TEEN PREGNANCY and childbearing among adolescents is a complex problem that is closely linked to many critical issues including educational failure, risky behavior, poor health, poverty, and single parenthood. Those at risk include not only the babies and the mothers, but also the fathers, the families, and the whole community. Teen pregnancy is not just about girls, it includes guys too.

**KEY MESSAGES**

- Teen Pregnancy is the number one reason girls drop out of high school.¹
- One of Five teen dads stay with the teen mothers.² Teen dads have the least amount of fatherhood involvement of any other group in the U.S.³
- Children of teen parents are more likely to be born prematurely, die before their first birthday, be abused or neglected, live in poverty, be teen parents, be incarcerated or do poorly in school.⁴

**2012 COUNTY, STATE & NATIONAL BIRTH RATES**

Rates per 1,000 females ages 15-19

- **Texas**: 70.2
- **Bexar County**: 68.8
- **U.S.**: 29.4

$59.6 MILLION* WAS THE ESTIMATED COST OF TEEN CHILDBEARING IN BEXAR COUNTY IN 2012.

*This includes the costs of childwelfare, healthcare, lost revenue & incarceration.
IN 2012, THERE WERE **2,755** BIRTHS TO FEMALES AGES 10 TO 19

BY THE YEAR 2017, **125** KINDERGARTEN CLASSES WILL BE FILLED WITH THE CHILDREN OF TEEN PARENTS.

IN 2012, **610** TEEN MOTHERS WHO GAVE BIRTH ALREADY HAD AT LEAST ONE PREVIOUS CHILD

2012 TEEN MOTHERS (AGES 10-19) WITH MORE THAN ONE CHILD

- **78%** ONE CHILD
- **22%** MORE THAN ONE CHILD

% BASED ON TOTAL OF 2,755 BIRTHS

RESOURCES FOR TEEN PREGNANCY PREVENTION

- **METRO HEALTH: PROJECT WORTH**
  www.sanantonio.gov/projectworth
- **OUR TOWN 4 TEENS**
  www.ourtown4teens.org
- **ME NOW…BABY LATER**
  www.menowbabylater.com
- **THE TEXAS CAMPAIGN TO PREVENT TEEN PREGNANCY**
  www.txcampaign.org
- **OFFICE OF ADOLESCENT HEALTH**
  www.hhs.gov/ash/oah
- **SA2020**
  www.sa2020.org

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