

Teenage Pregnancy

Community Impact

Births to teen mothers are down 49.5% since 2004.

Source of Data

Missouri Kid Count

Agency Programs Impacting This Target Population

Nurses for Newborns

Our Lady's Inn

ThriVe St. Louis

Youth In Need

Background

Funding from the Children's Services Fund has focused on two types of programming: working with teenage mothers-to-be so that they have healthy births and support so as not to have a second teenage pregnancy, and prevention. Organizations such as Youth In Need, Our Lady's Inn and Nurses for Newborns have taken on the first focus, with tremendous success (over 95% of the girls didn't have a second pregnancy. In 2012, the CCRB added a prevention component, focusing on sexual abstinence until marriage with all students in middle school and high school.