



## Tucson Interfaith HIV/AIDS Network

a compassionate interfaith response to HIV/AIDS

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Dear Friends,

On behalf of all of us at TIHAN, I want to thank you and the members of St. Philip's in the Hills Episcopal Church for your generous donation of \$250.00 in support of TIHAN and those we serve.

As you know, AIDS is a difficult issue for many to address, especially within our faith communities. With an estimated 2,500 persons in Pima County presently living with HIV, TIHAN is committed to addressing the fears and stigma surrounding this disease.

For too many years of this health crisis, our religious community was hesitant to respond. Now, through TIHAN, many are responding--people of faith such as those at St. Philip's in the Hills Episcopal Church whose hearts and lives have been touched by HIV.

The Tucson Interfaith HIV/AIDS Network is an amazing coalition of people and congregations from diverse faith backgrounds uniting for a common purpose: *preventing the spread of HIV infection, providing compassionate care for those infected and affected, and catalyzing the religious community to provide an informed and compassionate response to the AIDS crisis.*

TIHAN reaches thousands of people through our education and awareness programs in congregations throughout southern Arizona. We have trained CareTeam volunteers who have provided thousands of hours of compassionate assistance to people living with HIV/AIDS in Tucson. TIHAN has also served hundreds through Poz Cafe, our monthly lunch and social program for HIV+ persons, as well as through our weekly Poz Breakfast program. We do all this—and more—with a minimal paid staff, 200 wonderful volunteers, and a modest budget.

Just as you are well aware of the challenges that face us in this work, I hope that you are also aware of the great impact that you make through your financial support:

- Your support allows us to provide HIV education and awareness programs so that people can get the information they need to stay uninfected, the information they need to talk with their families about HIV, and the information they need to have compassion upon people who are living with HIV.
- Your financial support allows us to provide training, supervision, and support to our volunteers, who visit homes throughout Tucson providing love and support to people living with HIV/AIDS.

For this gift, for the gift of volunteers from St. Philip's in the Hills Episcopal Church, and for the prayers and support of your Church, we are exceedingly grateful. Please convey our thanks to the members of the entire congregation!

With love and gratitude,

  
Scott Blades  
Executive Director

*Thank you!*

The value of goods and services received in return for this contribution is \$0.00.

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