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PHYSICIAN DISEASE MANAGEMENT

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June 30, 1997

Via U.S. Mail and Facsimile (202) 632-1096, 2 Pages

Hon. Sandra Thurman
Director
Office of AIDS Policy
The White House
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Sandy:

I will be hosting a dinner on Wednesday, September 3, 1997 in Washington, DC and would be honored to have you attend and make a few introductory remarks on Medicaid and HIV/AIDS. The dinner will include about 100 leaders in Managed Care who will be attending the 2nd Annual Meeting of The Disease Management Congress. The Disease Management Congress is the largest organization in the country whose focus is on issues, technology, and services to health care payors, providers and patients with chronic diseases and health issues. Over the last several years, the focus in chronic diseases has primarily included Cancer, Asthma, Diabetes, Cardiac and HIV/AIDS.

The Disease Management Congress is part of the larger National Managed Health Care Congress, which for nearly ten years has been the leading voice in managed health care. Our recent national meeting in Washington had over 9,000 attendees.

The dinner meeting will focus specifically on HIV/AIDS and how payors can better understand and work with the changes in managing the disease and in working with patients and providers.

I hope that you would be able to make some introductory remarks to this prestigious group for about 5-7 minutes. The Congress has had many government officials speak in the past, and thus your participation would send an important message about the priority the Administration places on care and services to people living with HIV/AIDS.

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Federation for Community Planning

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June 16, 1997

Ms. Sandra Thurman
Director, Office on National AIDS Policy
750 17th Street, NW
Washington, DC 20503

Dear Ms. Thurman,

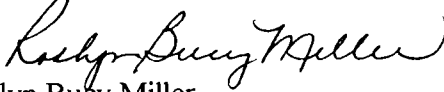
You are cordially invited to be a featured speaker at the **Second Annual World AIDS Day Conference** sponsored by the Ohio Department of Health HIV/STD Prevention Program and managed by the Federation for Community Planning. This conference, scheduled for **Monday, December 8 and Tuesday, December 9** at The Fawcett Center, in **Columbus, Ohio**, will address a variety of topics of concern to direct service providers in the HIV/STD field. We expect an attendance of approximately 250.

We hope you will accept our invitation to close the 1997 conference at its final plenary session on December 9, 12:30-1:30 p.m., immediately following lunch. You are, of course, invited to attend all aspects of the conference which include plenary sessions, breakout workshops, and continental breakfast and lunch on both days. A draft schedule is enclosed for your information.

In order to enable service providers to attend this conference at no charge to themselves or their agencies, it is critical that expenses be kept at a minimum. However, we are pleased to offer you a modest honorarium, travel reimbursement, and lodging for the nights of December 7 and 8. If you accept our invitation and have materials to distribute as part of your presentation, we would be happy to either reimburse the cost of duplication or duplicate them for you.

I hope to hear from you soon and learn that you will play an important role in Ohio's Second Annual World AIDS Day Conference. You are most welcome to call me at (216) 781-2944 ext. 511. Thank you for considering this invitation.

Sincerely,


Roslyn Bucy Miller
Community Relations Director

614 W. Superior Ave., Suite 300, Cleveland, OH 44113 Phone (216) 781-2944 FAX (216) 781-2988

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PLANNING FOR 1997 WORLD AIDS DAY CONFERENCE
December 8-9, 1997

SCHEDULE*

DAY 1 (8am-6pm)

8-8:30 Registration/Continental Breakfast

8:30-8:45 Greetings

William Ryan, Director of Health, ODH
Juliet Dorris-Mason, Program Chief,
HIV/STD Prevention, ODH

8:45-9:30

Keynote Address: *Behavior Change*

(Break)

9:45-11:45 Concurrent Sessions (6)

(Break)

12-12:30 Lunch (& candlelighting)

12:30-1:30 Luncheon Address: *STD*

(Break)

1:45-3:45 Concurrent Sessions (6)

(Break)

4:00-5:00 Plenary Session: *Youth*

5:00 Adjourn Day 1 of Conference
Angela Street, ODH

5:00-6:00 Reception

DAY 2 (8am-1:45pm)

8-8:30 Registration/Continental Breakfast

8:30-9:30 Keynote Address: *Motivational*

(Break)

9:45-11:45 Concurrent Sessions (6)

(Break)

12-12:30 Lunch

12:30-1:30 Luncheon Address:
National Perspective
SANDRA THURMAN?

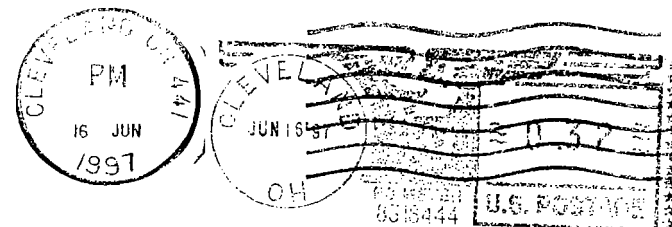
1:30-1:45 Concluding Remarks
Juliet Dorris-Mason

****CONCURRENT SESSIONS: 9 different topics, each to be repeated once throughout the conference. Presentation schedule to be determined based on speaker availability. This schedule will be accredited by the Federation for 11 credit hours of continuing education for Licensed Social Workers. Certificates of Attendance will be available for others.***

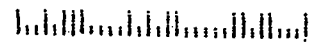


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Washington, DC 20503



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AIDS SERVICES of Austin

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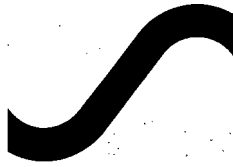
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AIDS SERVICES OF AUSTIN

May 30, 1997

Ms. Sandra Thurman, Director
White House Office National AIDS Policy
808 17th Street, NW, 8th Floor
Washington, D. C., 20006

Dear Ms. Thurman,

I am writing to you in the capacity of the coordinator of AIDS Walk Austin, in Austin, Texas. Our friend here, Tom Henderson, has suggested to me that you might be willing to participate in our AIDS Walk ceremonies on October 19, 1997. To be able to tout someone of your profile, as one of the speakers, would be a great boost to the promotion of our "Walk".

We would ask you to speak for eight to twelve minutes between 1:00 and 2:00 P. M. (Walk begins at 2:00) and also, to be available for media interviews for, perhaps, an hour before that time. You would also be invited to be part of the "human ribbon" that is traditionally "cut" at the beginning of the Walk. The event usually attracts around 6,000 people.

The annual budget of AIDS Services of Austin averages \$3,000,000, of which 45% is public grants. These annual grants include Ryan White (over \$914,000), HOPWA (over \$314,000) and Ryan White III (over \$65,000). The remaining 55%, of our budget, must be raised locally. This will be our tenth "Walk" and still, we are here, struggling against this terrible disease. We hope to make this, the tenth anniversary, a special commemorative event of remembrance and rededication.

Please find fact sheets enclosed which will give you more information about the scope of our pledge walk and the services provided by our agency. We would be very honored to have you participate. If I may provide further information, please so advise me. The telephone number is (512) 406-6115 and the facsimile number is (512) 452-3299.

Sincerely

Dick Dickerson
AIDS Walk Coordinator
AIDS Services of Austin

cc: Garry Mauro
Thomas Henderson



P.O. BOX 4874
AUSTIN, TEXAS 78765
BUSINESS OFFICE (512) 451-2273
INFORMATION/REFERRAL (512) 458-AIDS
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FAX (512) 452-FAXX



AIDS SERVICES OF AUSTIN

AIDS Walk Austin FACT AND INFORMATION SHEET

- WHAT:** AIDS Walk Austin
The 10th annual pledge walk.
Benefiting AIDS care, education and related services
- ORGANIZER:** AIDS Services of Austin
- WHEN/WHERE:** Sunday, October 19, 1997
Waterloo Park (12th & Trinity Street)
Registration starts at Noon
Walk begins at 3:00 p.m.
- ATTENDANCE:** Estimated number of participants, over 5000 walkers and supporters
- SPONSORS:** (1996) Miller LITE, Tramex Travel, KVUE-Channel 24, KLBJ-93.7 FM, Austin American-Statesman, Lotus, Austin CableVision, The Austin Chronicle, Radian, Tracor, Bank of America, Seton Home Care, Starbuck's, The Finish Line, H-E-B, AT&T Wireless Services and many others.
- SHARING AGENCIES:** (1996) AIDS Services of Austin receives 75% of the net proceeds of the walk. In the spirit of cooperation, the other 25% of the net proceeds will be shared with the following organizations:
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| Advocacy Outreach | Hospice Austin |
| ALLGO./Informe-SIDA | Out Youth Austin |
| Austin Center for Attitudinal Healing | People's Community Clinic |
| Austin Harm Reduction Coalition | Planned Parenthood of Austin |
| ATC MHMR C.A.R.E. Program | Positive Threads |
| CEACO | Project Transitions, Inc. |
| Christopher House | University YWCA |
| Community Action Inc. (Rural AIDS Services Program) | Waterloo Counseling Center |
| HIV Wellness Center | InterACT |

**FOR MORE INFORMATION REGARDING THIS YEAR'S WALK
CALL 452-WALK
DICK DICKERSON, WALK COORDINATOR**

AIDS SERVICES OF AUSTIN'S MISSION STATEMENT

*AIDS Services of Austin provides quality services to persons with AIDS-related illnesses and to their loved ones.
AIDS Services of Austin also educates all segments of the public about AIDS and the prevention of Human Immunodeficiency Virus.*



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AIDS SERVICES OF AUSTIN

AIDS Walk Austin History

Walk Coordinator

1988 - Jane Wells, Development Director
1989, 1990, 1991 - Dara Gray, Development Director
1992, 1993, 1994 - Kathy Taylor, Walk Coordinator
1995 - Karen McMillian - Walk Coordinator
1996, 1997 - Dick Dickerson - Walk Coordinator

Division of Past Proceeds

Year	Total Proceeds	AIDS Walk Austin Share	Amount Shared
1988	\$ 93,000	6	\$11,114
1989	\$105,000	10	\$17,380
1990	\$130,669	8	\$23,740
1991	\$178,000	11	\$33,699
1992	\$275,000	15	\$50,273
1993	\$302,892	16	\$54,351
1994	\$315,588	15	\$57,600
1995	\$253,000	18	\$44,280
1996	\$235,000	18	\$45,750

Since it's inception in 1988, the Walk has shared 25% of the net proceeds with other local organizations providing HIV/AIDS education and/or direct care services. The amount distributed to the "sharing agencies" is divided equally among each organization.

From 1988-1991, the ceremonies were held on the south lawn of the State Capitol, with the approval of the State Preservation Board. From 1992 to the present the ceremonies have been held in Waterloo Park (12th & Red River) with the cooperation of the City of Austin Parks & Recreation Department. From All Walks of Life became AIDS Walk '96 in 1996 and AIDS Walk Austin in 1997.

AIDS Walk Austin is a successful effort that involves the entire community and serves as our largest opportunity to promote AIDS awareness. It also has the distinction of being one of the largest AIDS Walks produced by a team of volunteers.

The AIDS Walk ceremonies include live music, comedy, moving speeches and the announcement of dollar totals for the entire event as well as for individual and team winners. Our goal, this year, is not only to continue the tradition of caring, remembrance, dedication and love, but also to increase revenue from the event in order that we may assist more people living with HIV/AIDS. Please, won't you help us?





AIDS SERVICES OF AUSTIN
AIDS SERVICES OF AUSTIN
FACT SHEET

AIDS affects all parts of our community and continues to be the greatest public health crisis that we face. For 10 years, AIDS Services of Austin has responded to this crisis in the Austin community. AIDS Services of Austin provides compassionate direct-care services to people living with HIV and AIDS and timely HIV prevention education to the Austin community. Although recent progress in the treatment of HIV disease is encouraging, many issues remain to be addressed. The "protease inhibitors" and "drug cocktails" do not work for everyone and are extremely expensive, costing \$15,000 to \$20,000 a year. Most importantly, these treatments are still very new and the long-term effects are unknown. While we are beginning to see glimmers of hope, they are only glimmers.

DIRECT CARE SERVICES:

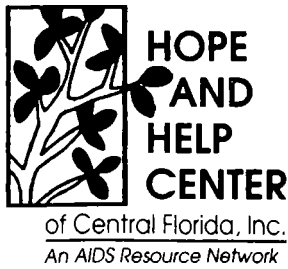
* Direct care services to HIV+ persons	639 persons/mo.
* Volunteers for emotional support and practical assistance	1,150 hours/mo.
* Food Bank	225 persons/wk.
* Dental Clinic	300 visits/mo.
* Legal services	35-40 requests/mo.
* Emergency financial assistance with rent, utilities, medical insurance premiums, etc.	227 requests filled/mo. (\$39,190/mo.)
* Transportation Services	106 rides/mo.
* Aerosol Pentamidine treatments	35 persons/mo.
* Nurse aide care	20 persons/mo.
* Information and Referral for HIV+ persons	118 contacts/mo.

EDUCATION SERVICES:

* People reached directly by prevention education	1,810 persons/mo.
* Information Referral Service and Inside Line	761 calls/mo.
* Speakers bureau and workplace education	734 persons/mo.
* Wellness education on HIV disease	55 persons/mo.
* Distribution of AIDS education literature	1,300 pieces/mo.
* HIV education multicultural communities	315 people/mo.
* Extensive media information on HIV prevention and AIDS issues	

AIDS Services of Austin is a non-profit, tax-exempt human service agency. Our mission is to provide quality direct services to persons with HIV disease and their loved ones and to provide accurate and timely AIDS prevention information to the public. AIDS Services of Austin is governed by a nineteen-member Board of Directors, which is broadly representative of the Austin community. The agency utilizes over 600 trained volunteers.

Your support is still very much needed.



June 4, 1997

Mr. Daniel Montoya, Executive Director
Office of National AIDS Policy
808 17th Street NW
8th Floor
Washington, DC 20009
VIA FAX: (202) 632-1096

Dear Mr. Montoya:

Thank you for taking your time to speak with me on the telephone last month in regards to Ms. Thurman's scheduling procedures. As per your request, I am faxing you a copy of our letter of request. I do apologize for the delay of this information.

You will be receiving a hard copy in the mail in the next few days. If you should have any questions, please do not hesitate to call me at (407) 645-2577, extension 22.

Thanks again for your time and consideration. I look forward to following up with you next week to insure your receipt of our information.

Sincerely,

Mary Beth Fleck
Development Director

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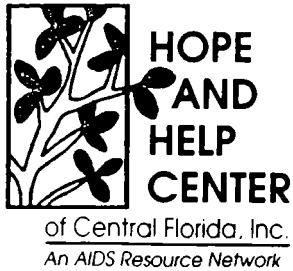
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(407) 645-2577
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1935 Woodcrest Drive, Winter Park, Florida 32792

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No
[Signature]



June 3, 1997

Ms. Sandra Thurman, AIDS Czar
Office of National AIDS Policy
808 17th Street NW
8th Floor
Washington, DC 20009

Dear Ms. Thurman:

Congratulations on your newly appointed position. Our Executive Director, Debbie Sanders and I were pleased to have had the opportunity to hear you speak at the National AIDS Fundraising Conference in April.

I am writing with a request to have you attend our 8th Annual Headdress Ball scheduled for Saturday, September 13, 1997. This is our formal black-tie event, in which we will attempt to raise \$115, 000 for our agency. We would be honored to have you provide our welcome address to our guests that evening. This would require 5 - 10 minutes of your time on stage.

In speaking with Daniel Montoya, he suggested that in our invitation we include an opportunity for you to meet with the other local AIDS service organizations. We would be happy to arrange any type of meeting schedule for you on your trip to Orlando. We would handle all planning and logistics. There are 5 local AIDS service organizations in the Central Florida area. We could include AIDS service organizations from nearby counties as well to insure the maximum amount of exposure.

Enclosed you will find information regarding our agency and event. If you should have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (407) 645-2577, extension 22.

Thank you for your time and consideration. And I look forward to contacting you next week to confirm your commitment.

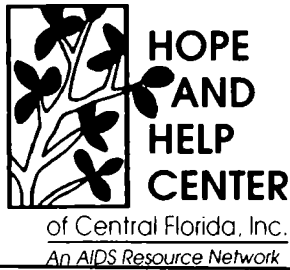
Sincerely,

Mary Beth Fleck
Development Director

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Enclosures

cc: Daniel Montoya, Executive Director, Office of National AIDS Policy
Debbie Sanders, Executive Director, Hope and Help Center of Central Florida, Inc.
Kevin Dickey, Headdress Ball VIII Chairperson



HEADDRESS BALL VIII

"Going Back to Our Roots"

September 13, 1997
Renaissance Orlando Resort
Orlando, FL

The Headdress Ball, first known as Night Blooming, originated in 1990 by Hope and Help Volunteers; Sam Ewing and Hattie Wolfe. Attended by a hand full of friends and donors of the Hope and Help Center, this floral headdress competition was held at the Beacham Theatre in Downtown Orlando.

Now in its eighth year, Headdress Ball has grown to become the most unique and premier dining and entertainment experience in Central Florida. Picture this...1,000 guests enjoy an evening of color, music and lights that includes a gourmet dinner, headdress competition with flamboyant and exotic headpieces, and a live auction...all to raise money to help fight against HIV/AIDS.

For our previous productions, we have given the Headdress Ball a theme, such as, "Mardi Gras" or "Comedie Burlesque". This year, we are returning the originating concept and idea of the Headdress Ball. Local contestants will provide the headdresses to be worn by female impersonators and performers. Each year the production promises to be even more outrageous than the year before making Headdress Ball the event of the season.

Individual Tickets - \$100
Tables of 10 - \$1000
Sponsorships Available

For more information, please contact Mary Beth Fleck, Development Director at
407.645.2577.

Mission

The Hope and Help Center of Central Florida, Inc. is a 501(c)(3) information, referral and resource agency for anyone affected by HIV (Human Immunodeficiency Virus) or AIDS (Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome).

We promote understanding, dignity and compassion for all people affected by HIV disease, and offer them both hope and help.

We provide a network of community referrals and support services to meet the physical, psychological, and financial needs of infected and affected individuals.

We are facing a mountain.

*Welfare assumes that it must
move the whole mountain.*

*Education assumes that it must
move the whole mountain.*

*Healthcare assumes that it must
move the whole mountain.*

*If each of us picks a shovel,
together we can move the
mountain.*

~Leland Kaiser

Client Services

Case Management
Food Pantry
Transportation
Wellness Support Groups
Emergency Financial Assistance
Holistic Services
Buddy & Hospital Visitation
Free Hair Care Services
Free Massage Therapy
Pet Care - Koala Center

Education

Monthly Newsletter
Community Coordinated Speakers' Bureau
HOPE Club Teen Program
People Living with HIV Disease Panels
Parenting Classes
Health Fairs
Strictly Positive Wellness Conference
AIDS in the Workplace
Clearinghouse
Safer Sex Seminars
Youth Summit

Development

AIDS WALK Orlando
Headdress Ball
Sunday Soiree
Hope & Light
Night of 1,000 Stars
Designer Showhouse
Annual Campaign
Planned Giving
Memorials
Grants

Membership

We encourage monthly pledges of any amount; all pledges and donations are tax deductible and receipts are provided.

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and information regarding
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**Hope and Help Center
of Central Florida, Inc.
1935 Woodcrest Drive
Winter Park, FL 32792**

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Did you know...

...that HIV infection has become the leading
cause of death among persons aged 25-44
(both sexes and all races combined) in the
United States.

...Florida ranks #2 in the U.S. for total num-
ber of children with AIDS.

...as yet there is no cure for AIDS, but that
infection with HIV is preventable.

...Hope & Help annually provides:

- 1,260 food pantry assists
- 18,000 newsletters
- 40 parenting classes
- 45 PLWA panels
- Over 100,000 miles of transportation
- 2,808 hours of visitation
- Education to 20,000 adults/teens/pre-teens
- 372 free massages
- 204 free hair cuts
- Support Groups for 3,640 participants



of Central Florida, Inc.

**1935 Woodcrest Drive
Winter Park
Florida 32792**

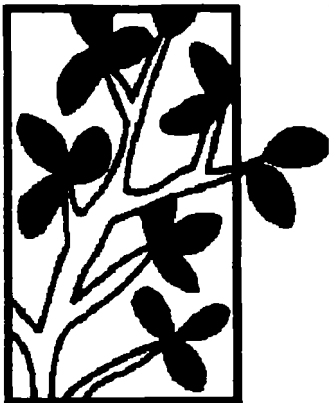
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HOPE AND HELP NEWSLETTER

June 1997

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On February 8, 1998, Hope and Help will celebrate its 10th anniversary as an AIDS Support Organization. With the anniversary approaching, the Board of Directors and Staff of the center have adopted a revised mission statement. A mission statement is the driving force behind an agency's policies and procedures. The statement also sets the tone for the attitude and atmosphere of an agency. The newly adopted mission statement reads:



The Hope and Help Center of Central Florida, Inc. is a 501(c)(3) information, community referral, and resource agency for people with HIV (Human Immunodeficiency Virus) Disease or AIDS (Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome) and a source of education and outreach to the affected community.

We promote understanding, dignity, and compassion for all people affected by HIV disease, and offer them both hope and help.

Having been associated with Hope and Help since March 1990, I feel confident that the revised mission statement is an appropriate union between our beginnings as a small grassroots agency with two employees and our growth to an agency offering varied services to thousands of people annually. I don't know for sure what the next 10 years or even the next 5 years will bring. Whatever challenge is placed before us, we will meet head on with the mission in mind. Our mission statement emphasizes the primary motivator of Hope and Help; our clients, embraced in the attitude and atmosphere that has become the hallmark of our agency....a place to go for both hope and help.

Take care...

Debbie

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THE NEW YORK HOSPITAL - CORNELL MEDICAL CENTER

MICHAEL F. GIORDANO, M.D.

(212) 746-2397

INTERNAL MEDICINE
INTERNATIONAL MEDICINE & INFECTIOUS DISEASES

To: Sandy Thurman

From: The Cornell Clinical Trials Unit and AmFAR

Date: June 2, 1997

Re: Luncheon (b)(6)

[00/9]

At the suggestion of Peter Pappas, Dr. Michael Giordano and Dr. Mathilde Krim would be honored to have you attend a luncheon for (b)(6). This remarkable woman is an inspiration to us all in her courage and strength throughout her treatment for HIV infection. Your presence at this luncheon would be a strong statement of our support (b)(6).

Following is a copy of the invitation. Dr. Giordano will follow-up with a phone call to answer any questions you might have. Thank you.

cc: Daniel Montoya



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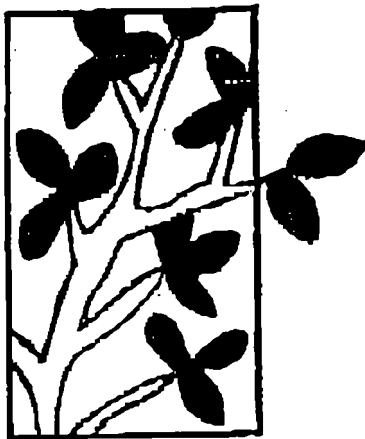
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**Dr. Michael Giordano and The Cornell Clinical Trials Unit
and
Dr. Mathilde Krim and The American Foundation for AIDS Research
request the pleasure of your company
at a Luncheon
in honor of
[redacted] (b)(6) [001b]
on Friday, June Sixth
from twelve noon to two o'clock
The home of Dr. Mathilde Krim
33 East 69th Street (Between Madison and Park)
New York City**

**RSVP by Monday, June 2, 1997
(212) 746-4177**



Hope and Help Center
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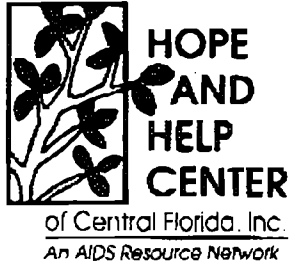
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June 4, 1997

Mr. Daniel Montoya, Executive Director
Office of National AIDS Policy
808 17th Street NW
8th Floor
Washington, DC 20009
VIA FAX: (202) 632-1096

Dear Mr. Montoya:

Thank you for taking your time to speak with me on the telephone last month in regards to Ms. Thurman's scheduling procedures. As per your request, I am faxing you a copy of our letter of request. I do apologize for the delay of this information.

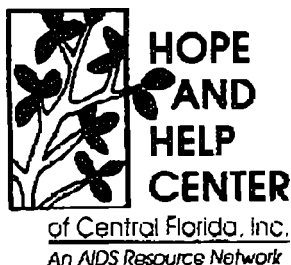
You will be receiving a hard copy in the mail in the next few days. If you should have any questions, please do not hesitate to call me at (407) 645-2577, extension 22.

Thanks again for your time and consideration. I look forward to following up with you next week to insure your receipt of our information.

Sincerely,

Mary Beth Fleck
Development Director

MBF/ga



June 3, 1997

Ms. Sandra Thurman, AIDS Czar
Office of National AIDS Policy
808 17th Street NW
8th Floor
Washington, DC 20009

Dear Ms. Thurman:

Congratulations on your newly appointed position. Our Executive Director, Debbie Sanders and I were pleased to have had the opportunity to hear you speak at the National AIDS Fundraising Conference in April.

I am writing with a request to have you attend our 8th Annual Headdress Ball scheduled for Saturday, September 13, 1997. This is our formal black-tie event, in which we will attempt to raise \$115,000 for our agency. We would be honored to have you provide our welcome address to our guests that evening. This would require 5 - 10 minutes of your time on stage.

In speaking with Daniel Montoya, he suggested that in our invitation we include an opportunity for you to meet with the other local AIDS service organizations. We would be happy to arrange any type of meeting schedule for you on your trip to Orlando. We would handle all planning and logistics. There are 5 local AIDS service organizations in the Central Florida area. We could include AIDS service organizations from nearby counties as well to insure the maximum amount of exposure.

Enclosed you will find information regarding our agency and event. If you should have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (407) 645-2577, extension 22.

Thank you for your time and consideration. And I look forward to contacting you next week to confirm your commitment.

Sincerely,

Mary Beth Fleck
Development Director

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Enclosures

cc: Daniel Montoya, Executive Director, Office of National AIDS Policy
Debbie Sanders, Executive Director, Hope and Help Center of Central Florida, Inc.
Kevin Dickey, Headdress Ball VIII Chairperson



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An AIDS Resource Network

HEADDRESS BALL VIII

"Going Back to Our Roots"

September 13, 1997
Renaissance Orlando Resort
Orlando, FL

The Headdress Ball, first known as Night Blooming, originated in 1990 by Hope and Help Volunteers; Sam Ewing and Hattie Wolfe. Attended by a hand full of friends and donors of the Hope and Help Center, this floral headdress competition was held at the Beacham Theatre in Downtown Orlando.

Now in its eighth year, Headdress Ball has grown to become the most unique and premier dining and entertainment experience in Central Florida. Picture this...1,000 guests enjoy an evening of color, music and lights that includes a gourmet dinner, headdress competition with flamboyant and exotic headpieces, and a live auction...all to raise money to help fight against HIV/AIDS.

For our previous productions, we have given the Headdress Ball a theme, such as, "Mardi Gras" or "Comedie Burlesque". This year, we are returning the originating concept and idea of the Headdress Ball. Local contestants will provide the headdresses to be worn by female impersonators and performers. Each year the production promises to be even more outrageous than the year before making Headdress Ball the event of the season.

Individual Tickets - \$100
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Sponsorships Available

For more information, please contact Mary Beth Fleck, Development Director at
407.645.2577.

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National AIDS Policy

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From: Michelle A. Leverett, D.D.
Baltimore County Department of Health

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June 3, 1997

Ms. Sandra Thurman
Director of AIDS Policy Office
808 17th Street, NW
Washington, D.C. 20006

Dear Ms. Thurman:

On behalf of the Baltimore County Department of Health and the Student S.A.F.E. (Stopping AIDS For Everyone) Advisory, I am pleased to invite you to be Keynote Speaker at the 1997 S.A.F.E. Student AIDS Conference, which will take place Thursday, October 23, 1997, at Towson University, in the University Union Building from 7:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

The S.A.F.E. Conference is part of the wide range of medical, social work, prevention, and education services provided by the Department of Health's HIV/AIDS Division to support individuals and families affected by HIV and help stop the spread of HIV and AIDS. The S.A.F.E. Conference was created to promote peer-to-peer education by providing accurate, timely information about HIV, along with support for student-led activities promoting personal responsibility. Now in its fifth year, this Conference has led to the formation of S.A.F.E. Clubs in more than a dozen county high schools, and the Student S.A.F.E. Advisory, a group of club officers that are actively involved in the Conference, and the annual Department of Health World AIDS Day Candlelight Vigil, as well as other educational activities in individual schools.

We would be honored if you accept this invitation, and will work with your office to schedule your remarks at a time convenient for you. However, because of the need for students to meet school buses, it would be best if you could speak before the lunch break at noon.

Thank you for considering this invitation to address a group of young people whose interest in stopping the spread of HIV could be further encouraged by your support.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "Michelle A. Leverett, MD". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the initials "MD" clearly visible at the end.

Michelle A. Leverett, MD
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Thanks.

Memo:

Daniel -

I've mailed the accompanying letter
to Mrs. Gruman - at Thomas Henderson's
request. I thought I should let you know.
By the way - we have a mutual friend -
Adriana Cuellar - she's a favorite of mine.
Please confirm that you received this.

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May 30, 1997

Ms. Sandra Thurman, Director
White House Office National AIDS Policy
808 17th Street, NW, 8th Floor
Washington, D. C., 20006

Dear Ms. Thurman,

I am writing to you in the capacity of the coordinator of AIDS Walk Austin, in Austin, Texas. Our friend here, Tom Henderson, has suggested to me that you might be willing to participate in our AIDS Walk ceremonies on October 19, 1997. To be able to tout someone of your profile, as one of the speakers, would be a great boost to the promotion of our "Walk".

We would ask you to speak for eight to twelve minutes between 1:00 and 2:00 P. M. (Walk begins at 2:00) and also, to be available for media interviews for, perhaps, an hour before that time. You would also be invited to be part of the "human ribbon" that is traditionally "cut" at the beginning of the Walk. The event usually attracts around 6,000 people.

The annual budget of AIDS Services of Austin averages \$3,000,000, of which 45% is public grants. These annual grants include Ryan White (over \$914,000), HOPWA (over \$314,000) and Ryan White III (over \$65,000). The remaining 55% of our budget, must be raised locally. This will be our tenth "Walk" and still, we are here, struggling against this terrible disease. We hope to make this, the tenth anniversary, a special commemorative event of remembrance and rededication.

Please find fact sheets enclosed which will give you more information about the scope of our pledge walk and the services provided by our agency. We would be very honored to have you participate. If I may provide further information, please so advise me. The telephone number is (512) 406-6115 and the facsimile number is (512) 452-3299.

Sincerely



Dick Dickerson
AIDS Walk Coordinator
AIDS Services of Austin

cc: Garry Mauro
Thomas Henderson

Office of
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Natl Black Leadership Commission on AIDS

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Debra Fraser-Howze

May 20, 1997

Ms. Sandra Thurman
c/o Office of National AIDS Policy
750 Seventeenth Street, N.W., Suite 600
Washington, DC 20503

Dear Sandra:

I am delighted to inform you that Ms. Aretha Franklin will headline a gala gospel concert to benefit the National Black Leadership Commission on AIDS (BLCA) on Friday, June 20, 1997 at 8:00 P.M. Avery Fisher Hall, Lincoln Center, New York, New York. Ms. Franklin's concert for BLCA will inaugurate her national "Aretha's Gospel Crusade for AIDS".

Needless to say, my staff and I are excited and honored by Ms. Franklin's support. I am especially proud that this extraordinary gift comes to BLCA in our tenth year of service to our communities. We have come a long way; however, as we all know too well, we have a long way yet to go. I know that this concert will provide BLCA with both the funds and the support necessary to help us to prepare communities of color for the serious challenges that AIDS and other important public health issues will present in the next millennium.

I have enclosed an invitation for the June 20th concert. I hope that you will be able to join me as fellow members of our BLCA family on this special evening as Ms. Franklin and her guest gospel vocalists make a joyous noise unto the Lord. If you can make it, please let me know as soon as possible so that I can reserve a special seat for you.

Your support of BLCA and our mission is invaluable to me. For that, I thank you. I look forward to seeing you on June 20th.

Sincerely,

Debra Fraser-Howze
President/CEO

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Enclosure