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NO ONE IS ALONE



Support **African Action on AIDS** and help improve the lives of aids orphans as well as other distressed children through stronger local communities.

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African Action on AIDS' Mission Statement

We Believe That No One Is Alone. We succeed when the youth we serve become agents of their own change and use their knowledge to change their communities.

We reach the youth of Sub-Saharan Africa whose lives are affected by AIDS.

We affirm that tomorrow's responsible parents are the knowledgeable youth of today.

We educate youth with the knowledge they need to stay alive, and teach them to share that knowledge with their peers.

We build extended family support networks in local villages and communities to deliver security, food, education and healthcare to children orphaned by AIDS.

We create healthcare awareness by funding and supervising schools, libraries, and access to AIDS testing, Educational camps and use of micro-finance to leverage human capital.

THE "JUST KNOW" CAMPAIGN

The guiding precept of **African Action on AIDS Inc.** is **KNOWLEDGE**.

Knowledge engenders confidence. With confidence and knowledge come the understanding that HIV/AIDS is not a death sentence, and not a condition to be ashamed of. Knowledge is the first step in stopping the spread of HIV/AIDS, because only through the informed action of each knowledgeable individual can the chain of HIV infection be broken.

The "Just Know" precept embraces five commitments that every individual can learn and apply to his or her everyday life:

- JUST KNOW: Be well informed about HIV/AIDS.
- GET TESTED ANNUALLY: If you do not know your status, you cannot act.
- IF FOUND HIV-NEGATIVE: Commit to remaining negative.
- 4. **IF FOUND HIV-POSITIVE**: Know that it is not a "death sentence" but a commitment to fight.
- 5. **IF FOUND HIV-POSITIVE**: Make the commitment never to infect someone else by following the steps for prevention.

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BURKINA FASO: Elementary Educational Programs, \$100 Per Year.





CAMEROON: Applied Knowledge, Youth Camp For Preventive AIDS Education.



SENEGAL: Individual Commitment Based On the "Just Know" Campaign.



CAMEROON: Healthy Local Communities, the Foundation of Orphan Support.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

African Action on AIDS (AAA) Inc., was created in 1991 to support children affected by aids in sub-Saharan Africa. Since then, more than 2000 orphans have successfully completed at least six years of school under its sponsorship. 50 have graduated from university or vocational schools. At the present time, more than 1000 orphans or distressed children in Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Ethiopia, Sierra-Leone, Senegal, Mali, Gabon are able to attend school full time, or have a school lunch every day, or get aids education through work camps thanks to AAA. By far, **African Action on AIDS** has surpassed its initial goal of sponsoring the education of 200 children by year 2000.

African Action on AIDS, Inc. currently oversees projects in local communities known as centres of excellence in the above-mentioned countries. The goal of these projects is to improve the lives of orphans and distressed children through critical activities in the areas of education, health, and nutrition. Applied knowledge includes aids education, counseling, testing and commitment at the individual level to stay aids free.

Strengthening local communities is the other important goal. Local communities are indeed the foundation of all sustained activities benefiting orphans. AAA therefore ensures that basic needs of these communities are met using entry-level micro-credit as an instrument that builds health before building wealth. Community networks are also encouraged and strengthened as important mobilization tools. They facilitate the sharing of experiences and help disseminate success stories, slowly building local confidence.

By helping them generate their own solutions instead of seeking outside assistance, they are led to discover, in the process, that they have resources to take care of their orphans and distressed children.

Resources transferred to them through your generous support will enhance their own by maximizing local resources and building local economies.

As the Executive Director of UNAIDS, Peter Piot rightly said: The only way the epidemic can be reversed is total mobilization: Leadership from above needs to meet the creativity and leadership from below.