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Donyale John
President, Board of Directors

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Once again I have the opportunity to say thank you to the community of supporters that continue to partner with the Black Coalition on AIDS in “stopping the spread of HIV/AIDS and eliminating health disparities in the Black community.” The organization continues to respond to the needs of the community by embracing individuals in need and taking care of the whole person. The profile of the clients requiring BCA’s services today looks quite different from the population the organization served in 1986.

Partnerships with key organizations, consistent, committed donors, and volunteers are vital to the organization’s success. Testimonies from clients confirm that BCA is making a difference in the lives of the people living with HIV/AIDS in San Francisco.

“The problems we have now in communities and societies are going to be resolved only when we are brought together by a common sense that each of us is a visionary. Each of us must come to the realization that we can function and live at the level of vision rather than following some great leader’s vision. Instead of looking for a great leader, we are in an era where each of us needs to find the great leader in ourselves.” - Werner Erhard

Your support proves that you have chosen to do your part to help our community. Thank you for your leadership in the fight against HIV/AIDS.


Donyale John



James Loyce, Jr., M.S.
Interim Executive Director

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Since 1986, the Black Coalition on AIDS has been in the forefront in the fight against the HIV/AIDS epidemic, serving our community’s needs with care and compassion when often there was nowhere else to go. Yet the epidemic remains a health crisis for Black people in the United States. According to the Centers for Disease Control, Black people comprise half of the AIDS cases diagnosed in 2005, although accounting for only 12 percent of the United States population.

Along with those sobering statistics, health and health care disparities between Black people and the rest of the country are widening and are reflected in higher rates of HIV infection, stroke, cancer, diabetes, asthma and heart disease. BCA has managed to provide basic educational and prevention services for people with HIV/AIDS-compromised immune systems who are vulnerable to health issues that are otherwise manageable and often preventable. In addition, faced with a growing client base, BCA has begun to expand our services that promote the health and well being of our community, one which is increasingly underserved in San Francisco.

As former Deputy of Health and Director of the AIDS Office in the San Francisco Department of Public Health and as one of the founding members of BCA, I can assure you that we will remain in the vanguard of those who seek to improve access to health care and enhance overall wellness for the Black community of San Francisco.

Thank for your continued support and for championing our mission.


James Loyce, Jr., M.S.

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HEALTH EDUCATION AND SUPPORT SERVICES

BCA offers an array of health education and health support services designed to improve health awareness and literacy, and assist those learning to cope with chronic or terminal conditions. BCA links all clients to appropriate medical care and provides an array of complimentary alternative medical services through the AACHIE collaborative. BCA is also an anchor partner in the Southeast Partnership for Health, an HIV Center of Excellence funded by the San Francisco Department of Public Health.

CASE MANAGEMENT AND HEALTH SERVICES

BCA is the one organization HIV+ Black San Franciscans can turn to in order to obtain culturally appropriate services in The City to better manage the disease process. BCA is the first step to service and support for hundreds of HIV+ people.

HOUSING

BCA's Rafiki Housing program serves nearly 500 homeless HIV+ individuals each year through its Brandy Moore transitional housing unit, long-term housing, emergency housing services and case management and funding on behalf of Black communities. BCA provides more than a room for the night—we are committed to preparing clients for independent living.

HIV PREVENTION AND EDUCATION

Reaching nearly 3000 individuals each year, BCA provides culturally competent and community based HIV prevention services to those most in need.

HEALTH PROMOTION AND AWARENESS

Addressing HIV health and wellness doesn't happen in a vacuum. Thus, BCA also addresses other health disparities in the Black community through the African American Coalition for Health Improvement and Empowerment Program (AACHIE).

CASE MANAGEMENT AND HEALTH SERVICES

As a trusted community organization with a long history in San Francisco's Black community, BCA has the most extensive access to culturally competent resources for HIV+ people. BCA's case management services ensure that people living with HIV have access to public and private benefits, housing, quality medical care, and other services and information for healthy living.

MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Black Coalition on AIDS (BCA) is to stop the spread of HIV/AIDS and eliminate health disparities in the Black community. BCA strives to achieve its mission by providing health and wellness services including, but not limited to, housing, education, advocacy, health case management and other health-promoting activities.

VISION AND VALUES

At BCA, we honor the diversity within the Black community and celebrate our common ancestry. We dare dream of a vibrant, healthy community, and believe that it is possible to stop the spread of HIV/AIDS and to eliminate health disparities in the Black community. We believe HIV/AIDS education and care must be delivered within the context of the health and wellness of the entire community, and in the context of other health disparities that disproportionately affect Black people. Care, responsibility and compassion are our core values, and community health and vitality our aim.

LONG-TERM STRATEGIC GOALS

- Stop the spread of HIV/AIDS and eliminate health disparities among Black people.
- Provide and link Black people in San Francisco to comprehensive and culturally sensitive health care and health supportive services.
- Advance BCA as an institutional health care leader in the San Francisco Bay Area, capable of delivering and advocating for community health strategies, services, and funding on behalf of black communities.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

BCA's operating budget was \$1.7 million. Audited financial statements are available upon request.

Helping To Build A Healthy Black Community

HEALTH EDUCATION (PREVENTION) PROGRAMS

AFRICAN AMERICAN COALITION FOR HEALTH IMPROVEMENT AND EMPOWERMENT (AACHIE) | AACHIE represents a community-based, community-driven program designed to help reduce health disparities and improve the quality of life among African Americans in San Francisco.

BLACK SPECTRUM | This is the Black LGBT community building project of BCA. It includes community arts, activism, education, and health and wellness elements.

HEALTH FAIRS & FORUMS | Health fairs and forums are sponsored throughout the year, providing information about health disparities affecting Black people.

HIV 101 WORKSHOPS AND CLASSES | Basic information about HIV/AIDS disease is provided in small groups.

HEALTHY RELATIONSHIP | Healthy Relationships is a five-session workshop for sexually active men or women who want to get information and learn practical skills about dating and intimacy in the wake of sexually transmitted diseases.

MANY MEN, MANY VOICES (3MV) | 3MV is a six-session political and social health workshop for sexually active Black men.

SAFETY COUNTS | Safety Counts is a three-session workshop for sexually active men or women who use soft or hard drugs in their sexual encounters.

HEALTH SUPPORT (CARE) SERVICES

COMMUNITY PROMISE | Community PROMISE is a community-level intervention to promote progress toward consistent HIV prevention through community mobilization and distribution of small-media materials and risk reduction supplies, such as condoms and bleach.

CIRCLE OF CARE | Circle of Care offers group support services for men and women who have HIV/AIDS.

COMPLIMENTARY ALTERNATIVE MEDICINE | Massage, chiropractic, and acupuncture services are provided, especially for those living with chronic illness. Services are provided every second and fourth Thursday on a walk-in basis.

CENTER OF EXCELLENCE | High-quality, fully integrated services for HIV infected and affected low-income Southeast residents of San Francisco.

HEALTH SCREENING AND TESTING | Health screening and testing services include HIV testing, blood pressure testing, diabetes testing, body mass index evaluations and more.

LIVING NOW | Living Now is a 10-session workshop designed to help HIV-positive men and women manage their medications and develop coping skills.

RAFIKI HOUSING | Supportive transitional and long-term housing is available for homeless, HIV positive individuals.

