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**Girls Giving Grants chooses People's Community Clinic's
Tandem Teen Prenatal and Parenting Program as its 2011
Community Partner**

AUSTIN, Texas – *People's Community Clinic* was the final choice of 52 young women from Girls Giving Grants (G3), the youth extension of Impact Austin, a local women's philanthropic organization. G3 will award the organization \$5,200 for its Tandem Teen Prenatal and Parenting Program in a ceremony on April 26 at 5:30pm at the PCC facility. People's Community Clinic plans to use the grant funds to finance the "Caring for Baby" project. The funds will supply 50 care packages for teen parents which contain child safety items, patient education information focusing on child/baby safety, and much-needed baby supplies to be distributed by case managers during home visits with teens. In addition, patient education materials will be distributed to all patients receiving services in the Teen Prenatal program at the Clinic.

"I am so excited to award this year's grant to People's Community Clinic. Our membership found PCC's Tandem program extremely relatable because Tandem serves teenage girls just as our members are all teenage girls. Many of us are lucky to be

blessed with a stable home and a solid support system and it is wonderful that PCC steps in and creates a support structure for those that may not be as fortunate. It is applicants like PCC that make us aware of the needs in our community and give us the knowledge that we need to go out and make an impact on our world,” said Oriana Wright, G3 president and a senior at Westlake High School. G3’s members come from sixteen middle and high schools in the Austin area and membership is open to young women in grades 8 through 12.

Since 2006 G3 has awarded more than \$25,000 to the community. Past recipients include Austin Sunshine Camps, Hospice Austin, Austin Children’s Shelter, the Center for Child Protection and LifeWorks.

“We are so grateful to have been selected as a Girls Giving Grants partner”, said Regina Rogoff, CEO of People’s Community Clinic. “Their grant will support the Clinic’s Tandem Teen Prenatal & Parenting Program, which is collaboration led by People’s Community Clinic that is designed to provide medical, mental health, educational, and social support to low-income young parents and their children. The Girls Giving Grants gift will purchase safety kits for teen mothers. We very much appreciate the fact that the Girls Giving Grants members made the issue of teen pregnancy and parenting a priority this year.”

G3 provides an unparalleled opportunity to learn about the power of collective philanthropy. Girls combine their \$100 individual donations, review grant applications and award a single grant to a charitable organization annually.

“This program was started by teenage girls who built it from the ground up,” said Dina Mavridis, director of Girls Giving Grants. “G3 is the only all-girl, grant-making cooperative in Austin that is fully funded and operated by its young members. Our members have complete ownership—from funding the grant themselves, to making the

final determination of their grant recipient. Their grants make an impact on the community today and the learning experience makes an impact on the girls forever.”

Girls Giving Grants is the youth extension of Impact Austin. Impact Austin is a 501(c)(3) public charity made up of women seeking to transform lives in the Austin area through high-impact and lifelong giving. In 2010, Impact Austin awarded more than \$500,000 to five area non-profits and will do so again in 2011. For more information, visit www.impact-austin.org.
