

# ACCEPT

Access for Community Cultural Prevention Programs and Trainings



## Empowering Those Among Us

“Our mission is to empower underserved individuals and families by providing public health services and resources through community partnerships serving a multicultural population with emphasis on at-risk communities.”

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## ACCEPT

was the first community-based organization providing HIV/AIDS prevention education, intervention, and support services targeting African Americans in Washoe County. ACCEPT was founded in 1995 by Pastor Glenn E. Taylor Sr., as an outreach ministry of the Greater Light Church. At that time no one in the State of Nevada was targeting African Americans, who have been disproportionately affected and infected since the epidemic's beginning. In 1999 ACCEPT acquired its own 501c3.

African Americans account for more HIV and AIDS cases than any other ethnic group. Although only 12% of the US population, African Americans account for 50% of AIDS cases. Although we target African Americans, we do not discriminate in our provision of services, we serve all races and ethnicities. We have subsequently added substance abuse prevention classes for children and parents, parenting education, wellness groups and trainings, capacity building trainings, and supportive care services for individuals living with HIV/AIDS in addition to HIV/AIDS prevention.



## Outreach Programs Offered

### Positive Action for Youth

A substance abuse prevention program directly targeting youth. The *Positive Action* philosophy is that “positive thoughts lead to positive actions, positive actions lead to positive feelings about yourself, and positive feelings lead to more positive thoughts.” Positive Action teaches specific positive actions in the physical, intellectual, social, and emotional areas through six focus units that are common to all of our programs: self-concept: What it is, How It’s Formed, and Why It’s Important, physical and intellectual Positive Actions for a Healthy Body and Mind, Social/Emotional Positive Actions for Managing Yourself Responsibly, Social/Emotional Positive Actions for Getting Along with Others by Treating Them the Way You Like to be Treated, Social/Emotional Positive Actions for Being Honest with Yourself and Others, and Social/Emotional Positive Actions for Improving Yourself Continually.

### Financial Education for Youth

ACCEPT added a Financial Education Component to the Positive Action Curriculum using the Wells Fargo Hands On Banking Program. Youth is trained on four Modules: You & Your Money (where money comes from and how you use it), Budgeting, Savings & Checking, Credit and You and a final Assessment.

03.04.14 – 05.13.14

**Echo Loder Elementary School**

Total: 16 attended

04.24.14 – 05.30.14

**Boys & Girls Club of Truckee Meadows**

Total: 63 attended

08.31.14 – 10.26.14

**Greater Light Christian Center**

Total: 17 attended

10.16.14 – 12.18.14

**Glenn Duncan**

Total: 25 attended

**121 Youth Reached**



## Health Education and Risk Reduction Meetings for Men & Women Living with HIV/AIDS



**HIV/AIDS Health Education and Risk Reduction (HERR)** is for Men and Women Living with HIV/AIDS. The HERR program is to **reduce the risk** of HIV transmission among men and women living with HIV/AIDS in a culturally competent manner. ACCEPT's HERR program will provide services that educate clients with HIV/AIDS about HIV transmission and how to reduce the risk of HIV transmission. This includes the provision of information; including information dissemination about medical and psychosocial support services and counseling to help clients with HIV improve their health status. ACCEPT will provide this information to HIV/AIDS infected individuals, their partners, family members and/or caregivers via community outreach workshops and presentations. ACCEPT will collaborate with local experts on various topics as they relate to risk factors associated with: mental health (i.e., depression, anxiety); physical health (i.e., substance abuse/needle cleaning, exercise, medication adherence, HIV/AIDS transmission information); spiritual health and/or practices and financial health (i.e., poverty), all of which have been associated with risk for HIV transmission. The overall impact of this program will be the improvement of health outcomes of HIV positive individuals through the provision of health information and risk reduction.



### Year 2014 Duplicated Attendees: 220



**Unduplicated Attendees Living with HIV/AIDS: 35**

**Unduplicated Attendees Not Living with HIV: 13**

<b>33 Male</b>	<b>11 African American</b>
<b>13 Female</b>	<b>3 American Indian</b>
<b>2 Transgender</b>	<b>25 Caucasian</b>
	<b>2 Asian</b>
	<b>1 Pacific Islander</b>
	<b>4 Other</b>



## Outreach & Partners Served

1.20.2014

Boys & Girls Club of Truckee Meadows

Reached: 19

2.20.2014

Job Corps.

Reached: 188

2.28.2014

Mu-Ha

Join Together Northern Nevada

Reached: 31

5.04.2014

Women's Conference

Greater Light Christian Center

Reached: 79

8.16.2014

Northern Nevada 5k Walk for HIV & AIDS

Reached: 24

9.19.2014

Greater Light Christian Center

Reached: 86

10.23.2014

Lunch & Learn with Janssen Pharmaceuticals

Reached: 12

10.23.2014

Lights Out Event

Boys & Girls Club of Truckee Meadows

Reached: 61

12.14.2014

Grace Tabernacle Church

Reached: 6

Parenting Wisely Online Program

Reached: 2



**BOYS & GIRLS CLUB  
OF TRUCKEE MEADOWS**

**508 Total Individuals Reached**



# Demographics of Individuals Reached

Total Individuals Reached: 677

Clients living with HIV/AIDS: 48

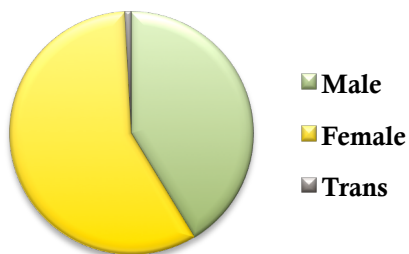
Positive Action Youth: 121

Trainings: 508

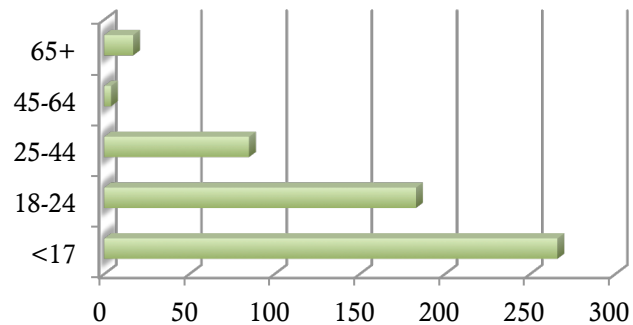
Volunteers: 24

Volunteer Hours: 478

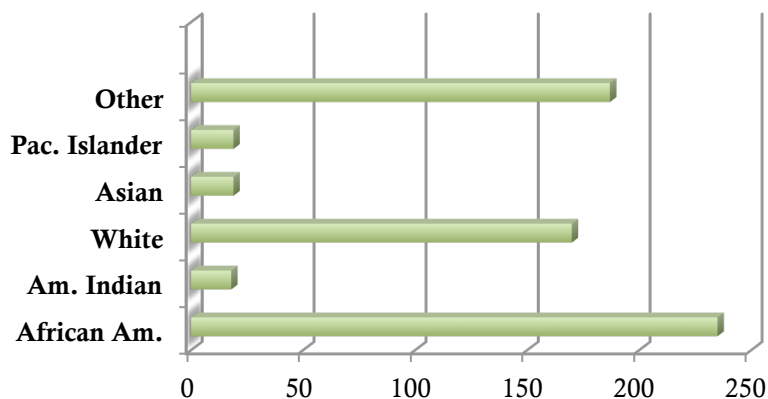
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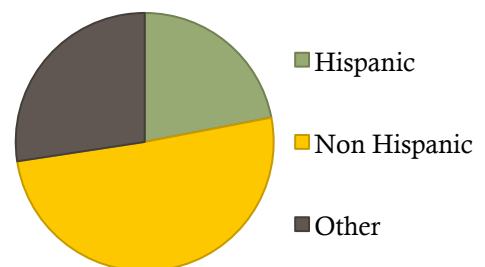
## Age Range



## Race



## Ethnicity



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