

## Membership Form

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Membership Fee

I wish to become a member.

I would like to be a volunteer.

I wish to make a donation. (tax receipt will be forwarded)

**AIDS**  
*Saint John*

- ❖ *Education*
- ❖ *Prevention*
- ❖ *Advocacy*
- ❖ *Support (Empowerment)*



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### In Partnership With

*Canadian AIDS Society*

*AIDS New Brunswick*

*SIDA AIDS Moncton*

*Healing Our Nations*

*SOOP (Seeking Outreach Opportunities Program)*

*Canadian Treatment Advocacy Council*

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By becoming a member, you will:

- ❖ Receive copies of the AIDS Saint John newsletter and any further updates.
- ❖ Be able to vote at the Annual General Meeting providing that you have been a member for at least thirty (30) days.
- ❖ Be eligible to serve on committees and to run for office.

**Since volunteers are the core of our organization, the standard membership fee of \$10.00 is optional.**

### **BECOMING A MEMBER**

In becoming a member, I am in agreement with the organization's mission, goals and guiding principles, which are as follows:

#### **MISSION**

*AIDS Saint John is a non-profit organization aimed at (a) improving the quality of life of those infected and affected by HIV/AIDS, and (b) striving to reduce the spread of HIV by promoting healthy choices in the community at large. This will be accomplished through education and public awareness, support and advocacy.*

#### **GOALS**

- ❖ Provide support programs for persons affected by AIDS.  
Assist in education on the nature,
- ❖ transmission and prevention of AIDS.
- ❖ Support and assist in the development of appropriate AIDS policies, operational directives and services in related organizations.

- ❖ Raise funds for the above listed purposes.

### **GUIDING PRINCIPLES**

- 1.0 Community action which is committed to...
  - 1.1 EMPOWERMENT. Persons living with HIV / AIDS (PLWHIV) can achieve their goals. AIDS Saint John will encourage individuals who live with HIV / AIDS to become more directly involved in the decisions that will affect their lives as well as to become involved with other organizations that might serve their needs.
  - 1.2 A HOLISTIC approach that encompasses the physical, emotional, mental, and spiritual aspects of the person. AIDS Saint John respects the dignity of every human being and recognizes the validity of others' beliefs, values and sources of knowledge.
  - 1.3 EDUCATION. AIDS Saint John recognizes the importance of preventative education and advocates for educational efforts that are accessible and effective throughout the province.
  - 1.4 Recognition that HIV / AIDS is not simply a health issue. It is an issue that needs a vision of social change, a change that aims at overcoming inequality and addresses the underlying causes of such

inequality. Those causes include: injustice, ignorance, poverty, violence, drug use, racism, sexism, homophobia, and heterosexism. AIDS Saint John will support other communities that are affected by HIV / AIDS in their efforts to advocate for social change.

2. Recognition of the autonomy (separate identity) of other AIDS organizations in the province and that each is free to act in the best interests of its clients and the organization itself.

3. Recognition of the significant role that the gay and lesbian community plays in the initial and continuing community fight against AIDS in Canada.