

**AID FOR AIDS INTERNATIONAL GATHERS LIVE-SAVING MEDICATION TO  
BE SENT TO EARTHQUAKE SURVIVORS IN HAITI**

**NEW YORK, January 12th, 2009** - In response to the devastating earthquake in Haiti, AID FOR AIDS International (AFAI) has begun collecting medications to be sent to save-lives in Haiti. AFAI currently operates the largest HIV medicine recycling program in the world and has lent their considerable experience and network towards alleviating the state of emergency in Haiti.

“While many organizations can lend their expertise by sending doctors, building materials, food and water to those who survived the earthquake, we at AID FOR AIDS International are able to utilize experience recycling medication to ensure that the survivors in Haiti receive the medicines that they need most,” said Founder and Executive Director Jesús Aguais. The agency is currently working in partnership with Housing Works to collect medications from across the country and distribute them to people in need in Haiti. “The response from supporters so far has been very touching,” Aguais said “but we still need the help of citizens across the country to contribute medications.”

AFAI has put out a call for medications that will be especially needed in this time of emergency. Those who wish to contribute should please see the list below for medications that they could donate. These medications should be unexpired and preferably sealed, and dropped off at one of the drop-off locations (see below) or sent to:

AID FOR AIDS International  
Attn: Haiti  
120 Wall St. 26<sup>th</sup> Floor,  
New York, NY 10005

Medications Needed:

**DRESSINGS**

- Bandage, adhesive, elastic, Gauze, bandage, with selvedge, Compress, non-sterile and sterile; Cotton wool, hydrophilic, in roll, Tape, adhesive

**MEDICAL SUPPLIES**

- Tongue depressor, medical Thermometer, Latex Gloves, Soap

**SELECTED ESSENTIAL DRUGS**

- Over the Counter medicines (OTC)
  - Analgesics, Antipyretics, non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs: - Salicylic Acid (Aspirin®, Ecotrin®), Ibuprofen, (Advil®, Motrin®), Acetaminophen, (Tylenol®, Temptra®)
- Drugs affecting the blood:
  - Iron or ferrous sulphate (Feosol®, Fer-Iron®, Fer-In-Sol®), Folic Acid (FA-8®, Folacin 800®)

- Dermatological drugs (topical):
  - Zinc Oxide 15% (Zincofax®, Desitin®, Soothe & Cool Skin Paste®)
- Gastrointestinal drugs:
  - Antacids: Aluminium Hydroxide, (Alu-cap®, Alu-tab®, Dialume®), Magnesium trisilicate, Ranitidine (Zantac®)

Prescription medicines:

- Antiallergics and drugs used in anaphylaxis:
  - Prednisone (Meticorten®)
- Anti-infective drugs :
  - antihelmintics: Mebendazole, (Vermox®)
  - Antibacterials: Amoxicillin, (Amoxil®, Trimox®); Cloxacillin or Dicloxacillin; Erythromycin, (Ery-tab®, Ery-ped®); Metronidazole, (Flagyl®); Cotrimoxazole (Bactrim®, Septra®).
- Antifungal drugs:
  - Nystatin, (Mycostatin®)
- Antiretrovirals !!!
- Gastrointestinal drugs:
  - Antiemetic drugs: Promethazine, (Pentazin®, Phenergan®)
- Ophthalmological preparations
  - tetracycline, eye ointment, 1% (hydrochloride)
  - gentamicin, eye drops, 0.3% (as sulfate)
- Vitamins:
  - vitamin A or Retinol
  - vitamin C (Dull-C®, Fruit-C®, Sunkist Vit C®, Vita-C®)

Drop Off Locations:

NEW YORK

**AIDS CENTER OF QUEENS COUNTY**

Jamaica: 161-21 Jamaica Av

Jamaica, NY 11432

**ARGUS COMMUNITY, INC**

760 East 160th Street, Bronx, NY 10456

**BIOSCRIP Manhattan**

197 8th Av, New York, NY 10014

**CALLEN LORDE**

356 West 18th Street Room 523, New York, NY 10011

**GMHC**

119 West 24th Street, New York, NY 10011 (lobby and 12th Floor)

**HISPANIC AIDS FORUM**

Manhattan: 213 West 35th Street, 12th Floor

New York, NY 10001

**HOUSING WORKS EAST**

743-749 East 9th Street, 2nd Floor, New York, NY 10009

**HOUSING WORKS BROOKLYN**

26-40 Pitkin Avenue, Brooklyn NY 11208

**HOUSING WORKS WEST**

320 West 13th Street, 4th Floor, New York, NY 10011

**THE LESBIAN, GAY, BISEXUAL & TRANSGENDER COMMUNITY CENTER:**

208 West 13th Street, New York, NY 10014

**THE LONG ISLAND LESBIAN, GAY, BISEXUAL & TRANSGENDER  
COMMUNITY CENTER**

34 Park Avenue, Bay Shore, NY 11706

**DROP OFF POINTS ACROSS THE COUNTRY**

**BIENESTAR**

4955 W Sunset Blvd, Los Angeles, CA 90027

5326 E Beverly Blvd, Los Angeles, CA 90002

14515 Hamlin Street, Suite 100, Van Nuys, CA 91411

**VENTURA COUNTY MEDICAL CENTER**

3147 Loma Vista Road, Ventura, CA, 93003, USA

**AIDS Support Group of CAPE COD**

P.O. Box 1522 96-98 Bradford Street, Provincetown, MA, 02657, USA

**BioScrip (Boston)**

21-23 Stanhope Street, Boston, MA, 02116, USA

**BROWARD HOUSE**

2800 N. Andrews Ave, Wilton Minors, FL, 33311, USA

**GAY, LESBIAN COMMUNITY CENTER**

1717 N. Andrews Ave. Fort Lauderdale, FL, 33311, USA

**CHATHAM CARE CENTER**

2 Wheeler Street, Savannah, GA, 31405, USA

**HAWAII ISLAND HIV/AIDS Foundation**

75-240 Nani Kailua Dr. Suite 506, Keaau Kailua-Kona, HI, 96740, USA

**STOP AIDS**

220 Flindlay Street, Cincinnati, OH, 45202, USA

**THE AIDS ACTION COALITION**

600 St Clair Avenue. Bldg# 6, Huntsville, AL, 35801, USA