

# AIDS Foundation OF CHICAGO

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**Aldermen – Please make HIV prevention funding one of your top 2007 budget priorities!**

## **Increase in City HIV/AIDS Prevention Funding Since 2003=\$0.00 New HIV/AIDS Cases since 2003=6,023 (20% increase)**

The AIDS Foundation of Chicago (AFC) calls on Mayor Richard M. Daley and members of the Chicago City Council to increase city corporate funding for HIV/AIDS prevention services by no less than \$1.7 million in 2007. This funding is urgently needed for the following reasons:

- **The City of Chicago has not increased HIV prevention funding in the City budget since 2003.** Just to keep up with the rate of inflation the City would need to increase its HIV prevention budget by \$500,000 this year. HIV prevention services in the Chicago area have also suffered steep losses in state and federal funding, which were cut by nearly \$500,000 in 2006. Moreover, over 6,000 Chicagoans have been diagnosed with HIV/AIDS since 2003.
- **Chicago has a comprehensive, citywide HIV prevention plan. Unfortunately, there are too few dollars to implement it.**
  - HIV has affected every part of the city, and Chicago supports important but insufficiently funded projects on the south, west, and north sides of the city.
  - With input from the federally mandated community planning group, Chicago's resources for HIV prevention are allocated according to a variety of factors including the groups at greatest risk of HIV/AIDS, interventions proven to prevent the spread of HIV, and service needs across the city, among other factors.
- **With a \$1.7 million increase, Chicago could reverse recent service cuts (made because of insufficient funding) for a variety of proven interventions across the city:**
  - \$650,000 for projects serving women and girls at high risk of infection
  - \$576,000 for services to help drug users citywide to prevent HIV and hepatitis
  - \$217,000 for school-based HIV prevention for at-risk youth
  - \$111,000 to help community agencies provide high-quality HIV prevention services
  - \$108,000 for performing arts and youth-focused interventions
  - \$ 54,000 to mobilize hundreds of faith-based groups and churches in HIV awareness
- **With a \$1.7 million increase, Chicago could also follow the lead of New York; Washington, DC; and other major U.S. cities in developing citywide HIV prevention campaigns such as:**
  - Wide-scale condom distribution to high-risk, sexually active Chicago residents
  - Expansion of voluntary HIV counseling and testing in STD clinics and community settings
  - Purchase HIV rapid testing kits and other supplies
- **HIV prevention works. Chicago's past investment in HIV prevention has kept new infections at a constant rate.** But without immediate action, new HIV infections will increase, particularly among African-Americans and Latinos, who are already disproportionately impacted by HIV/AIDS.

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**City of Chicago HIV/AIDS Prevention Funding,  
and people living with HIV/AIDS, 1997-2007**

<b>Year</b>	<b>Corporate &amp; CDBG Funding</b>	<b>% Change</b>	<b># of people living with HIV/AIDS*</b>	<b>% Increase</b>
1997	\$3,954,500	0%	7,484	
1998	\$3,954,500	0%	8,293	+11%
1999	\$3,954,500	0%	9,674	+17%
2000	\$3,729,500	-6%	11,272	+17%
2001	\$3,729,500	0%	12,973	+15%
2002	\$3,629,500	-3%	14,767	+14%
2003	\$3,629,500	0%	16,377	+11%
2004	\$4,229,500	+17%	18,060	+10%
2005	\$4,229,500	0%	19,793**	+10%
2006	\$4,229,500	0%	--	--
2007***	\$4,229,500	0%	--	--

\*Data as of 9/31/06. People living with HIV/AIDS reported to the Chicago Department of Public Health (CDPH)

\*\*2005 numbers are provisional.

\*\*\*proposed funding by Mayor Richard M. Daley on October, 15, 2006  
HIV/AIDS data source: CDPH - Surveillance, Epidemiology and Research Program

**City of Chicago HIV Prevention Funding 2006**

<b>Income</b>	<b>(in millions)</b>
City of Chicago Corporate & Finance General	\$3.7
Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)	\$.5
U.S Centers for Disease Control and Prevention	\$5.4
Illinois Department of Public Health	<u>\$1.25</u>
<i>Total income</i>	<i>\$10.85</i>
<b>Expenses</b>	
Grants to Community-Based Organizations	\$5.4
CDPH direct services (HIV testing, etc.)	\$2.8
CDPH core support	<u>\$2.65</u>
<i>Total expenses</i>	<i>\$10.85</i>

Source: CDPH.