

*Bridging the Gaps: Eliminating Disparities in Teen  
Pregnancy Prevention and Sexual Health*

# **Build It & They Will Come: Creating a Forum for Males to Discuss Teen Pregnancy Prevention**

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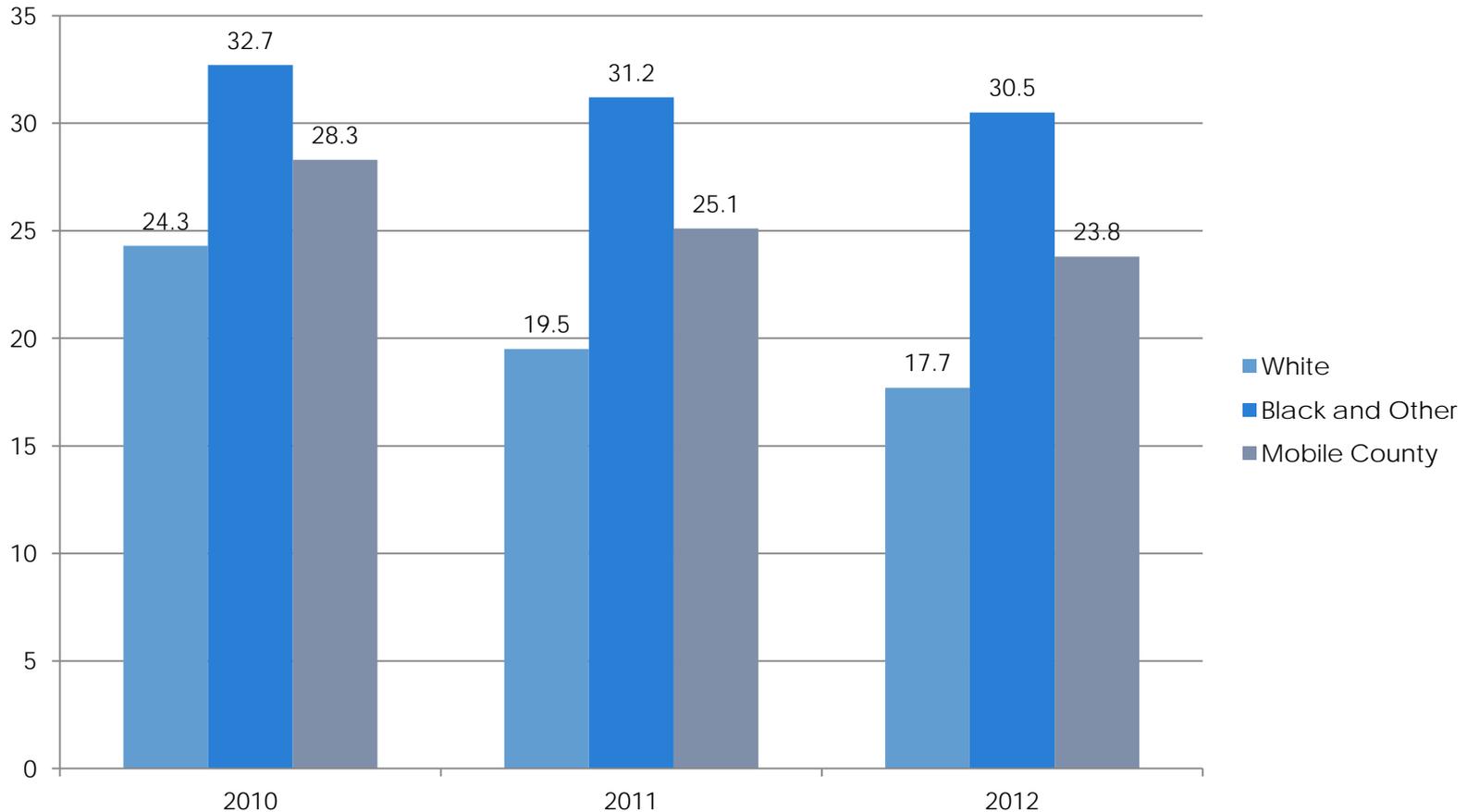
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# Learning Objectives

By the end of the workshop, participants will be able to:

- Identify community partnerships to enhance male involvement with teen pregnancy prevention
- Describe successful strategies to increase male involvement with teen pregnancy prevention

## Birth Rates per 1,000 Females Aged 10-19 Years, Mobile County, 2010-2012



2010-Alabama Department of Public Health (personal communication)

2011-<http://adph.org/healthstats/assets/avs11tab19.pdf>

2012-[http://adph.org/healthstats/assets/avs12\\_19.pdf](http://adph.org/healthstats/assets/avs12_19.pdf)

# Mobile County Think Teen Program

Mobile County Health Department (MCHD)

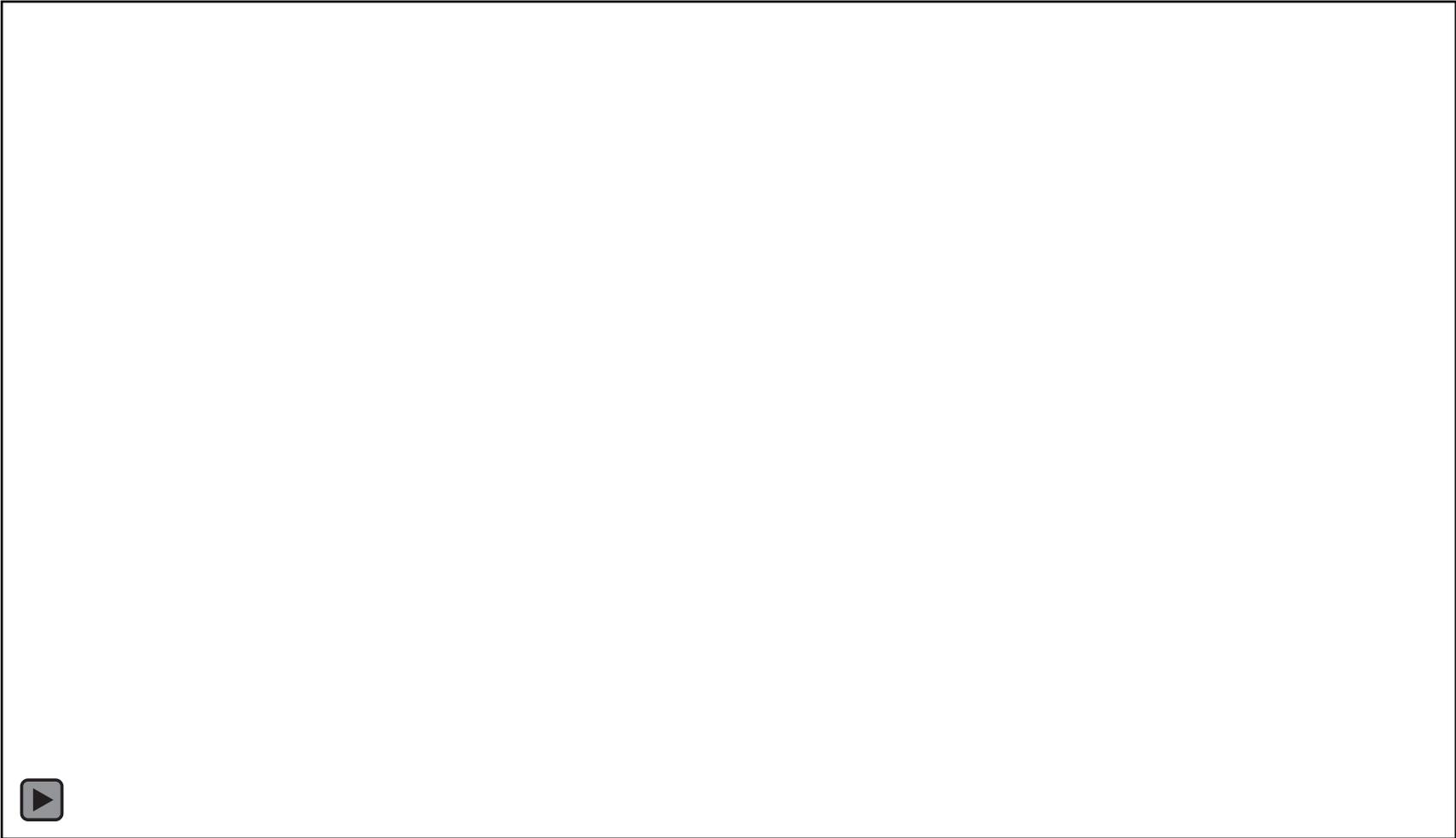
- Target area includes 13 ZIP codes
- Majority African American youth (mainly urban), 11-19 years of age
- In- and out-of-school youth
- On-site Teen Center and online portal
- 10 community-based organizations
  - (local agencies, positive youth development and faith-based organizations, juvenile justice, colleges)
- 6 clinic partners
  - (health department sites, private providers)

# Adolescent Male Attitudes about Teen Pregnancy

- Viewed as negative event
- Adverse effect on future aspirations and life goals
- Some expressed positive feelings:
  - “Manliness” through having a child
  - Opportunity to “turn one’s life around”

# Mobile County Adolescent Male Views About Teen Pregnancy

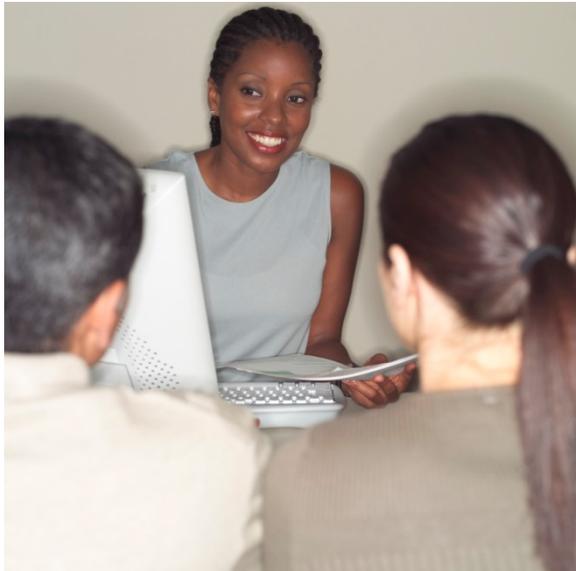




# Challenges with Engaging Male Adolescents

# Group Activity

- *Discuss challenges in your communities*
- *Draft strategies to increase male involvement*



# Strategies to Increase Adolescent Male Involvement

- Identify organizations with mutual goals
  - Fraternities
  - Civic Organization
- Community conversations
- Going to where they are

# Partnership with Mobile Kappa League

## Five Core Components

- Academic Enhancement
- Personal & Professional Development
- Cultural Enrichment
- Service Learning
- Social Relations

\*Kappa Alpha Phi Fraternity, Inc.

# Activities Implemented

- Barbershop Condom Drop
- Skate Night
- Making Proud Choices

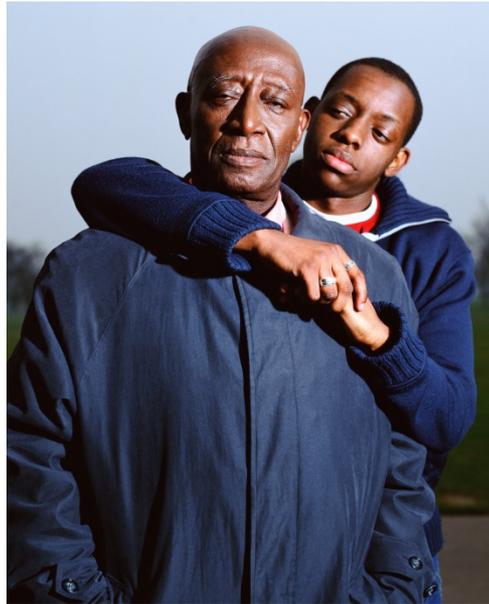


# Activities Implemented (cont'd)



- Intergenerational Conversation
- Building a Village Forum
- Teen Town Hall

# Intergenerational Conversation Excerpts



# Next Steps

- Partnership with the Kappa Foundation
  - TOE – Project AIM
  - TOE – How to be a mentor and male engagement activities

**Thank You!**  
**Questions?**

# Resources

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