This summer, Planned Parenthood experienced an unprecedented series of attacks by extremists, aided by politicians on the state and national levels. Through deceptively edited and discredited videos, website hacks, harassment of patients and doctors, and sham hearings in Austin and Washington, DC, they have attempted to dismantle access to healthcare and education services that Planned Parenthood provides to millions of women, men, and young people across the nation. Effective September 1, the Texas Legislature’s ban on Planned Parenthood patients from the Breast and Cervical Cancer Screening program took effect.

But we stand strong. We will not be intimidated. We continue to provide compassionate, high quality healthcare to Texans who need us, and our health centers continue to provide affordable breast and cervical cancer screenings because of your support. Your donations ensure our health centers continue to provide cancer screenings, HIV tests, testing and treatment for STIs, birth control, and safe, legal abortion. Your advocacy is overwhelmingly positive on social media, petitions, and in support of #StandwithPP, #StandwithSadie, Humans of Planned Parenthood, Pink Out Day, and so many other inspiring campaigns.

Our health center doors will remain open to those who need our care, no matter what. On behalf of the nearly 85,000 women, men, and young people we serve each year, thank you.

Ken Lambrecht
President & CEO

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PLANO CELEBRATES NEWEST HEALTH CENTER

On September 13, Planned Parenthood supporters, donors, Board members, and staff joined with Planned Parenthood Federation of America President Cecile Richards to celebrate the opening of our newest health center in Plano.

Made possible by Building Our Future Fund donors, the Plano Health Center is part of a multi-year enhancement initiative to serve our patients in updated and new Planned Parenthood facilities. For more information or to support the Building Our Future Fund, visit ppgreatertx.org.

Planned Parenthood of Greater Texas staff with Planned Parenthood Federation of America President Cecile Richards at the opening of the Plano Health Center in September
HEALTHCARE IN THE FORT WORTH COMMUNITY

At the Hispanic Wellness Coalition of Fort Worth's annual Wellness Fair in August, Planned Parenthood staff were on-hand to share healthcare expertise and information. Attendees consulted with our on-site clinicians on important health topics such as menopause, birth control options, and men's health services, and were able to schedule appointments at our four Tarrant County health centers.

Know of an important event our team should attend? Email us at community@ppgt.org!

TACT IN CHINA

Planned Parenthood TeenAge Communication Theatre (TACT) alumna Marisa Salatino traveled to China over the summer to teach high school students. Her seminar, Act Now and Change the World, was inspired by her participation in TACT in 2013-14.

“I had the kids write skits on topics of their choosing, and they came up with really great issues that touched on TACT topics,” says Marisa. “TACT’s methods are definitely applicable for a range of topics in Shanghai!”

We are proud to see TACT’s messages continuing to make a profound difference in the lives of current and former participants. Thank you Marisa!

TeenAge Communication Theatre alumna Marisa Salatino with high school students in China, where she presented her Act Now and Change the World seminar this summer

original, interactive theater pieces for other teens in the Dallas area. To host a TACT performance, contact TACT@ppgt.org or 214.536.5673.

SAVE THESE DATES

October 8
Dallas Cocktails for a Cause

October 18
Austin Annual Dinner
Keynote Speaker Olympia Snowe

October 22
Waco Cocktails for a Cause

November 12
Fort Worth Cocktails for a Cause

Advance reservations required and sponsorships available. Please call 855.314.0799 ext 10183 or email events@ppgt.org for more info.

END-OF-YEAR GIVING

Consider supporting Planned Parenthood’s mission by making a contribution toward our core programs and operations. With your support, we will remain a trusted resource for women and families for another 80 years.

Planned Parenthood of Greater Texas provides healthcare and education services to nearly 85,000 Central and North Texans each year in Austin, Dallas, Fort Worth, Paris, Tyler, Waco, and surrounding communities.