

Teenage Pregnancy Challenges & Reality

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Intro

Our YPAR community project is teen pregnancy. This is a very impactful and important topic because as young women in our community it is our responsibility to help young girls who are pregnant find the resources they need. We collected data from different states with teenage pregnancy. We've also made surveys to be filled out by young pregnant teens. Our last source was to contact teen pregnancy agencies in our communities. With our project being teen pregnancy we were not able to observe much for our YPAR project.



Fact 1/2

“Only 40 percent of teen mothers finish high school. Fewer than 2 percent finish college by age 30”. This is essential to our research question because it gives us an average percentage that teen mothers reach before dropping out of school, high school particularly. This is useful for our next step because the information gives us a clue of how many dropouts happen averagely.

Observation

The observations we made came from other means of research (e.g. research, surveys, and interviews.) There was no general location. Teen pregnancy can be so up-close and personal we can not make direct observations, because of this there was no specific location. We have spent 6 months doing research for our observations to ensure that we have enough evidence and outside input.



Survey

For the surveys we created a total of 19 questions. The surveys focused on the parents background, if they are supported, and if they knew or are involved in any resources. Out of all of the people we have sent our survey to, only 9 returned survey answers. The purpose was to see the age range of teens get pregnant in our community, did they know how to keep this from happening, do they have support and if not how can they be,, and if they're continuing school.

Recommendations

Teen pregnancy is an issue that can either dissipate or get even worse. It is the community's job to make sure it doesn't worsen. The biggest issue, however, lies within the governments means of funding and distribution. As high school students, we can spread as much awareness as possible. People will never stop talking so the best way to prevent a problem is to keep talking and sharing. Everyone who speaks about this issue is a part of this proposal. We will be ready to speak on our project at any time, because of this there is no designated span of time that we will be working on our proposal.



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