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From the Executive Directors & Board President

“Are we there yet?” conjures up memories of long car rides experienced in our childhood. It seemed like we would never arrive at our destination. As we round the corner to the 35th anniversary of “discovering” HIV/AIDS, some might be asking the same question, “Are we there yet?”

This past year has been a very busy time on the journey. We have covered many miles in our caravan of 35 member agencies, funders and colleagues. We added some staff along the way and said good-bye to others. We completed an office consolidation and expanded east of the river. We added new programs and tuned-up some existing features to our “vehicle.” Here are some highlights: we began syringe services in Windham; assumed management of the Community Distribution Center; enhanced CMTI with online trainings; added Early Intervention Services (EIS); renovated the Connections Wellness Center; advocated for Overdose Prevention legislation; partnered with the Positive Prevention CT workgroup; and adopted new Standards of Care.

Thanks for supporting us on our journey this far. Sometimes “The road is long, With many a winding turns” indeed and we especially appreciate your financial and moral support throughout the year. We know that we are not alone and that gives us the strength to go that extra mile for our clients and our community.

Paul J. Botticello  John Merz  Robert Freeman
Co-Executive Director  Co-Executive Director  Board President
Are We There Yet?

In an effort to improve our services and programs, we periodically ask ourselves, “Are We There Yet?” The following describes some of the many ways we have attempted to fulfill our vision of advocating on behalf of all people living with HIV/AIDS in Connecticut to ensure a full range of quality housing and services necessary to maximize their potential and live their lives in dignity.

Care Services
ACT continued to provide and expand the following care services for our clients living with HIV. Medical case management with staff sited throughout Hartford, Tolland and Middlesex counties; Project TLC for individuals being released from incarceration; housing support and representative payee services; and a medication adherence program for clients who have difficulty following their medication regimens.

Connections Wellness Center
A renovation was completed and new office space was leased in order to better serve our clients at Connections. Individuals living with HIV come to the center for case management, medication adherence support, nutrition assistance, counseling, meals and social activities which allow them an important opportunity to connect with peers in a safe and positive environment.

Advocacy
It was a tough legislative session for many, but there were a couple of bright spots. AIDS funding – prevention, housing, syringe exchange – all remained intact during a very difficult budget fight. ACT’s AIDS
Awareness and Lobby Day Rally drew nearly 300 people to the Capitol, and featured guest speakers Governor Dannel Malloy, Lt. Governor Nancy Wyman, Chief of Staff Mark Ojakian, Comptroller Kevin Lembo, and Executive Director of the Office of the Healthcare Advocate, Vickie Veltri. After the rally staff and consumers met with their legislators.

**Community Distribution Center**
ACT assumed management of the Community Distribution Center, funded by the Connecticut Department of Public Health. The center is responsible for disseminating health education materials, condoms, lubricant and dental dams at no cost to individuals, schools, businesses, and community organizations in Connecticut. Throughout the year the center processed 965 orders, distributing 1,375,535 condoms and 108,830 printed materials. The center also worked with the Positive Prevention CT workgroup to distribute branded condom covers, lip balm and banners.

**Prevention & Outreach**
Prevention staff conducted 139 HIV/STI tests, conducted risk reduction counseling with 80 clients, provided a five-session behavioral intervention for 16 clients and conducted outreach with approximately 2,500 individuals.

**Syringe Exchange Program**
The Syringe Services Program staff exchanged over 164,000 syringes and had approximately 24,000 points of contact with clients. SSP staff made 81 referrals to substance use treatment. We served clients from 78 different towns and expanded syringe services to the Windham area.
Membership Services
This was an exciting time for our membership! The new Standards of Care and Acuity Index were approved. The annual membership gathering was a success and well attended by agencies and clients. We held an inspiring Annual Meeting with keynote speaker Achim Nowak, author of “Infectious”. The common theme for our membership was change, leadership, quality and togetherness. We worked closely on many projects which allowed for membership input and creativity.

Employment Services
ACT continued to participate in the Job Developer Leadership Network and increased our collaboration efforts with the Department of Labor. Your Employment Station (YES), an employment blog for case managers serving people living with HIV/AIDS, was introduced. The blog includes current job postings by region, recruitment information and employment resources.

Technical Assistance & Quality Assurance
Due to the new Standards of Care and Acuity Index, technical assistance was at an all-time high. Aside from individual TA, collectively ACT provided regional trainings in Hartford, New Haven and Bridgeport. We also visited member agencies to further research trainings and employment needs. Information gathered helped to develop and inform training opportunities.

Case Management Training Institute (CMTI)
Attendance increased in 2014, with over 200 case managers from 41 agencies attending CMTI trainings.
on topics including Understanding Depression, Anxiety and Trauma; Virologic Failure; Barriers to Treatment and Care; Stages of Care and Mental Health First Aid. An online training component was added and 6 courses were introduced throughout the year. 63 registered users benefitted from this new training tool.

**Financial Assistance**
Over 850 individuals and families received financial assistance to meet medical, housing and basic living needs through the Housing Assistance Fund, Client Assistance Fund, Emergency Housing Fund and the homeless assistance programs administered by ACT.

**Early Intervention Services (EIS)**
ACT assumed management of the EIS program, which targets people at high risk for HIV and those who are HIV positive but not in care. The Early Intervention Services staff conducted 98 HIV tests, connected over 80 HIV+ clients to care services and conducted outreach with approximately 300 individuals.

**Development**
In our continued effort to improve the lives of people impacted by HIV, ACT raised important funds through our events, appeals, workplace giving and general contributions. We kicked off 2014 with a Donor and Supporter Appreciation Reception and then moved on to a busy calendar of events which included Red Carpet Experience, Art for AIDS, AIDS Walk/Run, WE CAN: A Fashion Show with Mondo and a World AIDS Day Shopping Party.
Statement of Activities

Grants ........................................................................................................... $5,651,929
Contributions ............................................................................................... 143,801
Miscellaneous income .................................................................................. 2,510
Interest .......................................................................................................... 5,385
Realized and unrealized gains on investments .................................................. 22,624

Total Support and Revenue ........................................................................... 5,826,249

Prevention ....................................................................................................... 566,701
Syringe Exchange .......................................................................................... 165,743
Treatment and Care ....................................................................................... 1,503,636
Project TLC ................................................................................................... 311,390
Housing .......................................................................................................... 2,986,101
Other ............................................................................................................. 262,606
Management, general and fundraising ........................................................... 109,678

Total Expenses ............................................................................................ 5,905,855

Change in net assets, operations ...................................................................... (79,606)
Loss on disposal of assets ................................................................................ (2,319)
Change in net assets ....................................................................................... (81,925)
Net assets, beginning of year .......................................................................... 1,066,510

Net assets, end of year .................................................................................... $984,585
To all those who make it possible for us to continue to improve the lives of people affected by HIV/AIDS in Connecticut: our individual donors, corporate sponsors, in-kind donors, community agencies, state and federal government, volunteers, our dedicated board members, and all those who support our fundraising events throughout the year...
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