



CATHOLIC CHARITIES OF THE ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO

HIV/AIDS Liaison to the Archdiocese

Overview

Catholic Charities HIV/AIDS Liaison to the Archdiocese and the HIV/AIDS Ministry provides consultation and direction in the areas of HIV/AIDS education and outreach to Catholic parishes throughout the Archdiocese and to programs and staff at Catholic Charities, in addition to collaborating with varied agencies in the Chicagoland region working in the area of HIV/AIDS. The activities of the HIV/AIDS Liaison focus on engaging individuals and communities to:

- Insure compassionate, competent service to all persons affected by HIV/AIDS;
- Manifest solidarity with those who are affected;
- Increase and sustain awareness of the pandemic;
- Help reduce the stigma surrounding the disease;
- Help reduce the spread of the disease through education and prevention;
- Call upon all Catholic parishes, social service agencies health care, and educational institutions to provide an environment of hope, healing and compassion for all who are affected by HIV/AIDS.

Services

These activities and services include:

- Free and confidential, on-site HIV screening at Catholic Charities summer health fairs
- HIV/AIDS education and outreach presentations to groups
- Development and dissemination of current educational literature consistent with Catholic Social Teaching
- World AIDS Day observances and events
- Catholic Charities HIV/AIDS web page, www.hivaidservicesministry.org
- Collaboration with the Archdiocesan Office of Catholic Schools on the HIV/AIDS Curriculum Guide K-12 and the integrated Health/HIV/AIDS Curriculum
- Sponsorship of the annual World AIDS Day Poster/Poetry contest in the Archdiocesan schools
- Collaboration with the Archdiocesan Office of the Diaconate, sharing educational and outreach materials and hosting an education table at the annual Diaconate Convocation
- Working closely with the Archdiocesan Office of the Vicar General on the Holy Thursday Collection
- Co-chairing the Catholic Charities HIV/AIDS Task Force for the Archdiocese and HIV/AIDS Program Services Committee
- Fundraising for the AIDS Foundation of Chicago Annual Run/Walk

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