

Tides Fact Sheet: HIV/AIDS

Grantmaking, Projects

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Tides HIV/AIDS Impact

In terms of the amount of HIV/AIDS grants awarded in 2009, Tides (\$3.9M) ranked among the nation's top HIV/AIDS funders, led by Gates Foundation (#1, \$334M, 57% of total US-based philanthropic giving in 2009), Ford Foundation (#2, \$28M), Open Society Institute (#9, \$9.8M) and National AIDS Fund (#14, \$4.9M), on par with Robin Hood Foundation (#16, \$4.2M), and followed by United Nations Foundation (#20, \$2.8M), The David and Lucile Packard Foundation (#28, \$1.8M), Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (#29, \$1.7M) and Pride Foundation (#31, \$1.6M).

- Grants to HIV/AIDS organizations and projects constituted \$7.7M (5%) – including a \$4M grant to Global Giving Strategies for HIV Prevention – of Tides total \$143M grantmaking in 2010.
- In 2010, Tides awarded 236 HIV/AIDS grants – representing 200 grantees and 21 funders – domestically and internationally (in Africa, Asia, Europe, and North and South America), including organizations based in China, Colombia, India, Jamaica, Russia, Tanzania, and Uganda.
- Tides HIV/AIDS grantmaking has generally grown since making the first grants in this issue area: from \$1.8M in 1997 to \$7.7M in 2010. Funding decreased from 2008 to 2009 – from \$4.6M to \$3.9M (15%) – a greater amount than compared with the HIV/AIDS field, as a whole (according to a Funders Concerned About AIDS report, the decline in funding from US-based philanthropies was 5%). However, from 2009 to 2010, HIV/AIDS funding rose dramatically from \$3.9M to \$7.7M, an almost two-fold increase.
- Of the 215 fiscally-sponsored projects of Tides, 14 (7%) serve people living with HIV/AIDS, though many more serve the HIV/AIDS community as part of a broader inclusive focus in health, community development and advocacy.
- Since 1997, Tides has been among the leading funders of syringe exchange HIV prevention work, granting more than \$13 million to support this proven prevention methodology. As an early funder of needle exchange programs, Tides supported dozens of grassroots groups [HK1] in both urban and rural communities devastated by the epidemic. As the field evolved, Tides grantmaking expanded to include state and national policy efforts to enable this life-saving work to continue.

Tides HIV/AIDS Partners

Significant HIV/AIDS Partners of Tides:

- **International Treatment Preparedness Coalition (ITPC, formerly the HIV Collaborative):**
 - Fund: Awarded 165 grants totaling \$1.6M in 2010 (approximately 20% of total Tides HIV/AIDS grants in 2010), and 937/\$8.5M since 2006. Grants for CBOs for HIV treatment advocacy and education projects, support for regional networks to share info, implement collaborative strategies, and provide technical assistance to grantees.

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- Project: Comprised of leading treatment advocates and educators from around the world. People living with HIV/AIDS are directly involved in leadership positions in all aspects of ITPC activities. The people involved in and priorities of ITPC reflect a deep understanding of HIV treatment need in every region, and a commitment to advance HIV treatment while also advancing the rights of women, youth, the poor, drug users, sex workers, men who have sex with men, prisoners, migrants, and other vulnerable populations.
- **HIV Young Leaders Fund** (fund and project): Provides small grants for youth-led initiatives that focus on addressing the needs of young people most-at-risk of HIV in their community, and the needs of young people living with HIV, including advocacy, peer-based education, care and support services and community mobilization. Granted 27/\$442K in 2010, its inaugural year.

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- **Africa Family Planning and HIV Integration:** Conceptualized with the Hewlett Foundation to leverage HIV/AIDS funding to support the family planning and reproductive health fields in sub-Saharan Africa that are serving the same populations as the HIV/AIDS providers. The goal of the fund is to identify, enhance, and analyze both existing structures and outcomes of integrated program models as well as promising efforts in the region. Awarded 5 grants totaling \$477K in 2010; 14/\$1.9M since 2008.
- **AIDS Relief Fund for China:** Dedicated to supporting broad-based HIV/AIDS prevention, care and treatment efforts in China. Through fundraising and effective grantmaking, they support individuals and organizations in China who are fighting HIV/AIDS, stand in solidarity with global efforts to end HIV stigma, and empower people living with HIV. Granted 6/\$59K in 2010; 84/\$364K since 2008.

HIV/AIDS Grantees of Tides:

- **Caribbean Vulnerable Communities** (Jamaica): 3 grants, \$57K in 2010; 7/\$115K since 2007
- **China HIV AIDS Information Network (CHAIN):** 4/\$40K; 5/\$48K since 2007
- **Global Network of People Living with HIV** (Netherlands): 2/\$93K in 2010
- **Svecha** (Russia): 2/\$38K in 2010; 10/\$188K since 2004
- **Uganda Young Positives:** 2 grants \$24K in 2010; 5/\$49K since 2006

HIV/AIDS Projects of Tides:

- **Africa Grantmakers' Affinity Group (AGAG):** A membership network of foundations that currently fund or are interested in funding in Africa. AGAG was established as a forum to promote increased and more effective grantmaking in Africa through building and sharing knowledge.
- **AIDS-Free World:** Works to improve and accelerate the global response to AIDS through direct advocacy and by supporting the advocacy efforts of organizations in AIDS-affected countries. The organization focuses primarily on Africa, and women's issues are central to all its work.
- **Center for Global Collaboration and Health Initiatives:** Promote equal and better health worldwide by advancing healthcare providers' understanding of diseases and conditions that affect global populations, increasing knowledge of the basic principles and practices of emergency medicine and public health, and promoting medical self-reliance in communities throughout the world.
- **The Condom Project (TCP):** The goal of TCP is to destigmatize condoms and to increase their use by working with local organizations and coordinators who use art, performance, and educational programs to effectively bring its message to infected, affected, and at-risk populations.

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- **National AIDS Memorial Grove:** The National AIDS Memorial Grove is a federally designated AIDS memorial, encompassing efforts to restore, create and perpetually maintain a 15-acre wooded site in San Francisco's Golden Gate Park.
- **Raising Voices:** Small, results-oriented organization based in Kampala, Uganda working to promote awareness about the vulnerability of young women to the threats of violence and HIV/AIDS. Work has been recognized by the World Health Organization, USAID, and the Center for Disease Control.