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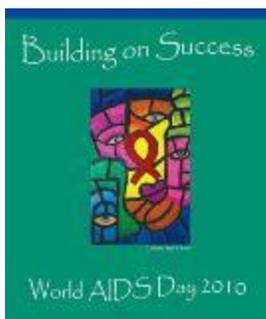
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WORLD AIDS DAY 2010

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World AIDS Day, first observed in 1988 after a summit of health ministers from around the world called for a spirit of social tolerance and a greater exchange of information on HIV/AIDS, is commemorated every year on December 1. This worldwide effort is designed to: encourage public support and programming to prevent the spread of HIV infection; provide awareness and education about HIV/AIDS; and demonstrate compassion for those infected or affected by HIV.



The U.S. is working with its partners around the world to turn the tide against HIV/AIDS through the [U.S. President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief](#) (PEPFAR), the cornerstone of President Obama's Global Health Initiative (GHI). This year, the U.S. Government is promoting the theme "Building on Success" which reflects the idea that people have a shared responsibility to build on the success to make smart investments that will ultimately save more lives.

SPECIAL MESSAGES ON WORLD AIDS DAY FROM U.S. GOVERNMENT

[Presidential Proclamation on World AIDS Day](#) (November 30, 2010) - "On this World AIDS Day, as we approach the thirtieth year of the HIV/AIDS pandemic, we reflect on the many Americans and others around the globe lost to this devastating disease, and pledge our support to the 33 million people worldwide who live with HIV/AIDS. We also recommit to building on the great strides made in fighting HIV, to preventing the spread of the disease, to continuing our efforts to combat stigma and discrimination, and to finding a cure." Read the full transcript [here](#).

[President Barack Obama's World AIDS Day Message](#) (November 30, 2010) - President Obama commemorates World AIDS Day 2010 and highlights the ways in which his Administration is combating the global HIV/AIDS epidemic. View video [here](#).

[Statement by U.S. Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton on World AIDS Day 2010](#) (December 1, 2010) - "The Obama administration has made the fight against AIDS central to the Global Health Initiative, our commitment to strengthening global health systems and implementing sustainable solutions to improve the health of entire communities. One major focus of the Global Health Initiative is strengthening our partnerships around the world so they reflect and reinforce the global effort needed to defeat AIDS." Read the full statement [here](#).

[Statement by Ambassador Susan E. Rice, U.S. Permanent Representative to the United Nations, on World AIDS Day](#) (December 1, 2010) - "On World AIDS Day, we honor those who are living with HIV/AIDS and remember those who have been lost. In their honor, I join President Obama in reaffirming America's commitment to leading the global fight against this deadly disease." Read the full transcript [here](#).

BUILDING ON SUCCESS



[Thailand and America Building on Success in Fighting AIDS](#) - On November 28, Deputy Chief of Mission Judith B. Cefkin attended the opening ceremony of the World AIDS Day event sponsored by the Thai Ministry of Public Health at Jatujak Market. The U.S. Embassy was one of ten booths reserved for organizations that perform HIV/AIDS-related work. To learn more about the U.S. government's involvement in HIV projects in Thailand, please read the Op-ed by Ambassador Eric G. John. [[English](#) | [Thai](#)]

[Smart Investments: Building on Success](#) (November 15, 2010) - "On this World AIDS Day, we honor the lives lost and celebrate the lives saved, but we do not dare rest. Working together, we must remain dedicated to building on success by making smart investments to save even more lives." Read the message from Ambassador Eric Goosby on World AIDS Day [here](#).



[National HIV/AIDS Strategy for the United States](#) (On July 13, 2010) - The White House released the National HIV/AIDS Strategy (NHAS). This ambitious plan is the nation's first-ever comprehensive coordinated HIV/AIDS roadmap with clear and measurable targets to be achieved by 2015. Read the full report [here](#). [PDF format; 1.34MB; 60 pages]

WORKING TOGETHER TO FIGHT AIDS

[UNAIDS 2010 Report on the Global AIDS Epidemic](#) - The 2010 edition of the UNAIDS Report on the global AIDS epidemic includes new country by country scorecards on key issues facing the AIDS response. Based on the latest data from 182 countries, this global reference book provides comprehensive analysis on the AIDS epidemic and response. For the first time the report includes trend data on incidence from more than 60 countries. Read the report [here](#). [PDF format; 3.69MB; 364 pages]



[New Hope and Direction for HIV Prevention](#) (November 23, 2010) - The National Institutes of Health announced findings on recent HIV prevention research. The study finds that a daily dose of an oral antiretroviral drug taken by HIV-negative gay and bisexual men reduced the risk of acquiring HIV infection by 43.8 percent, and had even higher rates of effectiveness, up to 73 percent, among those participants who adhered most closely to the daily drug regimen. Read the statement of President Obama welcomes new HIV prevention research results [here](#).

[A Step Forward in HIV Prevention](#) (November 24, 2010) - President Obama hailed an important new development in the fight against HIV/AIDS: the findings of the iPrEx study on pre-exposure prophylaxis (PrEP) with antiretroviral drugs (ARVs) for HIV prevention. Read DipNote by Ambassador Eric Goosby [here](#).

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