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S1C is able to carry out our vital mission through your generous financial contributions. We are a 501 (c) 3 agency. Your donations are tax deductible. Please give to help us, help others that are in need. Thank you.

Our Mission

Our mission is to empower the African American and Latino MSM community, through HIV education and prevention methods, assisting them to take control of their lives in making sound sexual decisions. To broaden people living with AIDS knowledge base to help them make conscientious choices about available health care options, and enhance their skills to live a healthy and fulfilling life.

Still on the battlefield!

Hello my friends:

Someone Cares, Inc. of Atlanta is excited to let you know we are still on the battlefield. For the past year, it has really been a struggle, but we achieved and exceeded our goal. Through our outreach programs we have reached, to date, 4734 African American and Latino MSM.



In combination with our street and club outreach efforts, we conduct internet outreach. This has proven to be very successful in reaching those that are DL or just don't associate with the gay community. As you know the African American community here in Atlanta, make up 76% of the HIV cases that are reported, 46% are African American MSM. We must continue to create prevention and intervention methods to reach the heterosexual community as well as the LGBT community. They are still in denial and playing the ignorant card. We all must come together in a collaborative effort to reach our youth as well as the adults. The escalating rate of HIV infection among the youth of this nation is alarming and frightening.

Magic Johnson couldn't say it enough, "We as a Black community must come together and address the underlying reasons to why we don't take the virus serious". We continue to have unprotected sex. We can make a difference here in Atlanta.

With your help, S1C will continue to serve the Atlanta Metropolitan community as long as we have the resources. Thank you for your support and prayers.

Ronnie E. Bass / Executive Director

S1C New Chairman of the Board



Dr. David Malebranche

We would like to thank Dr. David Malebranche MD for accepting the position as Board Chair. Dr. Malebranche is highly respected in the greater Atlanta area and nation wide. He is on staff at Emory University Hospital and Grady IDP, specializing in the area of HIV/AIDS. Dr. Malebranche brings to the Board dedication, determination, vision and knowledge of the community in which we serve. S1C want to thank those Board members who have been able to attend the weekly board meetings and how grateful we are that you have decided to take an active role in giving direction and raising funds. S1C is moving to the next level as a service and educational organization and we solicit your ideals and guidance.

November Calendar

Nov 02 - African American Outreach Initiative ED meeting
9am - 11am

Nov 05, 12, 19 - Evening Chat (AAMSM HIV Support Group) 6:30pm

Nov 07 - Education session Jerusalem House 6pm

Nov 08, 09, 10 - CDC Fundamentals of Waived Rapid HIV Testing and Prevention Counseling

Nov 13 - Syphilis Elimination Effort meeting 8am - 4:30pm

Nov 14 - PLWA Education session Jerusalem House 6pm

Nov 20 - PLWA Education session Edgewood House 1:30pm

Nov 21 - PLWA Education session Northwest Ministries 1pm

Nov 27 - PLWA Education session Jerusalem House 6pm

Nov 30 - PLWA Education session Common Ground 11am

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Atlanta Black Gay Pride



Ladies of LaGender, Inc.



Gregory Amos



Fareed Covington S1C staff

Black Gay Pride 2006 was a great success. ITLA's long hours and hard work paid off. Over 10,000 Black LGBT merged on Atlanta to celebrate Black pride. Mayor Shirley Franklyn should be proud and willing to extend more city involvement in the up and coming years. There was no violence and the city received a large economic boost. I am proud to say S1C participated in the Health Expo, which conducted FREE HIV testing and provided an array of vendors and health organizations. Hats off to Darlene Hudson and the ITLA committee.

HIV Testing



S1C is now administering HIV testing with OraSure Advance. This has allowed us to conduct HIV testing during street and club outreach. Our in house testing days are on Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Thursdays, at the Mitchell Street location. 10am - 4pm

FREE HIV Testing!

Atlanta AIDS Walk 2006

October 15th marked another year to remember those that have died and those that are living with HIV/AIDS here in Atlanta. S1C and friends walked to help raise funds for the cause.



**Fareed, Erol, Robin,
Karl, Ronnie, Michelle,
Tarrance, Parrish,
Debra, Vanessa**



For your Holiday Meals



Betty & her friend, Greg and John at Hawks game

LET'S GO HAWKS!

Hey Guys!!! It's that time again. For the past two years, we have been blessed to receive tickets each week to the Thrasher's and Hawk's games. Come on and hang out with us. We will love the company.



My time. Your time. It's about time.

JOIN OUR HIV VACCINE STUDY

Seeking HIV negative, men who have sex with men, ages 18 to 45 to participate in an HIV vaccine clinical trial (the STEP study). The purpose of this study is to see if the investigational HIV vaccine is safe and may lower the chance of getting HIV. We hope to learn more about HIV vaccines and prevention of HIV infection. This study is being performed by Dr. Frances Priddy at the **Emory Hope Clinic**, 603 Church Street, Decatur, GA 30030. Study volunteers are compensated for time and travel expenses and will receive confidential HIV counseling and testing.

Get info: www.hopeclinic.emory.edu or vaccine@emory.edu



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Someone Cares, The question now is, Do you?