



# ALABAMA CAMPAIGN

FOR ADOLESCENT SEXUAL HEALTH

## Community Benefit Report

FY23: October 1, 2022 - September 30, 2023

### Youth Served

FY23 opened new avenues for serving youth in our communities. Not only did we continue to work with our Girls at the Center Youth Advisory Council, with support from the Women's Foundation of Alabama, we also became subgrantees of a federal teen pregnancy prevention grant - Sexual Health for Adolescents Rooted in Equity (SHARE). We had over 50 applicants to our SHARE Youth Advisory Council, which is working out of Birmingham. We will begin sex education with youth across the state in 2024, with a focus on reaching BIPOC and LGBTQ+ youth and their families.



### Training & Technical Assistance

In FY23 we hosted 11 monthly webinars with guest speakers across the country and provided trainings to audiences at Alabama Dept. of Public Health, Tuskegee University, Auburn Via College of Osteopathic Medicine (VCOM), Southern Rural Black Women's Initiative, Hey Girl Hey, University of Alabama, Healthy Futures of Texas, and VCOM Carolinas. All together the trainings and technical assistance reached over 640 youth and adults, a 52% increase over FY22.



### Resources Distributed

We distributed resources to nearly 1,200 youth and adults in FY23. Resources shared included information on birth control, prevention of STIs and HIV, and ways to prevent bullying and be more inclusive. These resources were shared at conferences, health fairs, Pride Fest, and more. We also hosted our first ever Consent for Kids Fair in Birmingham.



### Advocacy

Advocacy is a critical part of our work. Advocacy allows us to educate lawmakers and other decision makers, as well as the average citizen, on the importance of sex education for our youth. In FY23 we hosted postcard writing parties, attended an advocacy day at the State House, and dropped off legislator packets. We also talked to more than 2,000 people across Alabama about the lack of information young people receive about their bodies, their sexuality, and their health.



# From the Executive Director

I have never been as proud of the work of the Alabama Campaign as I am this year. Not only did our staff go from 1 to 3 (a 200% increase!), we also weathered fiscal and partner storms and came out on top. Let me be clear - the Alabama Campaign is dedicated to ensuring ALL youth in Alabama receive the information they need to make the best decisions for their sexual health. And some people disagree with serving all youth. But when we don't serve ALL youth, we see unacceptable disparities - in 2020, young Black women ages 10-19 were 40% more likely to get pregnant than their white peers, and LGBTQ+ youth are four times more likely to attempt suicide than their peers. This is simply because Alabama is not serving ALL youth in the ways that are best for them. I know the work we do at the Alabama Campaign is life changing because I have seen it change the lives of the young people we work with through our youth advisory councils. And I know I will continue to see our work transform lives in 2024 as we begin direct youth programming through our new federal grant. The future of our work is bright, and if there's ever been a time to get involved, it's NOW. Reach out to see how you can volunteer, and also consider how a financial gift can make a difference in the lives of Alabama's youth.



## Thank You

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