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In Fiscal Year 2013,¹ the state of Louisiana received:

- **Teen Pregnancy Prevention Initiative funds totaling \$2,200,000**
- **Division of Adolescent and School Health funds totaling \$58,721**
- **Personal Responsibility Education Program funds totaling \$730,578**
- **Title V State Abstinence Education Program funds totaling \$887,727**

In Fiscal Year 2013, local entities in Louisiana received:

- **Teen Pregnancy Prevention Initiative funds totaling \$2,951,520**

SEXUALITY EDUCATION LAW AND POLICY

Louisiana does not require schools to offer sexuality or sexually transmitted diseases (STD)/HIV education, but schools are permitted to offer it after grade 6. State law mandates that sexuality education cannot be offered in grades K–6, except in Orleans Parish, which may offer sexuality education in grade 3 and above. Schools must provide this education “regardless of the student’s grade level” if the student is parenting or pregnant.² The education must be integrated into “an existing course of study such as biology, science, physical hygiene, or physical education.”³ It cannot include “religious beliefs, practices in human sexuality, nor the subjective moral and ethical judgments of the instructor or other persons. Students shall not be tested, quizzed, or surveyed about their personal or family beliefs or practices in sex, morality, or religion.”⁴ According to the *Louisiana Handbook for School Administrators*, students must be taught “the principal modes by which communicable diseases, including, but not limited to, HIV infection, are spread and the best methods for the restriction and prevention of these diseases.”⁵ Schools are prohibited from distributing any “contraceptive or abortifacient drug, device, or other similar product.”⁶

Classes may not include “any sexually explicit materials depicting male or female homosexual activity.”⁷ They also may not in “any way counsel or advocate abortion.”⁸ In addition, this education must emphasize that:

- abstinence from sexual activity outside of marriage is the expected standard for all school-age children;
- abstinence from sexual activity is a way to avoid unwanted pregnancy, STDs (including acquired immune deficiency syndrome), and other associated health problems; and
- each student has the power to control personal behavior and to encourage students to base action on reasoning, self-esteem, and respect for others.⁹

Louisiana also requires that all public high schools that offer home-economics classes must also provide “parenthood education,” which must include the following topics about family living and community relationships: the consequences of the lack of adequate prenatal care, home management, and the responsibilities of parenthood. In addition, Louisiana now requires that adoption awareness be included in any health education or appropriate class. This includes instruction on “the benefits of adoption for families wishing to add a child, for potential adoptees, and for persons who are pregnant or who have a child for whom they are unable to care.”¹⁰

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Parents or guardians may remove their children from sexuality education and/or STD/HIV education classes. This is referred to as an “opt-out” policy.

See Louisiana Revised Statutes Annotated §§ 17:263, 17:279, and 17:281, and Louisiana Handbook for School Administrators- Bulletin 741.

2013 STATE LEGISLATIVE SESSION ACTIVITY

Resolution to Establish Sex Education Task Force

Passed in June 2013, HCR 90 creates “a task force to study and evaluate the effectiveness of sexual health education programs used throughout the state and other states.” The resolution requires the task force to submit a report of its findings within 60 days of the 2014 Louisiana legislative session.

YOUTH SEXUAL HEALTH DATA

SIECUS has compiled the following data to provide an overview of adolescent sexual health in Louisiana. The data collected represents the most current information available.

Louisiana Youth Risk Behavior Survey (YRBS) Data¹¹

- In 2013, 16.1% of female high school students and 12.6% of male high school students in Louisiana who dated or went out with someone during the 12 months before the survey reported experiencing physical dating violence one or more times during that time period (defined as being hit, slammed into something, or injured with an object or weapon on purpose by someone they were dating or going out with), compared to 13% of female high school students and 7.4% of male high school students nationwide.

Visit the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention’s Youth Online database for additional information on youth risk behaviors.

Louisiana Teen Pregnancy, HIV/AIDS, and Other STD Data

Teen Pregnancy, Birth, and Abortion

- In 2010, Louisiana’s teen pregnancy rate ranked fifth in the United States, with a rate of 69 pregnancies per 1,000 young women ages 15–19, which is higher than the national rate of 57 per 1,000.¹² There were a total of 11,060 pregnancies among young women ages 15–19 reported in Louisiana in 2010.¹³
- In 2012, Louisiana’s teen birth rate ranked seventh in the United States with a rate of 43.1 births per 1,000 young women ages 15–19, compared to the national rate of 29.4 per 1,000.¹⁴ In 2012, there were a total of 6,458 live births reported to young women ages 15–19 in Louisiana.¹⁵
- In 2010, Louisiana’s teen abortion rate ranked 25th in the United States, with a rate of 10 abortions per 1,000 young women ages 15–19, compared to the national rate of 15 per 1,000.¹⁶ There were a total of 1,660 abortions among young women ages 15–19 reported in Louisiana in 2010.¹⁷

HIV and AIDS

- In 2011, the rate of diagnoses of HIV infection among adolescents ages 13–19 in Louisiana was 22.1 per 100,000, compared to the national rate of 7.6 per 100,000.¹⁸

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- In 2011, the rate of AIDS diagnoses among adolescents ages 13–19 in Louisiana was 5.1 per 100,000, compared to the national rate of 1.9 per 100,000.¹⁹
- In 2011, the rate of diagnoses of HIV infection among young adults ages 20–24 in Louisiana was 69.8 per 100,000, compared to the national rate of 36.3 per 100,000.²⁰
- In 2011, the rate of AIDS diagnoses among young adults ages 20–24 in Louisiana was 19 per 100,000, compared to the national rate of 10.9 per 100,000.²¹

Sexually Transmitted Diseases

- In 2012, Louisiana ranked fifth in the United States for reported cases of chlamydia among young people ages 15–19, with an infection rate of 3,011.4 cases per 100,000, compared to the national rate of 2,001.7 per 100,000. In 2012, there were a total of 9,478 cases of chlamydia among young people ages 15–19 reported in Louisiana.²²
- In 2012, Louisiana ranked third in the United States for reported cases of gonorrhea among young people ages 15–19, with an infection rate of 887.4 cases per 100,000, compared to the national rate of 376.8 per 100,000. In 2012, there were a total of 2,793 cases of gonorrhea reported among young people ages 15–19 reported in Louisiana.²³
- In 2012, Louisiana ranked second in the United States for reported cases of primary and secondary syphilis among young people ages 15–19, with an infection rate of 15.9 cases per 100,000, compared to the national rate of 4.1 per 100,000. In 2012, there were a total of 50 cases of syphilis among young people ages 15–19 reported in Louisiana.²⁴

FEDERAL FUNDING FOR SEX EDUCATION, TEEN PREGNANCY PREVENTION, AND ABSTINENCE-ONLY-UNTIL-MARRIAGE PROGRAMS

President's Teen Pregnancy Prevention Initiative

The President's Teen Pregnancy Prevention Initiative (TPPI) funds medically accurate and age-appropriate programs to reduce teen pregnancy. The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Adolescent Health (OAH) administers the grant program, which totaled \$105 million in discretionary funding for FY 2013. TPPI consists of two funding tiers that provide grants to local public and private entities. Tier 1 totals \$75 million and provides funding for the replication of evidence-based programs proven to prevent unintended teen pregnancy and address underlying behavioral risk factors. Tier 2 totals \$25 million and provides funding to develop and test additional models and innovative strategies. A portion of the Tier 2 funds, \$15.2 million, was allocated for research and demonstration grants to test innovative approaches, while the remaining funding, \$9.8 million, was allocated for grants to support communitywide initiatives. OAH utilizes the remaining appropriated funds to provide program support, implementation evaluation, and technical assistance to grantees. TPPI also dedicates \$8.5 million in funding to conduct evaluations of individual programs.

TPPI Tier 1: Evidence-Based Programs

The TPPI Tier 1 grant program supports the replication of evidence-based programs proven effective through rigorous evaluation to prevent unintended teen pregnancy and minimize underlying behavioral risk factors or other associated risk factors.

- Local organizations in Louisiana received \$4,604,281 in TPPI Tier 1 funding for FY 2013.

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- There are four TPPI Tier 1 grantees in Louisiana: Central Louisiana Area Health Education Center Foundation; Institute of Women and Ethnic Studies; Louisiana Department of Health and Hospitals, Office of Public Health; and Louisiana Public Health Institute.

Central Louisiana Area Health Education Center Foundation, \$406,849 (FY 2013)

The Central Louisiana Area Health Education Center (CLAHEC) is a community-based organization that provides education-based services to a 17-county region of Louisiana (Ascension, Avoyelles, Catahoula, Concordia, East Baton Rouge, East Feliciana, Grant, Iberville, LaSalle, Livingston, Pointe Coupee, Rapides, St. Helena, Vernon, West Baton Rouge, West Feliciana, and Winn). CLAHEC works to address shortages of health professionals in underserved and rural areas, provide community-based services that assist health professionals to further develop and maintain their skills, and encourage students, especially minorities or underrepresented groups, to pursue health professions. Its mission is to “[increase] the number of primary health care professionals and [improve] access to quality health care.”²⁵

With its TPPI grant, CLAHEC provides programming to cadets of the Louisiana National Guard Youth Challenge Program.²⁶ The overall goals of the program are to increase participants’ knowledge of, comfort with, and intention to use contraceptives; to provide participants with information that will help them change behaviors contributing to high HIV and STD rates among adolescents; and to reduce unintended teen pregnancy.²⁷ The program uses *Be Proud! Be Responsible!* and targets high-risk young people ages 16–19 from urban, suburban, and rural communities throughout south and central Louisiana. CLAHEC delivers the program at the Louisiana National Guard Youth Challenge Program’s Camp Beauregard location in Pineville, Louisiana, and at its Gillis Long Center location in Carville, Louisiana. The program aims to reach 1,300 youth annually.

Institute of Women and Ethnic Studies, \$599,680 (FY 2013)

The Institute of Women and Ethnic Studies (IWES) is a national nonprofit founded in 1993 in response to health disparities among minority women. Headquartered in New Orleans, the organization is “dedicated to improving the physical, mental, and spiritual health and quality of life for women of color and their families, especially those who are socio-economically disadvantaged.”²⁸ IWES maintains strong relationships at the community and grassroots level and works to bring the “voices, perspective, and experiences of the community” to its partnerships with academic institutions, public health agencies, and policymakers at the federal, state, and local levels.²⁹ The organization promotes health awareness and activism and provides programs and services in the areas of sexual health and prevention, reproductive justice and sexual health advocacy, and mental health and community wellness.

With its TPPI Tier 1 funding, IWES implements the Making Proud Choices!—New Orleans, LA (MPC!—NOLA!) program. The program aims to “empower young adolescents to change their behavior in ways that will reduce their risk of becoming infected with HIV and other STDs and their risk of pregnancy.”³⁰ The objectives of the program include increasing responsible sexual behaviors and knowledge regarding pregnancy and STD prevention and instilling belief in the importance of safe sexual practices among program participants. The program aims to reach approximately 900 young people annually. MPC!—NOLA! targets African-Americans and Latinos ages 11–13 who reside in Orleans and Jefferson parishes. IWES partners with public and charter schools and community-based organizations committed to youth empowerment to recruit participants and implement programming, including the Ashé Cultural Arts Center/Efforts of Grace, Children’s Defense Fund of Louisiana, CubaNOLA, Gert Town Community Development Center, Treme Charter School Association/McDonogh #42 Elementary Charter School, Women With A Vision, and the YOUTHanasia Foundation.³¹

Through MPC!—NOLA!, IWES uses *Making Proud Choices!* in public and charter schools during school hours and through after-school programs.

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The MPC!—NOLA! implementation of *Making Proud Choices!* incorporates two additional sessions into the curriculum to address the specific needs of New Orleans youth. These sessions address mental health and wellness as key factors in decision making and protective behavior. The adaptation has been approved by OAH.³²

Louisiana Department of Health and Hospitals, Office of Public Health, \$2,200,000 (FY 2013)

The Louisiana Department of Health and Hospitals (DHH), Office of Public Health manages its TPPI tier 1 grant through its Family Planning Program. The program serves low-income residents who wish to space the births of their children and/or limit the size of their families. Its mission is to “reduce female and infant mortality, morbidity, and teen pregnancy by providing disease screening, health education, counseling, and contraceptive methods.”³³

The DHH Office of Public Health Family Planning Program contracts with community-based organizations to implement *Teen Outreach Program (TOP)* in four urban parishes and three rural parishes with the highest incidences of teen births in Louisiana. The TPPI Tier 1 program targets primarily African-American youth in the urban areas and primarily Caucasian youth in the rural areas and aims to reach approximately 200 youth annually.³⁴

Louisiana Public Health Institute, \$1,397,752 (FY 2013)

Located in New Orleans, the Louisiana Public Health Institute (LPHI) is a statewide nonprofit organization that works to improve “population-level health outcomes.” Its mission is to “promote and improve health and quality of life through diverse public-private partnerships with government, foundations, academia, community groups and private businesses at the community, parish and state levels.”³⁵ LPHI provides programming and services in a variety of areas including health policy and advocacy, health promotion and disease prevention, and health systems development.

With its TPPI Tier 1 grant, LPHI partners with nine other community organizations to implement programming to high-risk young people ages 14–19 at 12 sites throughout Orleans Parish. Program partners include: The Beautiful Foundation, the City of New Orleans Healthy Start Program JOB1 office of workforce development, Communities in Schools, Goodwill Industries, Institute for Women and Ethnic Studies, Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center—New Orleans, Nikki’s Foundation, The Policy Research Group, and Tulane University School of Medicine. The overall goal of the program is to address the gaps in sexuality education and preventive services in Orleans Parish. LPHI and its partnering organizations implement two intervention models: *Becoming a Responsible Teen (B.A.R.T.)* and *Safer Sex*. Through the Tier 1 program, LPHI aims to reach 535 youth annually.³⁶

TPPI Tier 2: Innovative Approaches

The TPPI Tier 2 grant program supports research and demonstration programs in order to develop, replicate, refine, and test additional models and innovative strategies for preventing teenage pregnancy.

- There is one TPPI Tier 2 Innovative Approaches grantee in Louisiana, Tulane University, which received \$547,239 for FY 2013.

Tulane University School of Public Health and Tropical Medicine, \$547,239 (FY 2013)

The Tulane University School of Public Health and Tropical Medicine uses its Tier 2 grant to implement *BUtiful (Be YOU! Talented, Informed, Fearless, Uncompromising and Loving)*, an internet-based adaptation of *SiHLE (Sisters Informing, Healing, Living and Empowering)* with African-American young women ages 18–19 in New Orleans, Louisiana.³⁷

TPPI Tier 2: Communitywide Initiatives

The TPPI Tier 2 grant program also supports communitywide initiatives to reduce rates of teenage pregnancy and births in communities with the highest rates. The program awards grants to national organizations as well as state- and community-based organizations. Funded national partners provide training and technical assistance to local grantees. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) implement the grant program in partnership with OAH.

- There are no TPPI Tier 2 Communitywide Initiatives grantees in Louisiana.

Division of Adolescent and School Health

The Division of Adolescent and School Health (DASH), within the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), provides funding to 17 state and 19 local education agencies to help districts and schools strengthen student health through exemplary sexual health education (ESHE), that emphasizes HIV and other STD prevention, increased access to key sexual health services (SHS), and establishing safe and supportive environments (SSE) for students and staff. In addition, DASH funds nine national non-governmental organizations (NGOs) to help state and local education agencies achieve these goals.

- There were no DASH grantees in Louisiana funded to strengthen student health through ESHE, SHS, and SSE in FY 2013.

DASH also funds three local education agencies and one NGO to implement multiple program activities to meet the HIV/STD-prevention needs of young men who have sex with men (YMSM) and to develop strategic partnerships and collaborations between schools and community-based, mental health, and social services organizations to accomplish this work.

- There were no DASH grantees in Louisiana funded to deliver YMSM programming in FY 2013.

DASH also provides funding for state, territorial, and local education agencies and state health agencies to establish and strengthen systematic procedures to collect and report Youth Risk Behavior Survey (YRBS) and School Health Profiles data for policy and program improvements.

- There was one DASH grantee in Louisiana funded to collect and report YRBS and School Health Profiles data in FY 2013, the Louisiana Department of Education (\$58,721).

Pregnancy Assistance Fund

The Pregnancy Assistance Fund (PAF), administered by OAH, provides expecting and parenting teens, women, fathers, and their families with a network of support services. Established in FY 2010 through a 10-year authorization (FY 2010–FY 2019) in the Affordable Care Act (ACA), PAF is a \$25 million competitive grant program for state and tribal entities. PAF grants support programs that include at least one of the following four components: 1) support for expectant and parenting student services at institutions of higher education; 2) support for expectant and parenting teens, women, fathers, and their families at high schools and community centers; 3) improved services for pregnant women who are victims of domestic violence, sexual violence, sexual assault, and stalking; and 4) increased public awareness and education services for expectant and parenting teens, women, fathers, and their families. Now in the second round of awards, PAF supports 17 entities in 14 states and three tribal entities, most of which focus their efforts on serving teen parents.

- There are no PAF grantees in Louisiana.

Personal Responsibility Education Program

The Personal Responsibility Education Program (PREP) totals \$75 million per year for FYs 2010–2014 and is the first-ever dedicated funding stream for more comprehensive approaches to sexuality education.

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The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families (ACF) administers the grant. PREP includes a \$55 million state grant program, \$10 million to fund local entities through the Personal Responsibility Education Innovative Strategies (PREIS) program, \$3.1 million for Tribal PREP, for tribes and tribal organizations, with remaining funds for evaluation, training, and technical assistance. In addition, provisions within the statute for PREP enable a competitive application process for community- and faith-based organizations within states and territories that do not directly seek PREP funding by the third year of the program; these competitive PREP (CPREP) grants were awarded to organizations in five states and three territories in FY 2013. Details on the state grant program, PREIS, Tribal PREP, and CPREP are included below.

PREP State-Grant Program

The PREP state-grant program supports evidence-based programs that provide young people with medically accurate and age-appropriate information for the prevention of unintended pregnancy, HIV/AIDS, and other STDs. The grant program totals \$55 million per year and allocates funding to individual states. The grant does not require states to provide matching funds. Funded programs must discuss abstinence and contraception, and place substantial emphasis on both. Programs must also address at least three of the following adulthood preparation subjects: healthy relationships, positive adolescent development, financial literacy, parent-child communication skills, education and employment skills, and healthy life skills.

- The Louisiana Department of Health and Hospitals, Office of Public Health, STD/HIV Program received \$730,578 in federal PREP funds for FY 2013.
- The department chose to sub-grant to eight³⁸ local public and private entities.³⁹

The Louisiana PREP grant program is administered by the STD/HIV Program, which is within the Office of Public Health of the Department of Health and Hospitals. The state uses PREP funds to sub-grant to eight local entities to provide community-based programming. Funded programs target African American youth in and around the cities of Alexandria, Baton Rouge, Hammond, Lafayette, Lake Charles, Monroe, and Shreveport. Louisiana PREP uses two evidence-based interventions: Project AIM (Adult Identity Mentoring) for African-American adolescents ages 11–14 and SiHLE (Sisters Informing Healing Living and Empowering) for African-American females ages 14–18.⁴⁰

Personal Responsibility Education Innovative Strategies (PREIS)

PREIS supports research and demonstration programs to develop, replicate, refine, and test innovative models for preventing unintended teen pregnancy. ACF implements the grant program in collaboration with OAH and provides a total of \$10 million in funding directly to local public and private entities.

- There are no PREIS grantees in Louisiana.

Tribal Personal Responsibility Education Program (Tribal PREP)

Tribal PREP supports the development and implementation of comprehensive teen pregnancy prevention programs within tribes and tribal communities. Tribal PREP programs target youth ages 10–19, who are in or are aging out of foster care, homeless youth, youth with HIV/AIDS, pregnant and/or parenting youth who are under 21 years of age, and youth who live in areas with high adolescent birth rates. Programs must address at least three of the following adulthood preparation subjects: healthy relationships, positive adolescent development, financial literacy, parent-child communication skills, education and employment skills, and healthy life skills.

- In FY 2013, 16 tribes and tribal organizations from nine states received a total of \$3.1 million.
- There are no Tribal PREP grantees in Louisiana.

Competitive Personal Responsibility Education Program (CPREP)

CPREP grants support evidence-based programs that provide young people with medically accurate and age-appropriate information for the prevention of unintended pregnancy, HIV/AIDS, and other STDs.

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Organizations and institutions in states and territories that did not apply for PREP formula grants in either of the past two fiscal years were eligible to submit competitive applications for CPREP grants. Thirty-seven grants, totaling \$18.6 million, were awarded in FY 2013 to organizations in American Samoa, the Commonwealth of Northern Mariana Islands, Florida, Guam, Indiana, North Dakota, Texas, and Virginia.

- There are no CPREP grantees in Louisiana.

Title V State Abstinence Education Grant Program

The Title V abstinence-only-until-marriage (Title V AOUM) program, administered by ACF, allocates \$50 million per year to states for FYs 2010–2014. ACF implements the grant program. The Title V AOUM program requires states to provide three state-raised dollars or the equivalent in services for every four federal dollars received. The state match may be provided in part or in full by local groups. All programs funded by Title V AOUM must promote abstinence from sexual activity as their exclusive purpose and may provide mentoring, counseling, and adult supervision toward this end. Programs must be medically accurate and age-appropriate and must ensure abstinence is an expected outcome.

- The Office of Louisiana Youth for Excellence within the Office of the Governor received \$887,727 in federal Title V AOUM funding for FY 2013.
- The agency does not sub-grant any of the Louisiana Title V AOUM funds.⁴¹
- In Louisiana, the match is provided through in-kind funds.

The Office of Louisiana Youth for Excellence (LYFE), within the Office of the Governor, administers the Louisiana Title V AOUM program in both school- and community-based settings. Programming targets youth in grades 7–12 across the state with the curriculum *Choosing the Best*.⁴²

Competitive Abstinence Education Grant Program

Administered by the ACF, the Competitive Abstinence Education (CAE) grant program provides grants for “abstinence education” as defined by the A–H statute in Title V of the Social Security Act, as well as for mentoring, counseling, and adult supervision that promotes abstinence outside of marriage. As currently implemented by ACF, the programs must also be medically accurate. In FY 2013, \$4.3 million was granted through a competitive application process to 10 grantees across nine states, in addition to the nine grantees implementing the second year of their CAE awards in some overlapping and additional states, for a total of 19 CAE grantees in 14 states.

- There are no CAE grantees in Louisiana.

Louisiana TPPI, DASH, PAF, PREP, Title V AOUM, and CAE Funding in FY 2013

| Grantee | Award | Fiscal Years |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|--------------|
| Teen Pregnancy Prevention Initiative (TPPI) | | |
| <i>TPPI Tier 1: Replication of Evidence-Based Programs</i> | | |
| Louisiana Department of Health and Hospitals, Office of Public Health, Family Planning Program | \$2,200,000 | 2010–2014 |
| Central Louisiana Area Health Education Center Foundation | \$406,849 | 2010–2014 |
| Institute of Women and Ethnic Studies | \$599,680 | 2010–2014 |
| Louisiana Public Health Institute | \$1,397,752 | 2010–2014 |
| TOTAL | \$4,604,281 | |

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| <i>TPPI Tier 2: Innovative Approaches</i> | | |
| Tulane University, School of Public Health and Tropical Medicine | \$547,239 | 2010–2014 |
| TOTAL | \$547,239 | |
| Division of Adolescent and School Health (DASH) | | |
| Louisiana Department of Education | \$58,721 | 2013–2017 |
| TOTAL | \$58,721 | |
| Personal Responsibility Education Program (PREP) | | |
| <i>PREP State-Grant Program</i> | | |
| Louisiana Department of Health and Hospitals, Office of Public Health, HIV/AIDS Program (federal grant) | \$730,578 | 2013 |
| TOTAL | \$730,578 | |
| Title V Abstinence-Only-Until-Marriage Program (Title V AOUM) | | |
| Louisiana Executive Department, Office of Louisiana Youth for Excellence (federal grant) | \$887,727 | 2013 |
| TOTAL | \$887,727 | |
| GRAND TOTAL | \$6,828,546 | 2013 |

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¹ This refers to the federal government's fiscal year, which begins on October 1 and ends on September 30. The fiscal year is designated by the calendar year in which it ends; for example, FY 2013 began on October 1, 2012, and ended on September 30, 2013.

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⁴ La. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 17:281(A)(2), <http://www.legis.state.la.us/lss/lss.asp?doc=80423>.

⁵ *Louisiana Handbook for School Administrators*, p. 29, <http://www.doa.louisiana.gov/osr/lac/28v115/28v115.doc>.

⁶ La. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 281(A)(b)(3).

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²³ Ibid.

²⁴ Ibid.

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