



Douglas County AIDS Project

2009

Annual Report

Message From the Executive Director

The overall impression is that 2009 has been a rough year. As the recession deepened and unemployment continued to rise, we were proud to continue providing excellent services for individuals living with – or at risk for – HIV/AIDS.

In 2009, the agency's client care staff worked as a great team to provide direct services to our consumers. Two new grants were awarded for a total of \$42,000 for extended staff hours and a client nutrition program. Our HIV prevention efforts engaged minorities and youth in an effort to minimize the disproportional rates of HIV infection in these groups. We tested 288 people for HIV, an increase of 73% from 2008. Our goal for next year is to provide targeted testing and outreach to the highest risk groups. We also plan to expand our counseling services to provide individual intervention sessions that aim to provide risk reduction through behavior change.

We have already witnessed quite exciting events in 2010. The 22-year-old US immigration ban against people with HIV/AIDS entering the US was lifted. President Obama signed into law a measure that lifts the ban on federal funding of needle-exchange programs. The new health care reform became law. The new Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, signed into law on March 23, 2010, bans insurance companies from denying or discontinuing coverage based on preexisting conditions. In addition, many people living with HIV will now qualify for Medicaid, and those who change employers will not lose their medical benefits. However, these provisions do not go into full effect until 2014.

For people who are HIV positive, the most important part of the new Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act signed into law on March 23, 2010, is the provision that bans insurance companies from denying or discontinuing coverage based on preexisting conditions, which include HIV/AIDS and other chronic illnesses such as cancer, diabetes or heart disease.

I would like to thank each of you who have contributed your support to DCAP this past year. Without you—our donors, community leaders and tireless volunteers—we could not accomplish all that we do. Together, our voices and our actions can win the fight against this global pandemic and save lives.

Sincerely,
Elena Ivanov, Executive Director

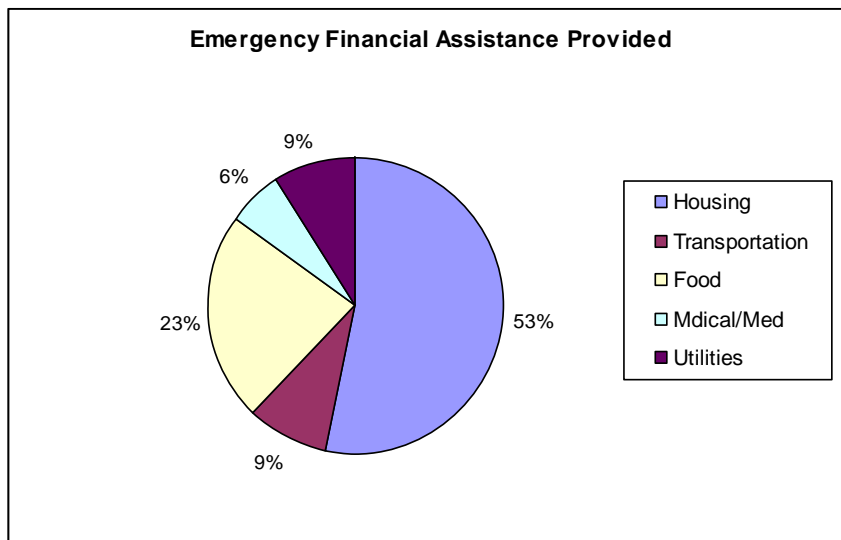
A Consumer's Success Story:

In September, DCAP became aware of a client who had been homeless for over six months, staying in a friend's basement. DCAP's Client Care staff collaborated with Bert Nash and SRS to enable this person to access General Assistance and become eligible for a housing program. DCAP's Client Care staff were able to negotiate with the landlord, allowing the client to move into a two-bedroom apartment for the price of a one-bedroom apartment. This individual had no furniture or appliances. Coincidentally, DCAP came upon a couple who were moving and wanted to donate a bedroom set, along with other domestic appliances. DCAP Client Care staff expeditiously located a large pick up truck. Two staff members (and their spouses) spent the following weekend moving and transporting everything. Miraculous timing and hard work paid off in the end. This individual is now housed in a lovely apartment with a bed, dresser, kitchen utensils, and a host of other household items.

Caring for those infected with HIV/AIDS

We provide one-on-one, confidential and professional case management services to those infected with HIV/AIDS. These services include assistance in accessing specialists in HIV/AIDS treatment, arranging transportation to appointments, providing emergency financial assistance, and accessing other resources pertinent to maintaining independence and quality of life.

DCAP consumers come from all walks of life, but mostly we serve low-income individuals. In 2009, 51 % of the DCAP consumers fell at or below the federal poverty level.



2009 Service Data

61	Consumers served
12	New in 2009
1,086	Face-to-face visits
4,951	Phone/written contacts
\$11,286	Emergency Financial Assistance provided to clients

Client Care in Action

The Acuity Scale is an assessment tool that measures a consumer's level of need in 17 life areas, such as medical, housing, mental health and social support. Points are given in each area based on the consumer's answers to several questions, and then they are tallied for a final score. This score determines the level of care the consumer will receive. Consumers with a high score (intermediate or intense level of need) will receive additional contact from case managers and more frequent reassessment.

In 2009, 93% of consumers maintained or reduced their acuity, indicating that DCAP's case management services are achieving the important goal of helping HIV+ consumers maintain their health and stability.

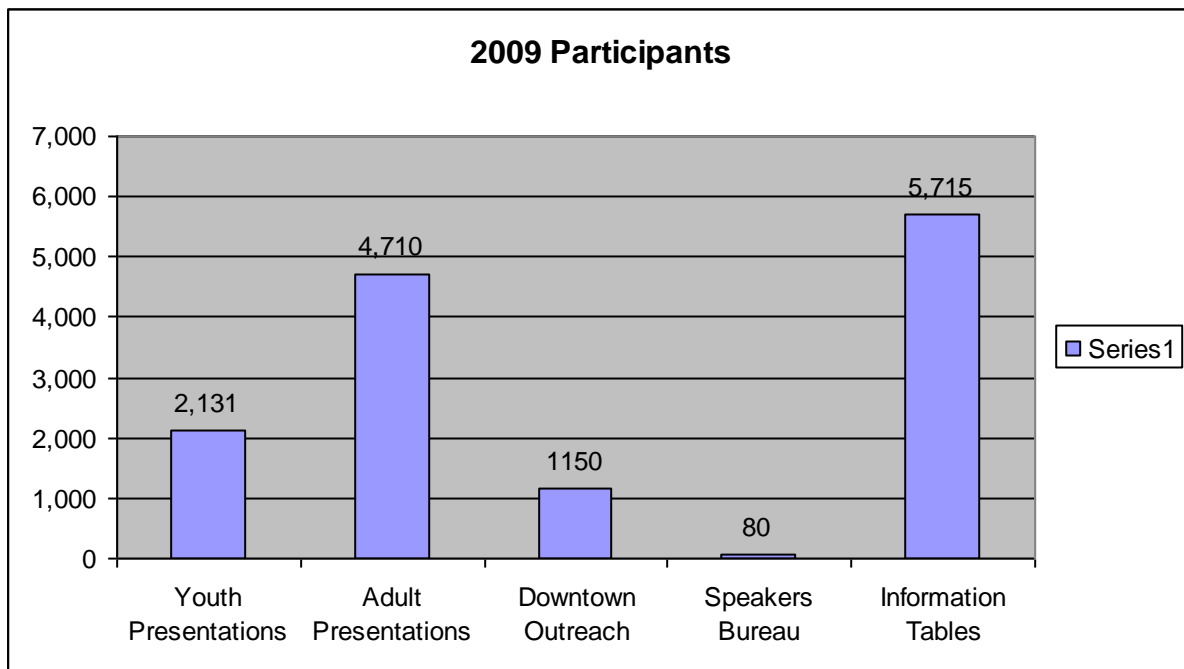
Client Demographics

80%	Male
20%	Female
80%	Caucasian
4 %	African/African-American
8 %	Native American
2%	Asian
2 %	Hispanic/Latino
4%	Other
51%	Below poverty level
27%	101-200% poverty level
18%	201-300% poverty level
4%	above 300%

Preventing the Spread of HIV/AIDS

DCAP has multiple goals with our education and outreach services. Our primary concern is to decrease the further spread of HIV. In addition, DCAP strives to create a community of caring for those already impacted by this epidemic and to break down stereotypes and biases relating to people living with HIV or AIDS.

Education is provided in a variety of settings, including schools, social service agencies, community events, bars and nightclubs, or anywhere we can reach individuals who may be putting themselves at-risk. Recent statistics revealed by the CDC confirm our worst suspicions about the vulnerability of teens between the ages of 13 and 18, and point out the need for comprehensive sex health education.



2009 Statistics

72 education presentations reached 1,126 persons.

97% of those educated can now correctly identify the four body fluids that transmit HIV

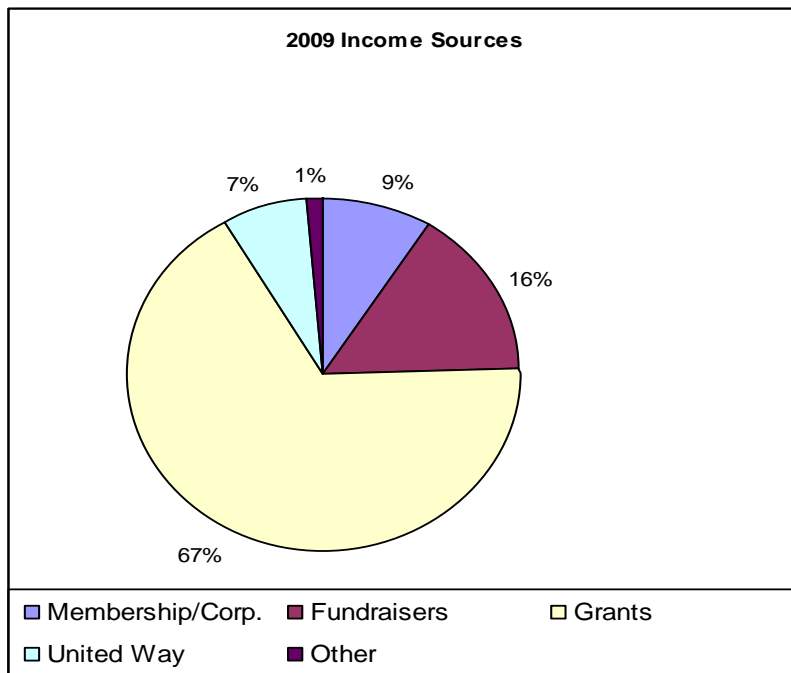
34 information tables reached over 5,715 persons

2 street outreach events reached 1,150 persons

16,054 free condoms were distributed at 21 condom bowl sites throughout our service region

282 people were given free HIV tests

Fiscal Data



Revenue

Membership/Corporate	21,389
Fundraisers	35,778
Grants	153,957
United Way	16,271
Other Income	3,020
Total	214,170

Expenses

Salaries	122,456
Payroll Expenses (taxes)	10,132
Client Services	11,275
Education	3,548
Fundraising Expenses	10,544
Operations	32,205
Total	204,792
Net Income	9,378

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Celebrating DCAP Volunteers

2009 Volunteer of the Year Award

Chelsea Mertz

2009 Friend of DCAP Award

Morgan Brown & Katie Donner

2009 Spirit of DCAP Award

Timorie Stewart

Five Years Service and More

Lisa Miller, Pat Phillips, Douglas Underwood, Emily Hampton

Four Years Service

Karen Luecke, Jill Daniels, Christopher Porter

Three Years Service

Steve Haenchen, Amanda McIntosh, Aly Barland, Mark Harbaugh,
Michael Jaquay, Emma Fernandez

Two Years Service

Bethany Lucas, Erin Williams, Danielle Loftus, Joy Isaacs,
Justin Zerin, Shasta Zielke, Lauren Tullis, Stepanie Layton, Lisa Dixon

One Year Service

Melissa Moss, Natalie Penn, Thomas Coombs, Christina Grammer, Vents Ivanov,
Zach Borth, Becky Wiens, Erin Hudson, Margaret Witzke, Caitlin Blackwell, Meloney
Clemons, Melissa Footlick, Marley Parsons, Travis Hasler, Chelsea Mertz

New Volunteers in 2009

Diane Genther, Kisha Phillips, Matt Hirschfeld, Perry Malzahn, Christina Smaus, Whitney Onasch,
Morgan Brown, Katie Donner, Timorie Steward, Heather Cameron, Cortney Shupe, Leslie Asquini,
Courtney Bullis, Lauran Galloway, Abbey Shea, Julie Evnen, Becca Harsh, Jess Tierney, Quincy Jones,
Kevin Shutts, Alyson Martin, Cierra Bias, Kristen Lervik, Emma Hoyle, Emilie Swartz, Matthew Frank