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Baseline and Participatory Findings from the Philly Joy Bank

The Philly Joy Bank (PJB) is guaranteed income (GI) program co-developed by community members that provides $1,000 a month for 18 months during and after pregnancy for 250 pregnant individuals. As part of pur community-driven mixed methods evaluation plan, we use participatory arts-based methods in a sub-study with PJB participants. Participants engaged in six weekly in-person Photovoice sessions during pregnancy and two sessions postpartum to explore whether and how $1000 monthly, plus optional care support services, reduces financial stress and improves prenatal health and wellbeing. Our community-driven findings contribute to a more comprehensive understanding of who is benefiting from the PJB and the impacts of GI on health and well-being among birthing parents generally, and Black birthing parents, in particular.

Meet the Speakers

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