

Walk for AIDS Silicon Valley Benefiting Organizations

AIDS Emergency Fund

A safety net providing financial assistance for basic necessities (e.g. telephone, medications) for clients who don't qualify for government assistance, or when funding is exhausted. Website: healthtrust.org

AIDS Legal Services

AIDS Legal Services (ALS) provides free legal representation to low-income individuals living with HIV/AIDS in the areas of confidentiality, consumer protection, disability rights, discrimination, employment, estate planning, housing, and public/private health and income benefits. Website: lawfoundation.org

AIDS Coalition Silicon Valley Education and Advocacy Project

Provides ongoing analysis, education and advocacy on issues of importance to the AIDS service agencies and people with AIDS of Silicon Valley. Website: WalkforAIDS.org

Asian Americans for Community Involvement

AACI's HIV/AIDS prevention/education program aims to reduce the incidence of HIV infection among Asian Pacific Islander immigrants in Santa Clara County. Program components include community outreach and advocacy, social and education support groups, individual education and counseling, HIV testing, and curriculum and manual development. Website: aaci.org

Billy DeFrank LGBT Community Center

Provides HIV/STD prevention and referral services to Silicon Valley through a unique Internet based HIV/STI prevention program and a pilot HIV counseling and testing program. Website: defrank.org

Bill Wilson Center HIV/AIDS Projects

Provides HIV prevention services to high-risk street youth, including gay and bisexual youth, sexually active youth, and youth who have been involved with drugs and/or survival sex. Through its Centre for Living with Dying Program, BWC provides support services for people infected/affected by HIV/AIDS, and through Centre Cares provides a 24/7 crisis line for people infected/affected by HIV/AIDS. Website: billwilsoncenter.org

The Health Trust AIDS Services

Nurses, social workers and benefits counselors serve individuals diagnosed with HIV/AIDS in Santa Clara County. Services include home care, food, transportation, emergency assistance, and housing. Website: healthtrust.org

Community Health Partnership: Transpowerment Program

The Community Health Partnership is a consortium of community clinics in Silicon Valley that works to strengthen the healthcare safety net for the medically underserved. The Transpowerment program works to prevent HIV among transgender persons and their partners in Santa Clara County. Website: chpscc.org

ProLatino of San Jose

A community service organization established in 1992 by a handful of volunteers as a direct result of neglect and non-existent HIV/AIDS services for the (GLBT) Latino Community in Santa Clara County. Provides culturally sensitive prevention, education and advocacy to the Latino population. Website: prolatino.org

What Is The Walk For AIDS?

The Walk for AIDS Silicon Valley is a 10-kilometer walk that raises money for HIV/AIDS service and prevention programs in our area. The Walk is the largest AIDS event in Santa Clara County with over 1,000 participants in recent years.

The Walk is needed because:

- There are more people living with AIDS in Santa Clara County Than ever before. Many of these people need help with medical care, food, housing and other essentials. There is no cure for HIV/AIDS.
- Hundreds of people become newly infected with HIV in our county every year, mostly young people. There is no vaccine for HIV so prevention education programs are the only way to stop new infections.
- The agencies that benefit from the Walk serve a majority of the people living with AIDS in Santa Clara County. They also reach tens of thousands of people with HIV prevention education information, many of whom are in the highest risk groups for new infections.
- These groups urgently need public support because government funding for local AIDS programs in our area has been significantly reduced over the last three years despite increased need.

How Can I Participate?

Anyone can participate in Walk for AIDS simply by using this form to gather donations and showing up to the event with these donations. However, we strongly urge you to let us know you are coming by registering at our website: WalkforAIDS.org. There is a minimum donation of \$20.

Once you have decided to participate you simply need to collect donations. (See tips inside this brochure), show up and walk.

The Walk will be fun. There will music, speakers, snacks and recognition for champion walkers including prizes from our in-kind donors. However, many Walkers find that it is even more fun to be part of a team made up of their coworkers or friends. We encourage you to create your own team if you would like. If you would like to have a team theme or wear a costume feel free to do so. Have fun. You are joining thousands of your neighbors in doing a good thing.

Where The Money Goes & The Difference It Makes

A \$500 donation could provide any of the following:

- One week of HIV education to hundreds of youth in Juvenile Hall
- Group support services to children from 5 to 18 who are affected or infected by HIV
- Direct legal services to 32 clients
- 20 hours of presentations by HIV speakers to teens
- 28 hours of street outreach to high-risk youth

A \$250 donation could provide any of the following:

- A training program for physicians and nurses treating persons with HIV and AIDS
- 15 hours of street outreach to high-risk youth
- Assistance for HIV/AIDS client with utilities: electricity, telephone, water, etc.
- Training of 25 HIV Peer Educators to prepare them for classroom and street outreach
- 25 HIV tests for outreach clients

A \$125 donation could provide any of the following:

- Counseling support for one individual for one year, on a one-to-one or group basis
- A three-hour workshop for at-risk youth
- 1,000 condoms for distribution to at-risk adults
- Street outreach to 60 teens
- Assistance for HIV/AIDS client with medications/health prescriptions



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