“Because of what SAAF gave me, I can now give back to others. The support I found at SAAF allowed me to become an advocate and a voice for others who could not speak. SAAF reminded me that I could live and thrive.” - SAAF Client
SAAF Wins First Ever Torch Award for Nonprofit Ethics from the Better Business Bureau Serving Southern Arizona

By Rachel McMenamin, Grants Coordinator

In 2019, SAAF was awarded the Torch Award for Nonprofit Ethics from the Better Business Bureau Serving Southern Arizona – the first year that there has been an ethics category for nonprofit organizations!

SAAF is incredibly honored to have received the 2019 Torch Award. In a community of amazing nonprofits, it was quite humbling to have SAAF be the very first one awarded for our commitment to creating a culture of trust, transparency, and integrity.

At SAAF, we believe that a healthy and stigma-free society is based on a solid foundation of trust and compassion. As a nonprofit and more specifically as an AIDS service organization and an LGBTQ+ serving organization, we hold ourselves accountable to our stakeholders: our clients, our donors, the taxpayers, our staff and volunteers, our community partners, our funders, and the community at large.

Clients must trust that when they receive our services, they are being treated with respect, acceptance, compassion, knowledge, and evidence-based best practices. Our clients need to trust that they will be empowered to achieve improved health and are seen as a whole person worthy of respect and love. Donors must trust that their gifts are used as intended and have a clear and measurable impact. Our donors in particular often make gifts for highly personal reasons, many times to celebrate and honor the life of someone they loved and lost. It is our job to honor donor gifts with the care of honoring people’s lives, grief, and hope. Donors and clients alike must trust that their confidentiality is being respected.

Our community must trust that we are working together to ensure our shared vision of a healthy society. Our staff must trust that they are valued, respected, and supported to do the work they are so passionate about. Community partners must trust that we operate with integrity and transparency in order to build successful collaborations to best serve our clients.

It is only with the trust of all of these stakeholders that SAAF can fulfill our vision: a healthy community, free of stigma. It’s because of you that we make strides every day to improve the health of the community and provide services for the most vulnerable. We strive to honor the trust you’ve placed in us. Thank you for placing your confidence in SAAF and for your continued support. We celebrate this award with each and every one of you.

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OUR MISSION:

To cultivate a healthy and stigma-free society through transformative action.
Meet TLC4 Youth Participant - Axyl

By Michael Webb, Eon Youth Program Senior Health Education Specialist

When Axyl first began attending Eon, he would have never tried to talk to anyone new because of his crippling anxiety. Having now attended the Eon Youth Program over 250 times for approximately 1000 hours, Axyl says, “Eon has impacted my life in more ways than anything has in a long time. Coming to Eon has provided me with nothing but the greatest support system, a space where I can feel accepted and be my true authentic self. I have made so many friends and opened up considerably.” It is certainly true that Axyl was very quiet and reserved when he first attended Eon, but you would never know that now because of how involved and inviting he is in our community of young people.

A peak success for Axyl has been through “Mapping Q.” In Mapping Q, Axyl has been able to learn about suicide prevention and leadership training, as well as explore identities and how representations of self are displayed in the world around us. Mapping Q also provided a pathway for Axyl to be the featured artist on the youth art wall at the Thornhill Lopez Center on 4th. This was a special moment for Axyl because he was able to host an opening reception featuring 20 pieces of his artwork.

Axyl has become a fierce advocate for mental health resources in and outside of Eon. Axyl says, “I have been suicidal in the past. Knowing that I had the staff and community of Eon is what got me up in the morning to keep going.” Axyl understands the necessity of having community and a variety of sources of strength, so he has pioneered Eon’s first Mental Health/Disability Support Group. This group now occurs bi-weekly and is increasingly attended by our youth participants. Axyl shares that he is in a place in life now where he helps cultivate resilience among his peers, sharing with staff that “a couple of [his] friends have been suicidal and he [has gained the skills] to talk them out of it.”

Through Eon, Axyl signed up for his first HIV-test on National HIV Testing Day in June 2019. He says that he wants to be part of a community “where getting tested would mean working towards ending the HIV/AIDS epidemic.” He also attended Youth HIV/AIDS Awareness Day, where he was tasked with being a youth leader responsible for educating and welcoming new youth visiting the space for their first time.

Axyl’s story and involvement in Eon underscores the importance of having a strong emotional support network. When asked how Eon will support him in the years to come before he ages up from the program, he says he “would like to achieve a goal of transition by acquiring top surgery,” stating that “Eon will continue to support him emotionally.” In Eon, we strive to create a culture of radical self-acceptance and we look forward to supporting Axyl on this journey together! Join us in celebrating Axyl’s pride and that of all the youth being served in Eon at the Thornhill Lopez Center on 4th. Thank you for making this life-changing work possible.
Prevention Overview FY 2018-2019

SAAF’s Prevention Department creates healthier communities through innovative education, training, and outreach services to reduce the transmission of HIV, Hepatitis, and sexually transmitted infections (STIs) by using safe and supportive, evidence-based interventions.

SAAF provided effective behavioral interventions, public health strategies, health education, and risk-reduction activities that included outreach, individual-level interventions, group-level interventions, community-level interventions, health education/public information, and social media strategies.

At risk Communities served through prevention programing:

- Gay/bisexual men
- Individuals who inject drugs or have a history of injection drug use
- Individuals currently in drug treatment
- Individuals who have a history of incarceration
- Youth (ages 13-24), including young people of color and LGBTQ+ youth
- Ethnic populations at higher risk, specifically people of color

HIV TESTING

SAAF provides confidential testing services Monday through Friday utilizing 4th generation HIV rapid testing technologies with results available in 20 minutes. Staff provide HIV counseling, testing, and referral services as needed. Rural testing in Pinal County is also provided through our testing services, along with testing at various community outreach events throughout the year.

- Approximately 1,668 people received HIV rapid testing services

COMMUNITY EDUCATION & OUTREACH

Our staff have been providing community education through workshops, scheduling outreach events, and providing mobile HIV testing services for more than 20 years. Community education & outreach is scheduled by way of the agency website and is accessible to community members of all backgrounds and capacities, including service providers, teachers, parents, community partners, and youth. Workshops discuss risk-reduction strategies, preventative tools, and testing.

- Over 7,000 individuals received education on HIV, viral Hepatitis, substance use, LGBTQ+ issues, and harm reduction through 300 community education events

ADULT PROGRAMS & OUTREACH

PrEP Navigation Services

SAAF’s PrEP/PEP Navigation Services pilot program launched as a full program on June 1, 2018 in order to better serve the prevention needs of the community. PrEP Navigation Services help to identify, educate, and evaluate the readiness of an individual to begin a PrEP regimen. In addition, staff provide support services to help individuals find a provider and find the best solution to pay for their medication.

- 487 clients engaged in PrEP readiness and assessment with a SAAF PrEP Navigator

One Life (Concluded Sept 2018)

Through One Life, SAAF provided HIV and Hepatitis B & C rapid and confirmatory testing, risk-reduction counseling, and linkages to care and treatment. Any person receiving a preliminary positive result on an HIV rapid test was immediately referred to
SAAF’s Linkage Liaison for intake and linkage to medical care. This project included the use of an intervention called SHIELD for adults who currently use or formerly used substances and are at high risk for HIV and other infections. SHIELD supports participants to be peer educators who share HIV prevention with people in their social networks.

- Approximately 426 Hepatitis C rapid tests were conducted
- 50% of clients testing positive for Hepatitis C were linked to treatment

**Syringe Access Program**

The purpose of SAAF’s Syringe Access Program (SAP) is to promote safe behaviors that reduce HIV and viral hepatitis transmission among people and their partners who inject drugs. SAAF accomplishes this by increasing access to sterile syringes and other harm-reduction supplies, providing HIV and Hepatitis C counseling, linking participants to medical care, and offering comprehensive health education and prevention services on Monday and Wednesday afternoons.

- 736 unique visits monthly
- Estimated total syringes collected last year: 557,205
- Estimated total syringes distributed last year: 637,653

**Fresh Arizona**

SAAF and Pima Prevention Partnership work together to provide culturally-competent provider training and technology assistance in order to address the tobacco use health disparities of LGBTQ+ communities.

- 14 training opportunities attended by 375 providers

**Arizona Life Links for Youth (ALLY)**

Arizona’s Life Links for Youth focuses on reducing the rate of attempted and completed suicides among Arizona’s LGBTQ+ youth. This program utilizes both Sources of Strength curriculum for youth and Question, Persuade, Refer training for the community.

- 96% of youth and adults surveyed who completed Question, Persuade, Refer (QPR) training indicated an increase or maintenance in ability to recognize warning signs for suicide.

**Youth Empowerment and LGBTQ+ Leadership (YELL)**

YELL’s goal is to inform LGBTQ+ youth and their allies about substances, through fact-based campaigns created by their own community, and to support trusted adults to communicate with young people and set limits in their homes.

- There were significant gains in adult knowledge based on prescription drug and alcohol training concerning where there were permanent prescription drop box locations (96.0%) and awareness of “take back” events (71.2%).

**YOUTH PROGRAMS**
Eon Youth Lounge

Eon is a youth-driven program, housed in the Thornhill Lopez Center on 4th, which provides a safe drop-in space for LGBTQ+ youth aged 13-24. This space provides social opportunities, sex-positive health education, life skills, showers and housing assistance, a place to be themselves, and so much more.

- Over 460 unduplicated youth have accessed the center since its opening.
- 83% of youth feel more comfortable seeking help from a trusted adult.

Youth Life Project (YLP)

YLP is a multi-faceted sexual-violence prevention program for youth ages 13-24 offering life skills education addressing dating and sexual violence, capacity-building training for service providers, and community mobilization of local resources and service organizations to address systemic sexual-violence prevention.

- 450 youth educated about sexual consent across 29 cohorts
- 10 schools directly partner with YLP in Pima County

Aztec (Concluded Sept 2018)

A collaboration with Pima Community College, the program aimed to reduce substance abuse and HIV by providing education, group-level interventions, HIV and HCV testing, and support services to students in the Pima Community College Desert Vista and West Campuses.

Your Story

Your Story is a collaboration between SAAF and Amistades Inc., who work with community partner, to build personal testimony and empowerment among Latino, Native American, and LGBTQ+ youth that helps prevent and reduce substance use, and in turn reduce HIV and Hepatitis transmission.

- 4,531 individuals were reached through 40 community outreach events
- 70% of youth participants identify as Hispanic, Latino/a, or of Spanish origin and 15.5% identify as a sexual minority.
TLC4 Continues to Thrive

At TLC4, community LGBTQ+ youth have received:

- Over 797 bus passes
- Over 1,316 hygiene items
- Over 2,065 clothing items
- Over 65 hot meals
- Over 2,156 nonperishable food items

Our LGBTQ+ youth in the community continue to be grateful to have a place where they feel a sense of belonging:

"I am no longer "at risk" or willing to engage in dangerous behavioral activities as I was before. Even though I have HIV, I am better because I know how to live with this and take care of myself. Now, I am a responsible member of society, instead of a bystander or a public enemy."

"Eon is the best support system ever. Eon means a great deal to me and I’m glad to be able to come here."

"Always a great place to be in. The staff are awesome and work really hard to make the space a safe place for all of us youth. We are grateful for what they do for us and what they bring to the space. Always an exciting and memorable environment."
Supporting HIV-Positive Refugee Clients
By Haley Smith, Bilingual Housing Case Manager

Trigger Warning: The content of the following article contains mention of sexual and physical violence, abduction, and death.

Imagine being an HIV-positive refugee... struggling to access basic healthcare, unable to speak the local language, traumatized by the events that made you a refugee in the first place, and unsure how to navigate life with HIV.

As a Housing Case Manager at SAAF, I work directly with low-income, HIV-positive individuals. As the only fluent French-speaker on staff, I have numerous African refugee clients on my caseload. Though very few of them speak English, fortunately half of them speak French. I have now worked with African refugee clients for two years, and have had quite an education. I am passionate about sharing their stories and the impact that SAAF supporters have made in their lives.

Upon arrival in the U.S., refugees receive ongoing cultural orientations, English language courses, initial doctor’s visits, enrolling children at schools, finding a job, and basic finance training. After six months, the main support ends, and the individual and their family are now on their own to navigate life in the U.S. They are considered to be settled.

For most of these individuals, they have never used a bank, an elevator, or an oven before. They are not accustomed to American culture, and have spent as long as twenty-five years in refugee camps. I have one client who has only been in the U.S. for eight months and has had the fire department over four times already, because she has difficulty remembering how to use the stove and has had a few close calls.

However, this woman has so much more going on, navigating life in a new country. She has five children, one of whom died in a refugee camp in Africa. Her youngest daughter was kidnapped by a rebel group in Africa. Against all odds, the mother was able to bring her back to safety, but you cannot imagine what the eight-year-old went through during her abduction. I would like to say that this story is uncommon amongst the refugee clients I serve, but it is not. Every single one of my refugee clients has either been tortured, raped, or witnessed these events happen to their loved ones.

In African culture, being HIV-positive is extremely stigmatized. For many, self-ostracizing and being alone is better than associating with an HIV-positive community and letting their HIV status be known. Some of them have not even told their children, because they fear that their children will treat them as less than human.

Another one of my refugee clients came from the Congo with her three children. Her husband was murdered in front of her before coming to the U.S. She became pregnant this past year, and gave birth to a healthy baby boy. The father of her son beat her when he found out she was pregnant, and she has not seen him since. Leading up to her due date, I would contact her every week using a Swahili interpreter to make sure she was doing okay and had everything she needed. When I called her two weeks before her due date, she told me that she had already given birth by emergency C-section. Being illiterate, she could not remember which paper had my name and phone number on it to give to the hospital so that they could call me.

Haley Smith, Bilingual Housing Case Manager
She had been discharged from the hospital and had been prescribed post C-section medication. However, she didn’t understand where to go to pick it up. She had run out of diapers already and couldn’t afford more, and she had run out of formula for her baby. She couldn’t even read the formula labels given to her at the hospital. She told me that she had not breast fed the child, because the doctor had told her not to, but she asked me if she could breast feed just this once because she had no formula.

Due to her HIV-positive status, I counseled her not to breast feed and took great pains to explain why, as nobody had really taken the time to explain it to her before. My heart just broke. Here is a mother with no community and no English skills. She is going without her C-section medication, and her baby is starving. I spent the rest of the day making sure all the mother’s and baby’s needs were met. Though they were so happy and thankful for the help I provided, after meeting with them I just sat in my car and cried.

I can’t tell you how many times I sit in my car after doing a home visit with a refugee client, and just cry. These situations aren’t unique, and due to linguistic and cultural barriers, ongoing support is so important for this population. I am not a refugee, and I don’t claim to speak for refugees, but this is a vulnerable population in our community who needs continued support.

It takes a lot of courage to move halfway around the world, to not speak the language or understand the culture, and to know that you can never go home again. Through the many supporters who make our work possible, HIV-positive refugees are finding a home at SAAF and a home in our beautiful city.

I cannot express the impact that you continue to make in their lives through your support. You are saving lives. I am honored and humbled to do this work and to go above and beyond to make Tucson healthier and kinder for all. From the bottom of my heart, thank you.
Once again, SAAF provided services to the greatest number of people in its history, serving 1,565 people living with HIV/AIDS in Southern Arizona and their household members. Of these, 206 were new clients to SAAF.

**Age Summary:**
- 2-12 years: 29
- 13-24 years: 424
- 25-44 years: 871
- 45-64 years: 241
- 65+ years: 258

**Gender Summary:**
- Male: 1,286
- Female: 258
- Transgender: 2

**Veteran Status (Pima County):**
- No: 1,416
- Not Available: 13
- Yes: 136

**Mental Health Conditions (Pima County):**
- No: 946
- Not Available: 33
- Yes: 586

**Race Summary:**
- American Indian or Alaskan Native: 40
- Asian: 11
- African American: 205
- Hispanic or Latino/a: 506
- More than one race: 33
- Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander: 1
- White (Not Hispanic): 769

**Substance Use Disorder (Pima County):**
- Alcohol Abuse: 64
- Drug Abuse: 164
- Dually Diagnosed: 61
- None: 1,241
- Not Available: 35
Care Services Overview FY 2018-2019

SAAF’s Care Services Department ensures that people living with HIV/AIDS have access to the services they need to maintain optimal health and live as independently and safely as possible. Care Services programs are grouped into three primary areas: case management, support services, and housing services.

Due to the ongoing economic conditions and the stress of living with limited incomes, the demand remained high for basic support services including housing, food, transportation, emergency rent and utility assistance, as well as essential medical services including dental care and medical benefits management.

**CASE MANAGEMENT**

- Case Management provided needs assessments, the development of care and action plans, and referrals to necessary services.
- Case Management was also provided to chronically homeless persons in a program component serving chronically homeless persons regardless of their HIV status.

**SUPPORT SERVICES**

Support Services allow clients to have everything they need in order to become healthy and stay healthy. Case Management works closely with Support Services to make sure that clients are matched with the services that will benefit them the most in order to thrive. These services include, but are not limited to the following:

- **Complimentary Therapies** – Massage, Acupuncture
- **Dental** – Statewide coverage (excluding Maricopa and Pinal Counties) for clients’ dental insurance needs
- **Food and Nutrition** – Home-delivered meals with Food For Life, emergency meals, the Food Pantry, Ensure distribution, and Harvest Days
- **Holiday Project** – Our family day for clients to celebrate the holidays and pick out gifts
- **Medical Benefits Management (MBM)** – Provided statewide for those enrolled in the Affordable Care Act Federally Facilitated Marketplace
- **Support Groups** - Weekly Peer Group sessions with food to build community and provide client social support
- **Transportation** – Provided bus passes and cab rides to medical appointments
- **Travis Wright Memorial Buyers’ Club** (www.tucsonbuyersclub.org) – Name brand, quality supplements and wellness supplies at a reduced cost
HOUSING SERVICES

SAAF provides a wide variety of housing assistance programs to best fit client needs. In addition to owning 7 properties with 83 units, SAAF also works with community partners to help house individuals who are HIV positive. Housing services can include any of the following:

- Emergency Shelter
- Rapid Rehousing
- Permanent Supportive Housing
- Tenant-based Rental Assistance
- Transitional Housing

SAAF staff make every effort to ensure that clients remain stably housed once they have entered our housing program through the provision of wraparound case management and supportive services to clients. Wraparound case management and supportive services enable clients to follow up with medical appointments and behavioral health care, assist them with obtaining income or employment, support them in accessing public benefits and ensure they are meeting their basic needs.

- **280 households and 526 total individuals served through SAAF housing programs in Pima County**
- **30 households and 55 total individuals served through SAAF housing services in Arizona excluding Maricopa, Pinal, and Pima Counties**

Anti-Violence Project (AVP)

AVP works to prevent, respond to, and end all forms of violence against and within the LGBTQ+ communities of Southern Arizona. Through crisis intervention, AVP Case Managers provide emergency housing, support, and empowerment to victims of violence. These services include safety planning, goal planning, basic needs, housing, advocacy, and support navigating the legal system.

- **Our crisis line accepted 340 calls**
- **23 persons experiencing sexual assault and/or domestic violence were served and we reached full capacity on transitional housing.**
Vast, Vibrant, and Vital: The Impact of SAAF Volunteers

By Chinna Garza, Volunteer Resources Coordinator

If you walk into any of the SAAF offices, there is a good chance the first face you encounter may be that of a volunteer, ready to greet you with a warm hello. The impact of SAAF Volunteers is felt throughout Arizona, as our volunteers devote their time to SAAF in a variety of ways, from spending an afternoon at the front desk to advocating on the front line for a healthier community through prevention and care services. Volunteer opportunities include delivering hot meals to homebound clients, acting as a familiar face to LGBTQ+ and allied youth at our Thornhill Lopez Center on 4th, assisting at large-scale fundraising events, working to fight stigma through harm-reduction programs, and so many other crucial roles that make the work of the Southern Arizona AIDS Foundation possible.

In One Year...

501 Total number of Volunteers
(76 have completed orientation)

7,165 Total number of Hours

$182,205.95 Value of Volunteer Hours

We are so thankful for the passion, dedication, and service SAAF Volunteers bring to our organization and community as a whole.

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SAAF Financials
FY 2018-2019

Revenue
- Grant & Contract Revenue: $9,722,333
- Community Based Revenues: $1,003,830
- Property Income: $980,499
- Investment & Other Income: $149,152
- Total Revenue: $11,855,814

Expenses
- Client Services: $8,077,854
- Prevention: $1,413,344
- Administration: $1,105,338
- Development: $629,818
- Community Resources: $22,907
- Total Expenses: $11,249,261

Change in Net Assets: $606,553
Beginning Net Assets: $5,699,060
Ending Net Assets: $6,305,613
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Your Impact Report
FY 2018-2019

"I volunteer with SAAF because it is a fun place to be. I live with HIV myself, and I have time so it all adds up for me. 1+1+1 is 3 and that means me being here when I can. People don’t know the scope of services SAAF provides other than just medical assistance. When people think of SAAF they think of death or sickness, but the organization does so much more for the community.”
- Marco

"It takes a village. Thank You!"

"Volunteering with FFL (Food for Life) is my small contribution to make our world a better place to live in, and it makes me feel good about myself. THANKS for letting me be part of FFL!"
- Edith

"Each week I go to our kitchen to help provide healthy meals to our clients. They have a lot of challenges in their lives and it is my privilege to help them manage in some small way. This SAAF effort doesn’t seem like much until you hand somebody their food for a week and have them thank you.”
- Patrick