

# Healthy Start Coalition of Hardee, Highlands, & Polk Counties, Inc.

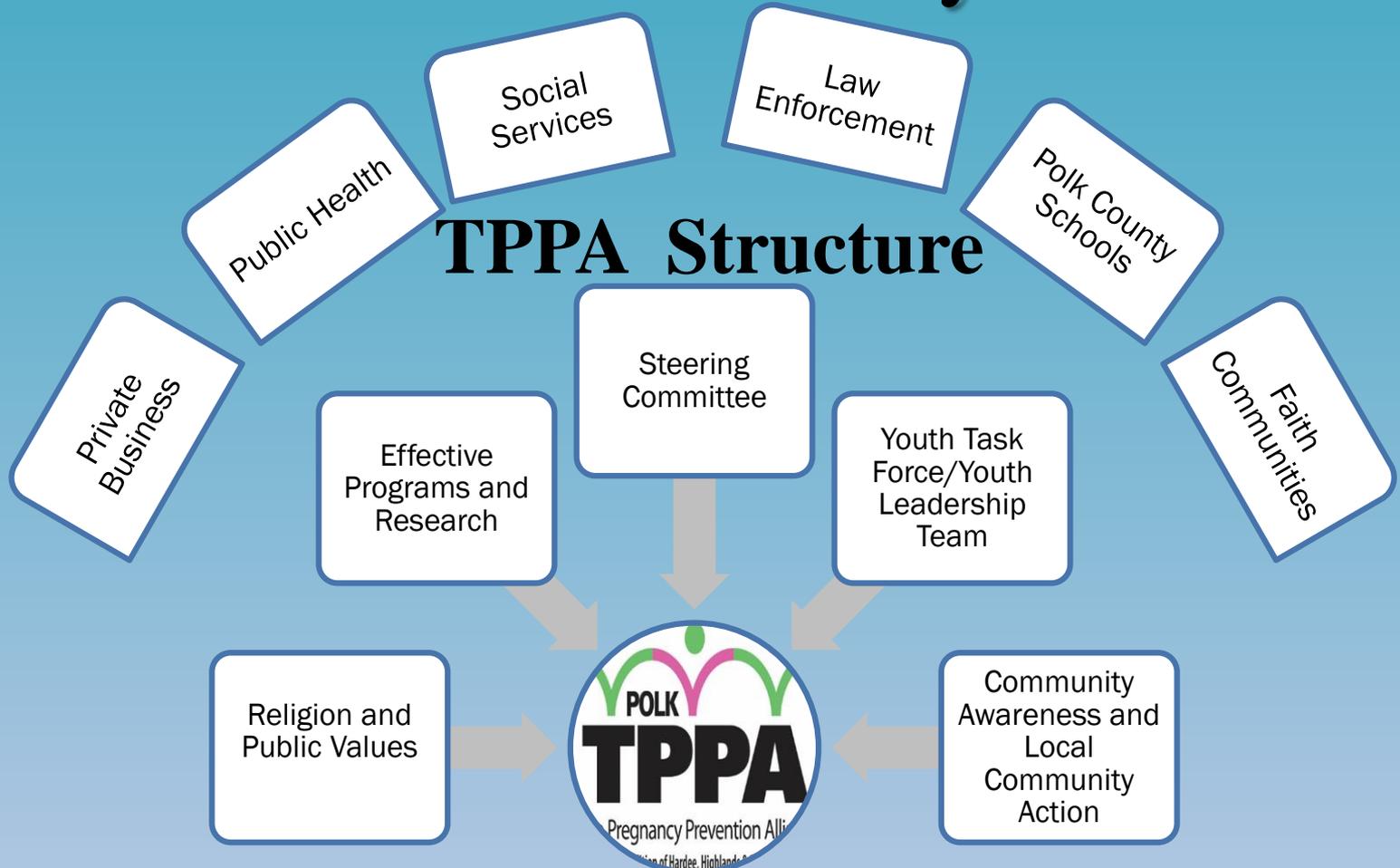
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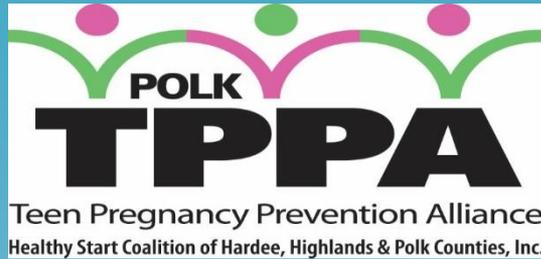
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# Who is Polk County TPPA





## **Mission Statement**

**To identify and reduce the risk of teen pregnancy in Polk County through the collaboration of agencies and empowerment of our youth and community.**

## **Vision Statement**

**Polk County is committed to creating an environment that supports parents and empowers youth to maximize their potential without the limitations imposed by pregnancy, childbearing, and parenting.**



In 2014, in Florida, there were 12,811 teen births between the ages 15-19.

Florida ranks 23 out of 50 states in teen births to girls ages 15-19.

During the period 1991-2014 Florida has decreased this rate by 67%.

Data source:





# Teen Birth Stats

Ages	Year	Polk
10-14	2013	0.2 (4)
	2014	0.2 (4)
Under 18	2013	6.8 (212)
	2014	5.2 (163)
Rankings births to teen moms under 18 years of age	2013	15 <sup>th</sup> out of 67 counties
	2014	24 <sup>th</sup> out of 67 counties
Repeat Births	2013	18.8 (135)
	2014	18.2 (118)
State Rate Under 18	2013	4.2(3,862)
	2014	3.7(3,348)

# How does this affect Polk County teens?

## Teen Moms



JUST 38%  
OF TEEN GIRLS WHO HAVE A  
CHILD BEFORE AGE 18 GET A  
HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA

DAUGHTERS OF TEEN MOTHERS ARE  
**3X MORE LIKELY**  
TO BECOME TEEN MOTHERS THEMSELVES  
COMPARED TO MOTHERS WHO  
HAD A CHILD AT AGE 20-21



## Teen Dads

Teen fathers **earn \$5,000** less annually

Teen fathers pay less than **\$800** in child support per year

Complete fewer years in school and sons of teen mothers are more likely to end up in prison



Data Source:



# How does it affect our babies born to teen moms?



REDUCING TEEN PREGNANCY  
ENHANCES OVERALL CHILD WELL-BEING.  
**TEEN MOTHERS ARE  
NEARLY TWICE AS LIKELY TO  
FORGO PRENATAL CARE IN  
THE FIRST TRIMESTER**  
COMPARED TO OLDER MOTHERS



Teen pregnancies cost

U.S. taxpayers

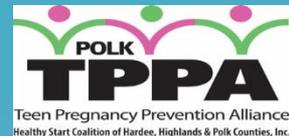
9.4 BILLION

DOLLARS a year



How did the \$96,250, received from the Indigent Health Care 1/2 cent sales tax, support the work of Polk County





## 2014-2015

- ⌘ 918 Teens and Adults served
- ⌘ 72 Education Classes
- ⌘ 30 Events
- ⌘ 42 YLT Meetings

## 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter 2015-2016

- ⌘ 256 Teens and Adults served
- ⌘ 16 Education Classes
- ⌘ 6 Events
- ⌘ 6 YLT Meetings

### Polk County Funding: \$96,250

- Salary & Fringe (2 positions; 1.1 FTE's): \$47,759
- Other Operating Expenses: \$48,491

ROI in 2014-2015: \$1.22 per \$1

**Return on Investment** is not always numerically quantifiable. The value of the education and services TPPA provides to the teens and their families each year is recognized through the decrease in Polk teen births each year



Throughout Polk County Community, Youth in Foster Care, Evidenced Based Education



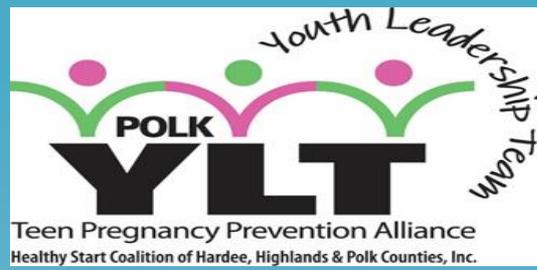
National Let's Talk Month Campaign  
Individual groups in the community  
Parent and teen communication skills



Resources to Faith Community  
Presentations to churches and congregations  
Curriculums to Faith Leaders for youth groups



National Teen Pregnancy Prevention Month Campaign  
Educate Teens on issues that affect teens today  
May 14, 2016 at Southeastern University



# Youth in Polk County, ages 10-19, serving the community and advocating for Teen Pregnancy Prevention to their peers



# Additional TPPA funding

2014-2015

- **Heartland Rural Health Network**

**\$12,135.00 ( Federal)**

- **Health Education classes**

**Heartland for Children**

**\$66,620.00 (State )**

- **Funding for TPPA services in Hardee, Highlands and Polk**



# Additional TPPA funding

**2015-2016**

**Heartland for Children**

**\$117,576.00 (Federal and Private)**

- **Funding for TPPA and educational services in Hardee, Highlands, and Polk**

**\$10,000.00 (State)**

- **Funding for TPPA Program Manager Salary**



# TPPA Funding Partners Declining

2013-2014



Community Based Care: Hardee, Highlands & Polk Counties



2014-2015



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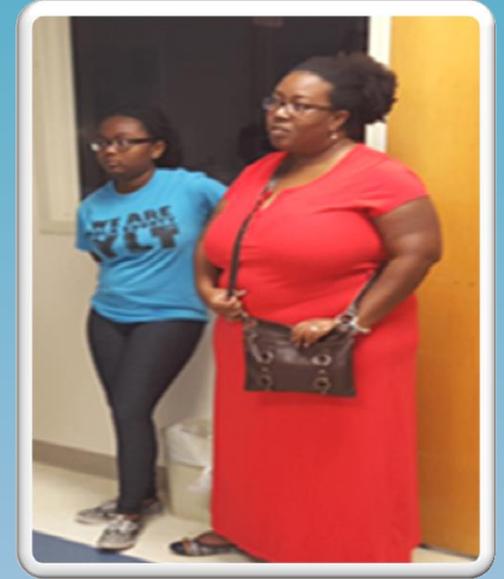
2015-2016



Community Based Care: Hardee, Highlands & Polk Counties



# Personal Testimonies



# TPPA Partners





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