

WHY #SEXEDFORALL?

(AND WHY MAY IS NO LONGER TEEN PREGNANCY PREVENTION MONTH!)



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SUPPORTING YOUNG PEOPLE'S RIGHT TO
COMPREHENSIVE, HIGH-QUALITY SEX EDUCATION.

HELLO!



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OBJECTIVES



Identify the stigmatizing & problematic messaging often embedded in teen pregnancy prevention campaigns



Explain the purpose of May as Sex Ed For All Month



Save the date to participate in May 2022 Sex Ed For All Month



Identify the resources the Sex Education Collaborative provides to support advancing comprehensive, high-quality sex ed

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WHY?

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**YOUTH DEMAND IT
(AND PARENTS WANT IT, TOO)**

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YOUNG PEOPLE EXPLAIN THEIR VISION for SEX EDUCATION

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On the state level, sex education and the personal rights and health of our youth have been under constant attack. It's more important than ever to organize against legislation that harms young people from getting the information and care that is vital to their well-being.

**IT'S ABOUT SO MUCH MORE
THAN PREVENTION.**

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SEX ED IS WELLNESS & SOCIAL CHANGE

- . Healthy relationships, communication, and consent
- . Identity formation and celebration
- . Bodily autonomy and self advocacy
- . Pleasure and intimacy
- . Media literacy, critical thinking, and systemic oppression

**WE ARE COMMITTED TO BEING
INCLUSIVE & AFFIRMING.**

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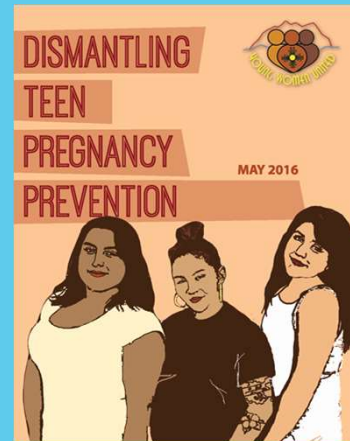
THE PROBLEM WITH TEEN PREGNANCY PREVENTION



www.NoTeenShame.org



www.CaliforniaLatinas.org



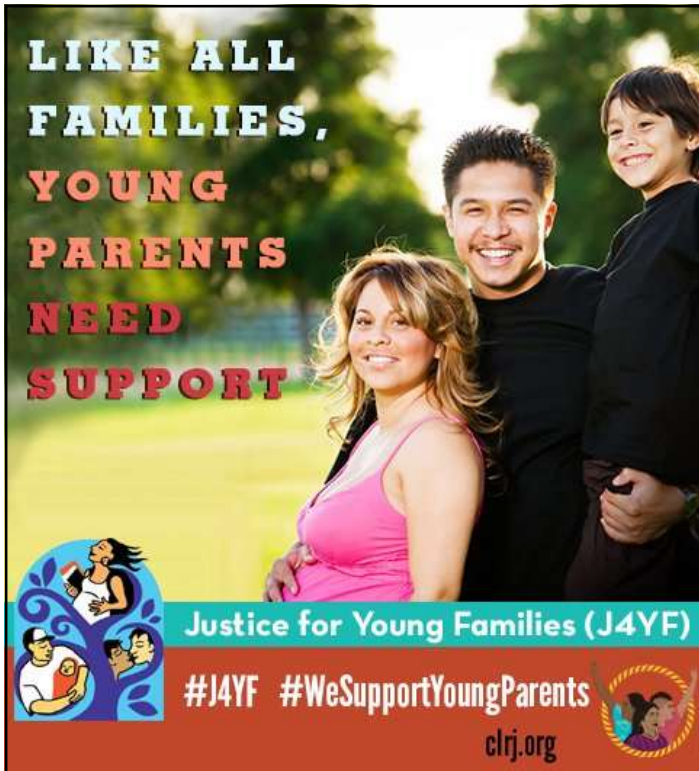
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MYTH

TEEN PARENTS ARE COSTLY TO SOCIETY.



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CHILDREN OF TEEN PARENTS HAVE POOR OUTCOMES.



I'm twice as likely **not** to graduate high school because you had me as a **teen**.

KIDS OF TEEN MOMS ARE TWICE AS LIKELY NOT TO GRADUATE THAN KIDS WHOSE MOMS WERE OVER AGE 22.

Text 'NOTNOW' to 877877 for the real price of teen pregnancy.
Standard text messaging rates may apply. Check with your service provider.


NYC Human Resources Administration
Michael R. Bloomberg Mayor Robert Dear Commissioner



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CHILDREN OF TEEN PARENTS HAVE POOR OUTCOMES.



“I receive motivation to succeed from my daughter”



Justice for Young Families (J4YF)

#J4YF #WeSupportYoungParents

clrj.org

I'M NOT A DOLL. I'M FOREVER.

MYTH
TEEN PARENTS ARE BABIES HAVING BABIES.



BE A KID. DON'T HAVE ONE.

THERE ARE ONLY TWO WAYS TO PREVENT TEEN PREGNANCY --
 USE BIRTH CONTROL EVERY TIME OR DON'T HAVE SEX.

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TEEN PARENTS ARE BABIES HAVING BABIES.

YOU DESERVE TO BE TREATED WITH
DIGNITY KINDNESS
 AND **RESPECT**
 NO MATTER AT WHAT AGE
 YOU CHOOSE TO PARENT.

JUSTICE FOR
 YOUNG PARENTS IS
REPRODUCTIVE
JUSTICE.



KEPAPAL HINDI ART PROJECT



**YOU'RE SUPPOSED TO BE
CHANGING THE WORLD...
NOT CHANGING DIAPERS.**





Nearly 750,000 teenage girls
will become pregnant this year.
Change it! #NoTeenPreg

thecandiesfoundation.org

MYTH

**TEENS WHO
HAVE BABIES
HAVE RUINED
THEIR LIVES.**



I am not a
mistake or a public health
issue. I am a girl. I am a
human. I am awesome...
because my mom gave me
life at 17 but gives me love
and purpose everyday! 

#NOTEENSHAME

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PAST EVENTS

- Youth Town Hall
- Resolution: May is Sex Ed For All Month
- Legislation Introduced
- Congressional Briefing
- Panel of State Legislators & Sex Ed Experts

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“Age-based, equitable and accessible sex education programming for our young people is essential to our collective health and resilience. Creating a nation and state where young people are informed and empowered to make healthy decisions benefits us all, and we should be committed to expanding access to sex ed today and everyday!”



FLORIDA REPRESENTATIVE

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“When sex education is LGBTQ+ inclusive, it helps to create safe and affirming environments for LGBTQ+ young people to learn about consent and healthy relationships. Such education provides vital tools to aid youth in making informed decisions. Furthermore, inclusive curriculum reduces bullying by teaching respect and enhances the ability of all students to learn.”



MASSACHUSETTS REPRESENTATIVE

JACK LEWIS

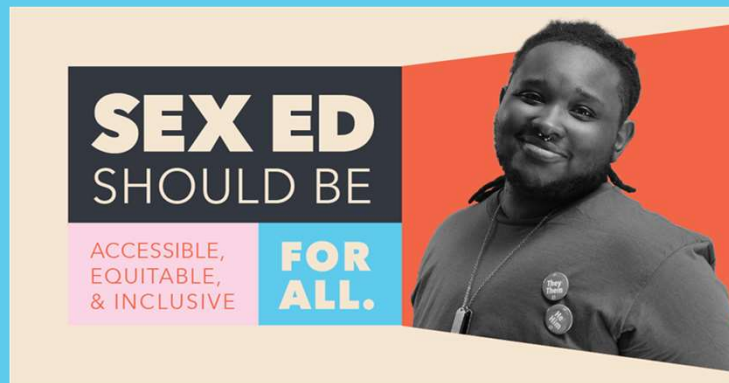
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TOOL KIT

- Events List
- Suggested Calendar
- Talking Points
- Email Announcement
- Press Release template
- Graphics
- Social Media Posts

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The quality of your sex education shouldn't be based on your zip code. #SexEdForAll Month calls for comprehensive reform and tangible resources for all young people, no matter where they live.

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YOU DESERVE

SEX EDUCATION
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without judgment or shame.

SEX ED
FOR ALL

Sex ed empowers youth to make informed decisions about their sexual health & well-being

And it's a vehicle for social change, advancing issues like:

- ✓LGBTQ+ rights
- ✓Reproductive justice
- ✓Sexual violence prevention
- ✓Racial equity
- ✓Health equity

#SexEdForAll

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NEXT?

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BREAKOUTS

- What have you done in May in the past?
- What do you want to do for May 2022?
- What might you need to support your May 2022 activities?

**BE PREPARED TO SHARE
AFTER YOUR BREAKOUT**

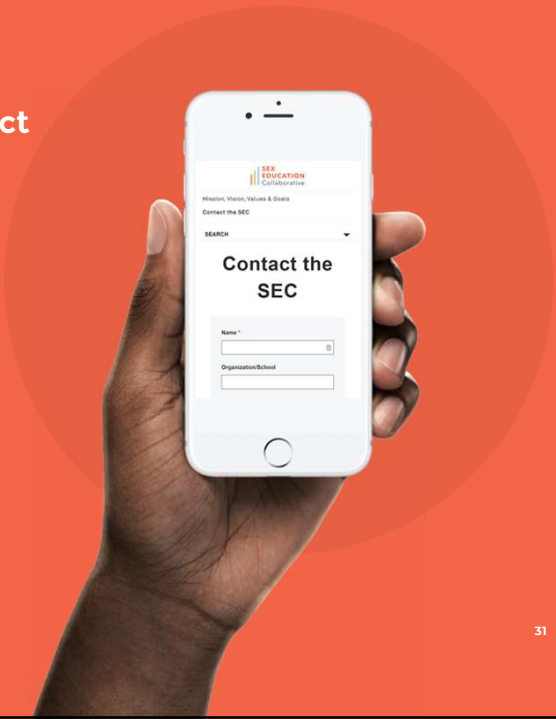
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RESOURCES NOW!

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GET UPDATES

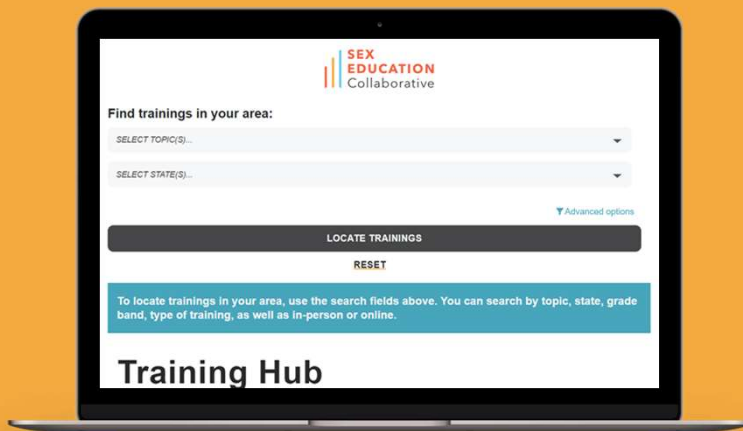
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CHECK OUT THE HUB

The sex ed training you need, where you need it



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