Planned Parenthood of Greater Texas:

August Connections

Welcome to the August edition of Planned Parenthood of Greater Texas' monthly newsletter. As a valued supporter, we would like to share the latest updates on the work you make possible at Planned Parenthood. We have also included important action alerts and upcoming events.



TAKE ACTION

Turn your anger into action!
Because of your advocacy and
support for Planned Parenthood,
together we make change happen.
Join PPGT for upcoming events.



NORTH TEXAS GIVING DAY 2022

SAVE THE DATE

North Texas Giving Day is on September 22, 6:00 AM - Midnight. Early giving starts September 1st.



HEALTHCARE: EMPOWERMENT KITS

With the recent SCOTUS decision, it is more important than ever for Texans to have what they need to prevent unintended pregnancies. Your support makes Empowerment Kits available for all patients, free of charge, in every Planned Parenthood health center.

EDUCATION: BE AN ASKABLE ADULT

There's no better resource for teens than a supportive adult with whom they can talk. Texas has the third highest rate of teen pregnancies and the highest rate of repeat teen births in the United States. Your funding maintains Planned Parenthood's education and outreach programs. Our donor-funded workshops use a three-part approach that engages parenting adults, educators, and peers to reduce teen pregnancy and sexually transmitted infections in the communities we serve. All of Planned Parenthood's education programs are facilitated by professional health educators trained to provide age-appropriate, evidence-based information to the community.

Your support ensures a full calendar of summer workshops!

AUSTIN EVENT: NIGHT UNDER THE STARS

Our evening together in front of the Austin skyline will feature mission-focused inspiration, education, and fun entertainment! Whether you plan to attend in person or virtually, we look forward to being together again as a community of passionate Planned Parenthood supporters. PLANNED PARENTHOOD OF GREATER TEXAS CORDIALLY INVITES YOU TO

A MIGHT UNDER THE STARS

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2022

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CO-CHAIRS

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A NEWS CONNECTION

Despite abortion ban, Planned Parenthood remains open for other health services.

Due to your support, Planned Parenthood of Greater Texas remains open and continues to offer reproductive healthcare services like contraception and STI testing and treatment for individuals across the state. Because of you, our increased services and extended hours allow our health center staff do what they do best: care for people, no matter what.

Sarah Wheat, a spokesperson for Planned Parenthood of Greater Texas, said demand for services like birth control has been increasing in the wake of abortion bans:

"I think it's incredibly important that people know that our health center doors are open, especially for patients who might be looking to update their birth control method or come in for consultation on birth control methods available."

August Means Back to School

A successful return to school means having the resources for a healthy year ahead. Your support helps our patients take care of their health, ensuring appointments at Planned Parenthood are available for scheduling an annual exam, HPV vaccine, sexually transmitted infection (STI) tests, and birth control consultation. Your support ensures that Texans have access to quality healthcare and the evidence-based health education they need to make healthy decisions. You make our community stronger.

What Texas Public School Districts Teach on Sex Ed





The Center for Disease Control and Prevention found that for every age group, the topic **least** likely to be addressed in schools was how to access and use condoms.



enables two teens to receive honest, accurate sex education

Our most common services provided are:



Birth control to help Texans plan and space their pregnancies.



Testing and treatment for STIs, HIV tests, and PrEP and PEP.



Lifesaving breast and cervical cancer screenings.



Save the Date

Thursday, September 8, 2022 5:30 PM - 7:30 PM

Location available upon RSVP

Co-Chairs

Michelle Cummings and Allison Glass

Our evening together will feature an array of cocktails and drinks, hors d'oeuvres, and mission-focused speakers who will provide an insider's view of Planned Parenthood's work in the border region. We hope to see you there!

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 prevents the spread of sexually transmitted infections through testing and treatment for five patients
- \$360 protects one patient against certain types of HPV that can lead to cancer with the HPV vaccine
- \$200 empowers one teen with honest, inclusive sex education
- \$90 prevents unintended pregnancies with three months of birth control





