Planned Parenthood of Greater Texas:

December Connections

Welcome to the December edition of Planned Parenthood of Greater Texas' monthly newsletter. Your commitment to the Planned Parenthood mission is amazing; we extend our utmost gratitude to you. Please read on to see how much your compassion and kindness directly impacts Texans who truly need us most.



COMPASSIONATE CARE WITHOUT JUDGMENT

With on-going stigma surrounding sexual health, Texans can sometimes feel uncertain about their options for healthcare and sex education. When you support Planned Parenthood, you are providing compassionate, non-judgmental care and education for all patients. Thank you for caring. No matter what.

Texans depend on us for trusted, compassionate healthcare services like testing and treatment for sexually transmitted infections (STIs) and birth control. Because of your support, patients on the spectrum of gender identity and expression trust Planned Parenthood for their sexual healthcare needs.



Our patients count on Planned Parenthood for compassion. Thank you for giving them compassionate care and respectful sex education.

COMMUNITY HEALTH EDUCATION PARTNERSHIPS

Because of your commitment to Planned Parenthood, our educators provide accurate and compassionate health education to Texans in partnership with local nonprofits. Through one partnership, Planned Parenthood provides health programming for incarcerated residents. Planned Parenthood educators teach a series of workshops addressing:

- STI prevention
- Birth control
- General sexual health and wellness
- Support for parents in talking with their teens about sexual health

GIVING TUESDAY 2022

Thank you for coming together to transform the communities we serve, and help Planned Parenthood do even more good in our communities. Thank you for lifting up the Planned Parenthood mission - Care. No Matter What.



A YEAR OF ADVOCACY

We are fighting until everyone has the power to control their own bodies, lives, and futures. Supporters like you are at the center of our movement to restore and protect sexual and reproductive healthcare. With you standing with us, we will not back down!



A NEWS CONNECTION

With abortion banned in Texas, and neighboring states also banning nearly all abortions, many Texans are in a vast abortion desert, with the impact felt most acutely by people who earn low incomes, have children, and Black women who are at higher risk of maternal mortality and morbidity in Texas.

Several new studies show that not everyone who is denied access to abortions in Texas can travel out of state and, as a result, face negative outcomes from not being able to safely access an abortion.

With your support, we help Texans who need access to birth control to prevent unintended pregnancies. Thank you for all you do to support the patients we serve.

Your support matters.

Our doors are open because of your support. In 2021, more than 72% of our funding came from private donations like yours, with 18% of our total funding coming in the month of December. Funds raised provided:

123,343

tests and treatments for STIs, HIV tests, PrEP/PEP HIV prevention medications, and HPV vaccines to prevent cervical cancer, certain types of oral, anal, penile and vulvar cancers, and genital warts.

42,145

birth control services to plan and space pregnancies and treat health conditions including endometriosis and polycystic ovary syndrome.

5,442

breast and cervical cancer screenings, treatments to diagnose and prevent cancer at the earliest and most treatable stages, including colposcopy, cryotherapy and LEEP (Loop Electrosurgical Excision Procedure), and mammography referrals.

100,224

Healthcare visits in 2021 at Planned Parenthood health centers in Austin, Dallas, Denton, El Paso, Fort Worth, Lubbock, Paris, Plano, Tyler, Waco, and surrounding communities. **89**%

Approximately 89% of our patients earn annual household incomes less than \$25,000.

70%

In 2021, 70% of patient visits at Planned Parenthood of Greater Texas were uninsured Texans.

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.



Lifesaving breast and cervical cancer screenings.

WAYS TO GIVE

Would you like to continue supporting high-quality healthcare services and sex education programs for generations to come? Contact Shawn Wills, Chief Development Officer, at (214) 363-3505 or shawn.wills@ppgt.org if you want to learn how a legacy gift to Planned Parenthood can ensure your commitment to high-quality care for all continues.

Your gift of:

\$1,000 provides 40 empowerment kits with emergency contraception, a pregnancy test, and condoms to support patients in preventing unintended pregnancies

\$500 prevents cervical cancer through screenings and prevention for two patients

\$200 empowers one teen with honest, inclusive sex education

\$100 prevents an unintended pregnancy for three patients through one month of birth control

\$30 keeps Texans healthy through the distribution of 150 condoms



