

Welcome to the Planned Parenthood of Greater Texas monthly newsletter. As a member of our community, we would like to share the latest updates on the work at Planned Parenthood.



CONNECTIONS

A MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

A NEWS CONNECTION

The Texas Supreme Court denied a request from a pregnant woman to have an abortion to protect her health.

Kate Cox is a Dallas resident whose third pregnancy had severe complications due to fetal anomalies. Her doctors have explained how her pregnancy could cause a uterine rupture and endanger her future fertility.

"Listening to Kate is heartbreaking because nobody should ever be in that situation. We're in a situation where doctors are having to say, how sick is too sick? How close to death does somebody need to be? And who is allowed to make that determination?"

**- Dr. Anna Dermish, Chief Medical Officer,
Planned Parenthood of Greater Texas**



Due to Texas extreme abortion ban, Kate Cox was forced to travel out of state for an abortion. Together, we advocate for Texans' right to make informed, personal healthcare decisions. Thank you for supporting advocacy to restore abortion rights in Texas.

ADDRESSING CERVICAL CANCER DISPARITIES: OUR SHARED MISSION

Although cervical cancer rates have decreased across the U.S., incidence and mortality rates of cervical cancer remain disproportionately high for Black and Hispanic women. HPV vaccines are an important resource for preventing cervical cancer, yet Texas ranks nearly last: 48th, for HPV vaccinations. Because you support Planned Parenthood, we offer a range of sexual and reproductive healthcare at our health centers, including HPV vaccines and cervical cancer screenings (also called pap smears) to screen for and detect precancerous cells on the cervix early and when it is most treatable. Thank you for being a part of our mission.



TEEN LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES: TEEN ADVOCACY BOARD

Because of you and your generosity, Planned Parenthood of Greater Texas provides sex education peer leadership opportunities in Dallas, Fort Worth, and Austin for teens in grades 9-12. The Teen Advocacy Board (TAB) empowers teens to build their knowledge and provide peer education and advocate for sexual health.

TEEN ADVOCACY BOARD

AUSTIN
DALLAS
FORT WORTH

Teen Advocacy Board (TAB) empowers Austin, Dallas, and Fort Worth teens to educate and advocate for sexual health, fostering community connections with like-minded individuals passionate about social issues.

More Info:
ppgreatertx.org/tab

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January is Cervical Health Awareness Month

You save lives through the early detection of cervical cancer when you make a gift to Planned Parenthood.

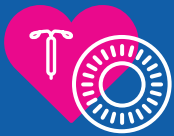
4,575

As of November 2023, your gift helped provide **4,575 life-saving cervical cancer screenings** to detect and prevent cervical cancer.

1,109

As of November 2023, your gift helped provide **1,109 HPV vaccines** to protect Texans against cervical and other HPV-related cancers.

Our most common services provided are:



Birth control to help patients plan and space their pregnancies.



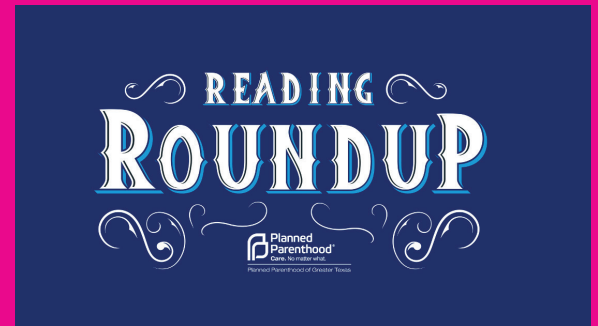
Testing and treatment for STIs, HIV tests, and PrEP and PEP to prevent HIV transmission.



Lifesaving breast and cervical cancer screenings.

TAKE ACTION: READING ROUNDUP!

Planned Parenthood of Greater Texas is proud to present the Reading Round-Up, a collection curated from our book clubs in Dallas, El Paso, and Waco. Planned Parenthood book clubs explore reproductive, transgender, and women's rights issues of interest to each community, empowering readers to become advocates for social justice and sexual and reproductive health. Don't miss an opportunity to connect, learn, and grow together: Join the Planned Parenthood of Greater Texas Book Club in Dallas, El Paso, or Waco or access the reading roundup book list.



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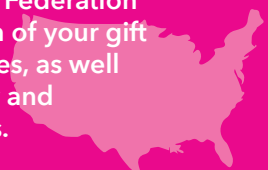
Support high-quality healthcare and sex education programs. Please get in touch with us today at development@ppgt.org or **214-254-3017** to learn how a legacy gift to Planned Parenthood ensures high-quality healthcare for generations ahead.

What's the difference between giving to Planned Parenthood of Greater Texas and Planned Parenthood Federation of America?

When you donate directly to Planned Parenthood of Greater Texas, 100% of your gift supports local healthcare and sex education services across Central, East, North, and West Texas.



When you donate to the Planned Parenthood Federation of America, a portion of your gift supports local services, as well as national advocacy and sex education efforts.



If you have a question, want to learn more, or want to get involved, please get in touch with the Development Office at (214) 254-3017 or development@ppgt.org.

