

## TPS program results FY '09

- 89 participants were served:  
92% female 8% male
- 16 participants graduated from high school or a GED program.
- 94% of participants successfully completed parenting classes.

Services are available to both biological parents. TPS focuses on the parent-child relationship, child development, and self-sufficiency as a parent. Clients may self-refer or be referred by family or friends.



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## Teen Parent Services

Helping young parents care for their child and for themselves



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**Teen Parent Services (TPS)** helps pregnant and parenting teens complete their education and space future pregnancies so that they are better equipped to take care of themselves and their families.

Participants of the TPS program are expected to stay in school and obtain their high school diploma or GED. They are also required to contact their assigned case manager monthly.

TPS may help pay for transportation to and from school, as well as assist with child care.



## Who is eligible for TPS?

You are eligible to participate in TPS if you:

- Are under the age of twenty *and* are pregnant or a parent *and*
- Do not have your high school diploma or GED certificate
- Are a resident of Rock Island County, Illinois, *and*
- Apply for or receive TANF\* cash, a medical card, food stamps, Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC), or Family Case Management (FCM).

## How can TPS eliminate barriers that keep me from being in school?

Your TPS case manager will help you set up a step-by-step plan to finish school, learn new skills, and become an effective parent. This will help build a better life for you and your family.

When you go to school, TPS can also help you get a referral for child care.

\*All TANF recipients are required to enroll in this program.

**Case Management Services** include a plan that is driven by your goals and include:

- Monitoring of school attendance and progress
- Referrals for needed assistance, including HIV, AIDS, and STD testing
- Counseling regarding spacing of future pregnancies
- Tracking of child's immunizations, wellness checks, and developmental screens
- Assistance with graduation requirements
- Assistance with school fees, books, and registration
- Assistance with transportation.

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