

Studio Six Nine Celebrates

Studio Six Nine Hair Design, 545 N.E. Killingsworth St., recently held their 7th annual Customer Appreciation barbecue.

Customers were treated with good food, gifts, and a wealth of appreciation for their patronage. The event was hosted by Studio Six Nine Manager Chere' Brame, barber Horace Simpson and stylists Ruby Shepherd, Celeste Taylor, and Aline Andre.

The hair-cutting crew said they were looking forward to hosting another successful event next year and gave special thanks to all of their customers who were able to attend.

For more information about the salon, call 503-284-1782 or 503-284-1786.



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African American Alliance for Homeownership



Presents

The 12th Annual

African American Homeownership Fair

Saturday, October 30, 2010

10 am – 2:30 pm

Legacy Emanuel Hospital Atrium
501 N. Graham St., Portland

FREE and OPEN to the Public

- Enter to Win a \$1,000 grant give-away and other great prizes
- Attend a first-time home buyer/foreclosure prevention workshop
 - Visit over 40 housing professionals
 - Free Parking and Lunch (served 11:30 – 1:00 pm)

Pre-registration is NOT required; Everyone is welcome

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Educating Teens

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The program's expansion means it can target a diverse population of the highest risk youth in grades 7-12 in a mix of rural and urban communities. The program is expected to reach over 2,500 youth in Oregon and 8,000 youth across the five states during a five-year project period.

The foremost goal is to significantly reduce teen pregnancy. Additionally, the program seeks to increase the numbers of youth who delay onset of sexual activity; increase the numbers of youth using protection when sexually active; significantly decrease academic course failure and school suspensions; and increase youth's positive attitude towards service and community engagement.

"Planned Parenthood has been providing life-changing youth development programs to youth in Oregon and Southwest Washington for 47 years," said Camelia Hison of Planned Parenthood Columbia-Willamette, the local affiliate headquartered in Portland. "Oregon's teens are the big winners in this announcement. We are so lucky to have this unprecedented opportunity to implement such a well-respected, successful teen pregnancy prevention program here in our state."

The Teen Outreach Program will take place in schools and community agencies, engaging youth in weekly sessions over a nine-

month period. The curriculum includes age-appropriate sessions on relationships, communication, goal setting, and sexual health, along with a vital community service component.

"We are excited to partner with other youth serving organizations and schools to provide this program across the region," said Mary Gossart, who oversees education and training for the Portland Planned Parenthood affiliate.

Nearly 750,000 teens in the United States will become pregnant each year. Teen mothers are more likely to drop out of school and fall into poverty. Children born to teen mothers also face significant life challenges: they are more likely to drop out of school, experience unintended pregnancies early in life, and experience more financial and health disparities compared to children of older parents.

Evidence has shown that abstinence-only programs have not helped lower the teen pregnancy rate or the likelihood of teens having sex.

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the teen birth rate rose from 2005 to 2007 after years of steady decline, and then dropped again in 2008. More recently the CDC released a report showing almost all U.S. teens have had formal sex education, but only about two-thirds have been taught birth control methods.

The federal grant will also create multiple new full-time jobs within Planned Parenthood in Oregon.