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ANNOUNCING TEENS AGAINST AIDS 4th ANNUAL OVC CAMP JULY 9 – 13, 2007

Teens Against AIDS is announcing its annual Orphans and Vulnerable Children (OVC) Youth Camp to be held in Tanzania from July 9 thru 13, 2007. **The camp is free to youth that qualify but participants must pay their own round trip transportation to the camp site and back home. Limited transportation assistance will be provided to members of TAA on a first come first serve basis.** Members are those individuals who have paid their annual membership fees of \$1, good for a year. There is no registration fee to all participants including none members.

This year's OVC camp will be hosted by the Tumaini Secondary school in Bunju-Boko, about fifty miles outside of Dar es Salaam. Campers must make arrangements to arrive in Dar es Salaam a day or two before the camp starts. Free accommodation will be arranged for early arrivals between the 7 and 8th. Selected campers will be provided with details to the campsite.

Registration is open to all vulnerable youth (you don't have to be an orphan) between the ages of 11 and 25 regardless of your country of citizenship. Registration has already started and is limited to 100 participants. Deadline for accepting applications will be June 20, 2007. If you need additional information send email to Victoria Nankya or Sergent Lusajjo using the email below.

Several exciting activities are planned for this year's camp. This is a place where underprivileged youth get a chance to be in a safe environment with people who care about them and want to see them succeed. Come ready to learn and share. Campers will learn how to pay for their education, avoid the dangers of HIV, develop leadership skills, organize youth in your own community, etc.

Interested in attending? Fill out the simple Application below and email it, attention to Victoria Nankya, 2007 OVC Camp coordinator at: tzteensagainstAIDS@hotmail.com

Major Financial Support for the OVC Camp is provided by, Firelight Foundation and Ark Foundation.

Please send an email in this order to tzteensagainstAIDS@hotmail.com
(no attachments please)

First and last name: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Country of residence: _____

Tell us about your family. (No more than 2 sentences)

Are you in school? _____ if yes, what class/grade: _____

What do you think you will contribute to other campers? Just a short paragraph (in the following languages, French, Luganda, English or Swahili)

What makes you a vulnerable youth? No more than 3 sentences please

Why should you attend this camp? No more than 2 sentences please

Building Blocks: Africa wide briefing notes

New briefing note now available from the Alliance:

Young children and HIV: Strengthening family and community support

The new Building Block Africa-wide briefing note on 'Young children and HIV' provides practical guidance on meeting the developmental needs of young children affected by HIV and the care and treatment needs of young children living with HIV. Focusing on children under eight years of age, it aims to help local organisations and service providers to strengthen family and community support for these children.

'Young children and HIV' is structured in two sections:

The first section describes the impact of HIV on the intellectual, emotional, psychological and social development of all young children and what organisations can do to help families and communities to meet children's developmental needs.

The second section describes the impact of HIV infection on young children and what organisations can do to support families and communities to provide good care and treatment for young children living with HIV.

Who is 'Young children and HIV' for?

This briefing note is intended for organisations that already have and are using *Building Blocks: Africa wide briefing notes*.

This and the other seven briefing notes in the series are designed to help communities and local organisations to support children made vulnerable by HIV and AIDS. As well as local NGOs and CBOs, the briefing notes may be useful for government and policy makers.

How can you get a copy 'Young children and HIV'?

· You can download a PDF of the this briefing note from the Alliance website at:

<http://www.aidsalliance.org/sw44797.asp>

How to order a printed copy?

If you need a printed copy please reply to this email with **Building Blocks** in the subject field.

How can you help more people get this resource?

We are keen to promote and distribute this resource as widely as possible. Please pass this information to others who may not have access to the same information as you by mentioning this new resource in your e-mail group or similar forum; on your website, and/or by creating a link to the Alliance website (<http://www.aidsalliance.org/sw44797.asp>).

This new briefing note was developed with support from UNICEF and The Bernard Van Leer Foundation and is the eighth in the Building Blocks series.

I hope you find these resources useful, and would welcome your comments.

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Manual describing Memory World from HealthLink Worldwide



The memory work trainer's manual guides trainers through a course to support parents, guardians and carers affected by HIV and AIDS, by helping them to:

- Share information, hopes and fears with their children
- Strengthen each child's sense of identity and belonging
- Plan for the future care of their children

The manual is written to support trainers with all levels of experience, but all with need some basic HIV and AIDS training and knowledge. It guides trainers through a course that is designed to be delivered to:

- Parents and other family members living with HIV and AIDS
- Future guardians of children affected by HIV and AIDS
- Community workers and volunteers working with children and families affected by HIV and AIDS

The training can be delivered to people with varying levels of education and we encourage the adaption of the manual to suit local needs. The manual can also be adapted to train future trainers to deliver the course.

The manual can be downloaded at: http://www.healthlink.org.uk/projects/hiv/imp_manual.html