



**Education for Successful Parenting** 

### Childhood should be healthy and safe Yet for many it isn't

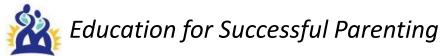
# One-fifth of U.S. children have experienced two or more Adverse Childhood Experiences

- Abuse
- Neglect
- Poverty
- Parental divorce
- Domestic violence
- Substance abuse by family member
- Family member's mental illness
- Parent incarcerated



Child abuse and neglect is reported for 6 million children every year.

(ChildTrends, U.S. Department Health & Human Services)



### **Lasting negative effects**



"Adverse Childhood Experiences are a serious public health issue" (Centers for Disease Control)

These adverse experiences ...

- Shape a child's development, affecting physical, intellectual, and emotional wellbeing
- Cost our country \$80 billion annually in investigation, treatment, chronic health problems and lost productivity (Prevent Child Abuse, 2012)
- Have long-term consequences, often lasting a lifetime

And the cycle can continue on to future generations.



### A major causal factor



Too many people enter into parenthood insufficiently prepared to care for their children.

Long before
a child is conceived,
adolescent choices and
behaviors set the stage
for an emerging family.

Parenting education has been arriving too late.



# Who needs to be the focus for prevention? Adolescents ages 13-19

The best time to prepare for parenting ... is before conception.

- Form healthy relationships
- Learn about prenatal risks of alcohol, drugs, and nicotine
- Develop capacities to provide for, protect, and nurture a child

The best way to reach a broad population ... is through education.

- Inform in a timely way
- Teach in an optimal setting
- Include both males and females

In the U.S. there are 16 million teens. (U.S. Census Bureau)



### **Envision this ...**

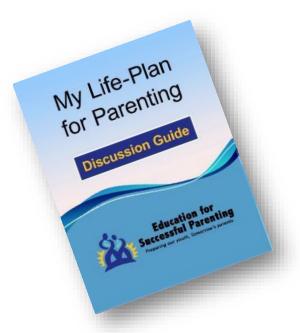
What if all children can have a healthy beginning with parents who are prepared to care for them?



# **Education for Successful Parenting (ESP)**

### A solid solution

ESP's mission is to improve children's wellbeing by preparing teens for parenting - before they conceive the next generation of children.



## For Schools, Families, and Youth Programs

- Instructional materials
- Onsite classes
- Instructor training



### Why ESP's approach is innovative Our Unique Value Proposition

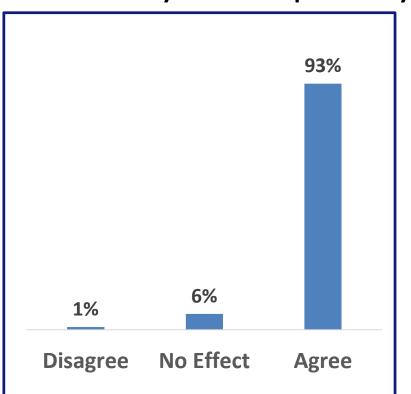
Goal	Traditional Approach	ESP's Approach
Child abuse prevention	Addresses factors after a family is at-risk	ESP prevents factors before a family is at risk
Parenting education	Attendees are already pregnant / parenting, primarily women	ESP reaches teens before they conceive a child, improves quality of early parenting
Maternal health	Health advice is given at first prenatal visit, 9-12 weeks into pregnancy	ESP addresses prenatal risk factors (e.g., alcohol) prior to conception
Family planning	Presents methods to prevent pregnancy	ESP motivates to postpone pregnancy with life-planning
School programs educating teens about family	Elective family science classes reach a subset of primarily female students	ESP's program in health ed classes reaches all male and female students

# Teens tell us ESP's impact "Here's what I'll do differently..."

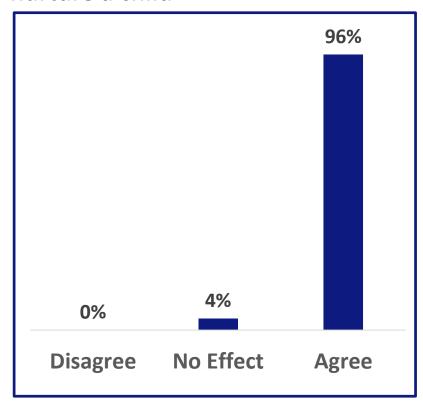


# Our measures of success "As a result of ESP's program, I feel ..."

Better able to wait to have a child until I am ready for the responsibility



Better able to provide, protect, and nurture a child



1,300 high school students' self-reports on evaluation surveys 2015-2016



### **Testimonials**

#### **Teens**

"I liked that they help us now and tell us everything before its too late.

- Female student (16)

"This ESP program really made me think about my future, and now I understand that it is not a joke to have children." - Male student (16)

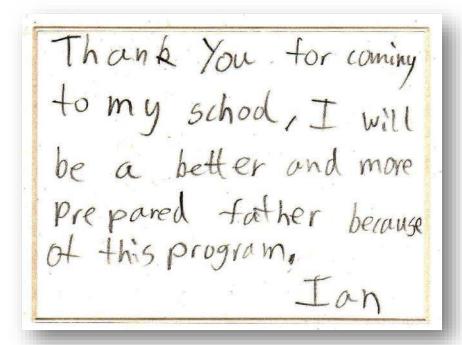
#### **Teachers**

"I have seen first-hand how ESP's program has helped so many kids make good decisions." – Suzan Guba, Buena Park High School

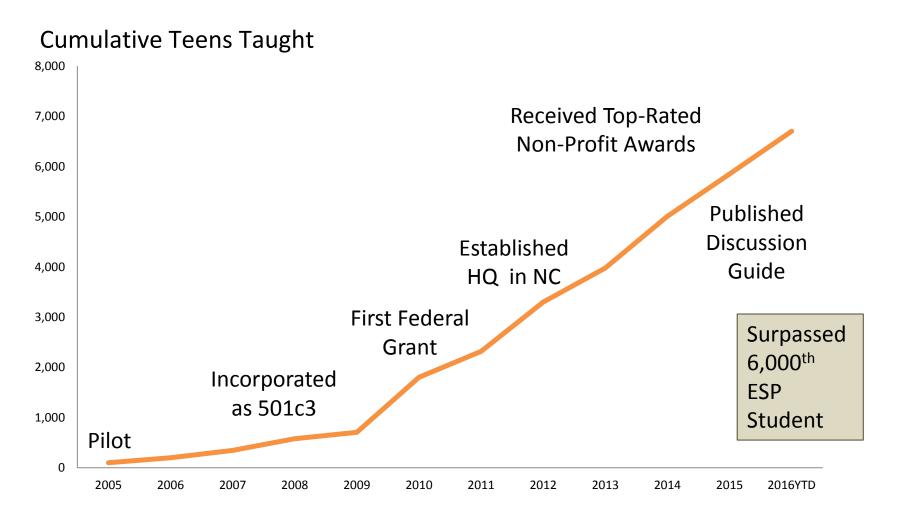
#### **Parents**

"I wish all schools would make this a mandatory program." – Marti Eisenberg





### Number of teens ESP has instructed





### How ESP is funded? By caring hearts.



Individual Donors and Corporate Matching Gifts



Federal and Private Grants

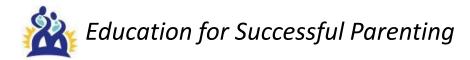


**Curriculum Sales & Training** 

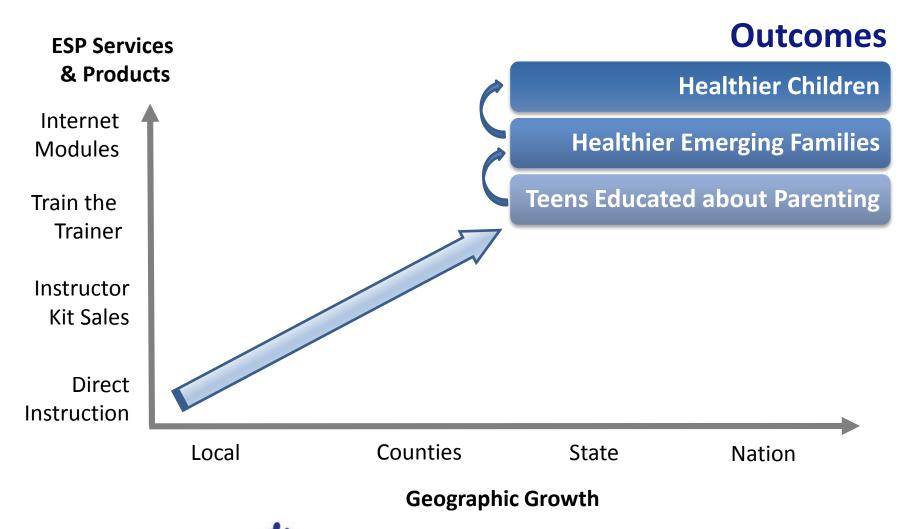


Fees for Instruction

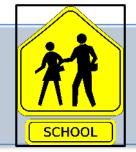
ESP revenue sources 2008 - 2016



# **ESP's Strategic Plan Educate more teens**

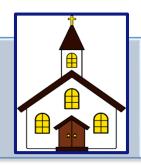


# The ways ESP will grow Reaching more teens in more places



Public Schools

Private Schools





Home Schools

Juvenile Justice





Parents of Teens

Residential Programs



To prepare teens for their future roles as parents



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### How your investment will be utilized



#### ... to educate MANY more teens

- ESP will provide My Life-Plan for Parenting workbooks and Discussion Guides to more schools and youth programs
- ESP will train more teachers in the Healthy Foundations for Future Families program
- ESP will develop digital curriculum for Internet access and exponential growth

### Together we can create better beginnings for all children

### Will you join us?

### Preparing today's teens, tomorrow's parents

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