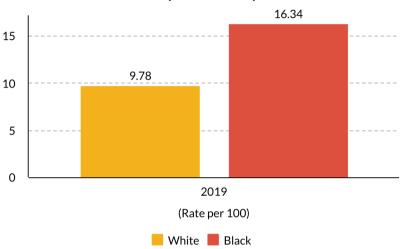
## **Preterm Birth**



Preterm birth is the birth of a baby before 37 completed weeks of gestation.

2017 - 2019 Preterm Birth by Race, St. Louis City & County



The rate of preterm birth among Black people in St. Louis is

**60%** 

higher than among White people.

To make an impact, improve quality of resources and accessibility of resources.
Increase support, reduce the disparity between classes.

## COMMUNITY RECOMMENDATIONS

Integrate doulas as part of the care team by reimbursing their services through insurance

Better training for providers to learn how to interact with Black patients

Offer free and accessible birthing and parenting classes

Increase support for Black families through an integrated approach to care

