

“Positive Changes” Mission

To encourage teenage dads to stop having children until they are in their later years, complete high school, visit their children more often, show them the benefits of attending higher education after graduating from high school and to address obstacles that are blocking their path.



**Every 2nd and 4th
Thursday of the Month
3:30 pm to 5:30 pm**

at

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**TEEN FATHERHOOD
PROGRAM**

CLEVELAND, OHIO

- Teen Parenting Services
- Counseling
- Educational Enrichment
- Trips
- Job Search Assistance

The Challenge

Teen fatherhood is associated with many risk factors, including delinquency and drug use. Teenage men are experiencing the daunting challenge of raising a child without prerequisite fathering and relationship knowledge and skills.

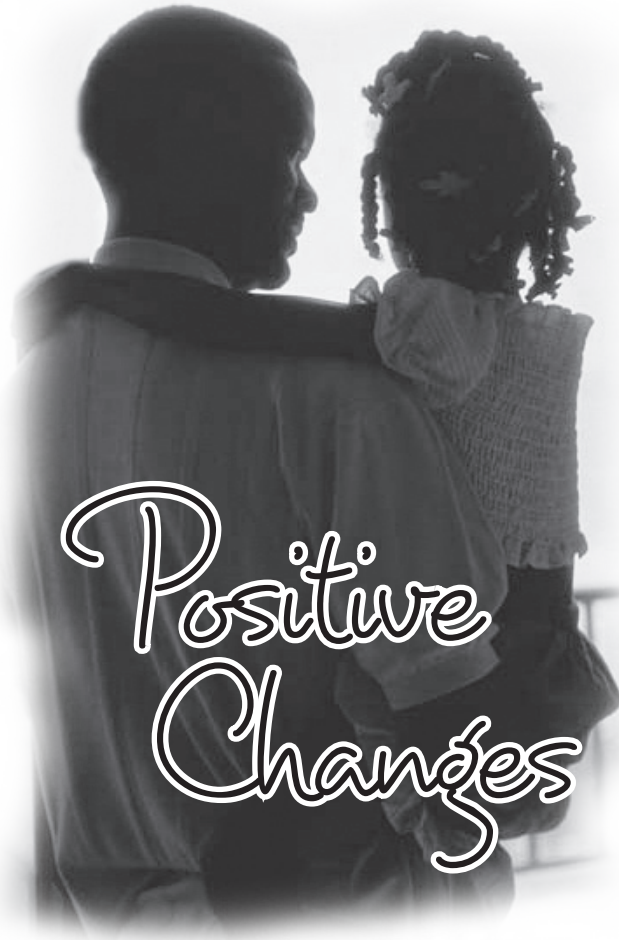
Additionally they are at-risk themselves of dropping out of school and having more than one child. These teens are not able to contribute financial and emotional support to their children.

There is a serious need to provide direction to teenage boys who will become or are fathers while still attending school.



The Solution

The **Positive Changes** program addresses the needs of teenage boys who will become or are already fathers while still attending school. The program will help them become more confident and responsible in their new way of living. With the assistance provided by this program, these young fathers are able to move their lives in a different, positive direction.



Program Goals

Key goals for program participants include...

1. Not having babies in the near future.
2. Graduating from high school.
3. Establish a healthy relationship with their child and the child's mother.
4. Attending a higher education institution.
5. Making decisions that will help them to become confident, responsible and successful fathers.

Opportunities

This program will provide the opportunity for the teenage adolescent to hear from fathers and grandfathers and receive information from men who have been there. These program mentors can answer questions on how to juggle an adolescent and an adult world.



Activities

Each month all teens will meet to participate in a monthly trip. The trips consist of visiting venues that will lift the spirits of the teens such as sporting events or cultural outings. There will also be trips for experiencing events that are suitable for the teens to take their children.

