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President Obama's FY 2011 Budget Proposal

Statement from The National Campaign to Prevent Teen and Unplanned Pregnancy

(Washington, DC) — President Obama's FY 2011 budget proposal released on February 1, 2010 provides continued investments in several programs that help reduce teen and unplanned pregnancy, including increased funding over FY 2010 levels in several cases. Highlights include:

- \$129 million in discretionary funding for evidence-based teen pregnancy prevention programs, an increase of \$19 million over the amount appropriated for FY 2010. This includes \$85 million for programs with the strongest evidence of success, \$28 million for innovative strategies to reduce teen pregnancy, \$4 million for rigorous evaluation of programs funded under this initiative, and \$12 million for training, technical assistance, and program support.
- \$50 million in mandatory funds for grants to states, tribes, and territories for evidence-based teen pregnancy prevention programs, which is consistent with the FY 2010 proposal but has not yet been enacted.
- \$4.5 million for longitudinal evaluation of teen pregnancy prevention programs, consistent with the FY 2010 appropriated level.
- \$22 million for the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's Promoting Science-Based Approaches project within the Safe Motherhood Project, an increase of \$7 million over the FY 2010 appropriated level.
- \$327 million for the Title X family planning program, an increase of \$10 million over the FY 2010 appropriated level.
- \$500 million in mandatory funding for a new Fatherhood, Marriage, and Families Innovation Fund for competitive grants to States to conduct and rigorously evaluate comprehensive responsible fatherhood projects and projects that improve child outcomes by improving outcomes for their parents. This program folds in funding of \$150 million for what was the Healthy Marriage and Responsible Fatherhood Grants.

In total, the budget proposes \$183 million to prevent teen pregnancy within the newly established Office of Adolescent Health and \$22 million within CDC. The National Campaign applauds the Administration's commitment to these important investments at a time when budgets are constrained and the President has called for an

overall freeze on non-security spending, and particularly commends the strong focus on research and evidence. These critical and timely investments are more important than ever in light of the recent sobering news that the national teen pregnancy rate rose three percent between 2005 and 2006.

At the same time, unplanned pregnancy is not just about teens. At present more than half of all pregnancies in the United States are unplanned; moreover, this proportion has not budged for years, and for some groups, unplanned pregnancy has increased. While The National Campaign welcomes the additional \$10 million for the Title X program, we look forward to working with Congress to ensure that funding for family planning services is sufficient to meet the needs of the millions of uninsured or underinsured individuals seeking contraceptive services and counseling and other preventive health care services. The need for a more significant investment in cost-effective family planning services is greater than ever.

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