Membership Information

The following organizations are involved in the coalition:

* Menominee County/Nation University of Wisconsin—Extension
* Menominee Tribal Clinic
* Woodland Boys and Girls Club
* Menominee Indian School District
* College of Menominee Nation/Youth Empowerment Program
* Tribal Social Services & Child Support
* Menominee County Social Services
* Menominee Tribal School
* Community Resource Center

Menominee Teen Pregnancy Prevention Coalition

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Vision:
Children are considered to be gifts and are cherished as such in both traditional and modern Menominee culture. The Teen Pregnancy Prevention Coalition envisions community members having children when they are financially and emotionally prepared and have the support of peers and other adults in their lives. These community members will understand the choices available to them, the decisions they must make, and the resources available to them. Education beginning at a young age will help young people have a strong sense of self-worth and confidence and there will be fewer traumas suffered by children. Young men will understand what fatherhood means and young women will understand what motherhood means.

Mission:
Reduce teen pregnancy and form a collaboration between community organizations to develop a consistent message.

Menominee County/Nation Statistics

*The three year average birth rate among females ages 15-19 in Menominee County increased approximately 40% between 2000-2002 and 2008-2010. However, rates have been improving slowly since. During that same time, access to long-term birth control has become available through the Menominee Tribal Clinic.

*Menominee County teen birth rates have been consistently higher than statewide rates for all races (4.7 times higher) and American Indians (1.9 times higher).

*The Menominee County birth rate for females ages 15-19 for 2010-2012 is 104 per 1,000 - the highest county in the state.