
- *Tools:* Pregnancy & Infant Simulators, Brochures, Videos, Guest Speakers
- *Core Support Staff:* Nutritional Nurse, OB Nurse, Pediatric Nurse, Attorney, Community Reps.
- *Supplemental Support:* Parents, Teachers, Tutors, College Mentors

## RENDER SUPPORT

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- Ages 10-17: All pregnant & parenting youth with consenting parents.
- *Topics:* Emotional & Physical Changes, Responsibilities, Academics, Finances
- *Tools:* Role-Playing Activities, Brochures, Videos, etc.
- *Core Support Staff:* Therapists, Peer Counselors, etc.
- *Supplemental Support:* Parents, Teachers, Peers, etc.