

A Photo Voice Project

Empowering pregnant and parenting Ottawa County teens.

In 2013, the Ottawa Youth Sexual Health Coalition (OYSHC) was awarded \$2,000 from the Holland/Zeeland Community Foundation to reach teens. The money was used to create the *One Voice* project, as a way for pregnant and parenting teens to tell their stories through photography.

The goal of this project is to encourage teens to delay sexual activity; and for individuals already having sex to continuously use contraception consistently and correctly every time. Ottawa County pregnant and parenting teens, working with the *One Voice* project, have helped other teens to think about how their sexual health choices may impact their lives.

The result of the One Voice project has increased understanding of how we need to treat and serve others, along with creating awareness in our community about the challenges of being a pregnant or parenting teen.

YOU CAN HELP!

- Mentor
- Provide meals
- Volunteer for childcare
- Donate time, money and infant/toddler items

- Provide transportation
- Teach cooking, life skills or parenting classes
- Plan for special celebrations (graduation, holidays, family picnics and more)

Get involved!

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