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You can now apply for 2012 PWA membership by completing a membership form and mailing it to our office:

200 Gerrard St. East
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or by visiting us and completing it in person. We urge interested parties to renew or apply for membership well in

Dear Friends, Supporters and Community Partners,

2012 marks PWA's 25th anniversary of serving Toronto's HIV+ community. It would not have happened without PWA's donors, community partners and volunteers.

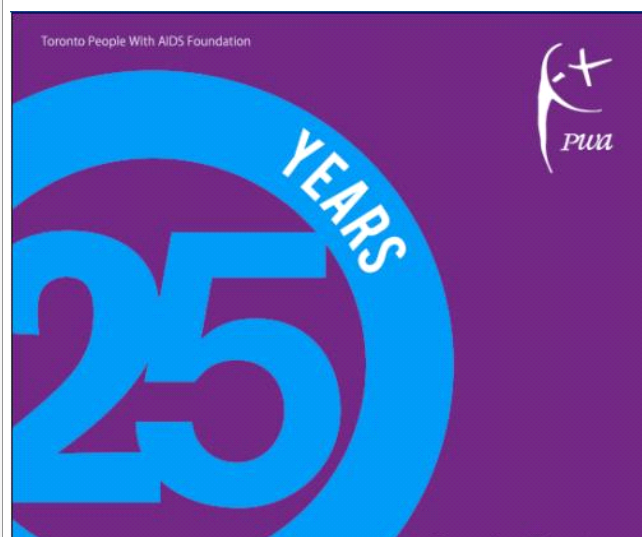
PLEASE JOIN US on Monday June 4th from 5-8pm at PWA (200 Gerrard St. East, Toronto) for a 25th anniversary launch event. Your stories are missing from PWA's 25 years. Bring your stories of HIV/AIDS in Toronto, mementos to create a visual, interactive displays to acknowledge PWA's and your history of HIV/AIDS.

In 1987, when PWA was created by three courageous people living with HIV/AIDS, the agency offered peer and practical support such as financial assistance (hence the name 'Foundation'). Over the years, the needs of our clients have changed and so did the way we deliver services. PWA's Essentials Market, access to medication, financial assistance, complementary therapies, social programming - these are just some of the ways in which we have assisted over 8,000 men, women, transmen, transwomen and children since 1987.

Since those early days, PWA's philosophy has remained the same, 'People living with HIV/AIDS are PWA's heart and soul'. This led us to fully integrating our client volunteers into our service delivery. In 2009, thanks to a bequest from the estate of John Max Pemberton, PWA had the opportunity to move into a bigger space at 200 Gerrard Street East at Sherbourne across from Allan Gardens Conservatory. This positioned us for expansion and augmentation of our services.

Today, PWA engages people living with HIV/AIDS in enhancing their health and wellbeing through practical and therapeutic support services and broader social change, and we inspire them to live into their dreams and discoveries.

Thank you for giving PWA the means to serve people living with HIV/AIDS in Toronto. We could not do it without YOU.



advance of the Annual General Meeting.

For more information call 416-506-1400 ext. 120 or email info@pwatoronto.org.

Announcing the Good Food Box

PWA's Essentials Market is pleased to announce the introduction of the Good Food Box from Food Share, a non-profit agency working to improve access to affordable and healthy food from field to table.

What is the Good Food Box?

The Good Food Box is a fee for service from Food Share. Food Share "buy[s] top quality fresh fruit and vegetables directly from farmers and from the Ontario Food Terminal, and volunteers pack it into green reusable boxes at [their] Field to Table warehouse. Volunteer co-ordinators [or agencies like PWA] collect money for the boxes in advance of delivery, then make sure that everyone gets their box after it arrives. [Food Share] delivers to daycares, apartment buildings, churches- anywhere there are 8-10 people who want to buy a box" (<http://www.foodshare.net/goodfoodbox01.htm>).

Why is PWA Offering the Good Food Box?

PWA decided to introduce the Good Food Box to help fulfill two of our strategic directions - to be a creative connector and health and wellbeing champion for people living with HIV/AIDS (PHAs). Offering the Good Food Box at PWA will connect PHAs to healthier, more affordable food which in turn will create more opportunities to improve health and wellbeing. To increase accessibility, PWA will be providing a \$5 subsidy towards the cost of the Good Food Box for PWA clients (subject to budget availability).



Opening Event
June 4th, 2012
5-8pm

25 years of history is missing your stories. Please help us mark the 25th anniversary of PWA and contribute to the living history of HIV/AIDS in Toronto. Bring your mementos, photos and stories to a community event at PWA.

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25 years of serving the community, 25 years of struggle against HIV/AIDS, 25 years of creating possibilities for people living with HIV/AIDS.
Your story is our history.

Join us for these Anniversary events:

June 04 Anniversary Launch Event	July Movie Night	September PWA at 25 Retrospective available AGM	November 25th Anniversary Community Exhibit
July 01 Pride Parade Float	August Speakers Series	October Speakers Series	November 30 Finales

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TORONTO PRIDE - June 22nd - July 1st

PWA is very excited for Pride, as we always are, to show our commitment to the LGBT community and join in the celebration of summer in Toronto and educating the community about PWA's work for people living with HIV/AIDS. BUT we are PARTICULARLY EXCITED this year because this year we are acknowledging our 25 years of serving the community.

PWA will be participating in the July 1st Pride parade and will have a community booth for the Saturday/Sunday, June 30th and July 1st. Please consider this your formal invitation to join us for the parade in PWA's contingent! Your walk down the parade route will be accompanied by party music and you will be joined by PWA staff and board members.

Please contact Tom if you would like more information on participating in PWA's parade entry (we would love to have you along)!!! develop1@pwatoronto.org or 416-506-1400 ext. 255

Adventure of a LIFETIME - Raffle Tickets

For a chance to win one of two trips for two from OUT Adventures and Intrepid Travel and support PWA through the Friends For Life Bike Rally, purchase your TRIP OF A LIFETIME raffle ticket today. Imagine yourself in far flung

Morocco, remote Italy or high up in Nepal!

Purchase your ticket before they sell out, call Mila at 416-506-1400 ext. 256 or communicate@pwatoronto.org.

Tickets are \$20 each. Fine print - Tickets can be sold to individuals 18 years of age or older who reside in Ontario.

If you know a Rider or Crew participant in this year's 2012 Bike Rally, ask them to collect raffle tickets from PWA, and your raffle ticket purchase will go towards THEIR personal fundraising!

PLEASE NOTE:

Raffle tickets are not subject to tax receipts. Trips are valued at a maximum of \$5,000 CAD each.

Sounds that Soothe - PWA's new integrated sound system

PWA would like to acknowledge a generous donation of sound equipment for PWA's board rooms which are utilized for clients' complimentary therapies, PWA and community partner meetings. The sound system has just been installed and we are now able to augment treatment sessions with gentle music to improve the restful and rejuvenating experience of clients by reducing ambient office noise. Clients have already reported that their experience in the improved treatment space is transformed. A 'Busy PWA office disappears' so that they can better enjoy a therapeutic and relaxing treatment.

The sound system has been installed in zones so that greater control is possible for when and where the music can play. This allows meetings divided by spacers to take place right next to therapeutic sessions without disruption.

Thanks to Ben and Mae Patey for their donation!

ABOUT PWA

Mission - We engage people living with HIV/AIDS in enhancing their health and well-being through practical and therapeutic support services and broader social change, and we inspire them to live into their dreams and discoveries.

Vision - We live in affirming, sustaining communities where we find inspiration and support for our dreams, health, well-being and meaningful contributions.

These are based on our foundation philosophy, which resonates more than ever and remains unchanged:

People living with HIV/AIDS play a crucial role in the governance and operation of the Toronto People With AIDS Foundation, but, most importantly, are its heart and soul. Although PWA seeks supportive partnerships in support of fulfilling its Mission, its response to HIV/AIDS is, more than anything else, inspired by the voices and experience of people living with HIV/AIDS.

Thank you for your support and interest in Toronto People With AIDS Foundation's work.

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