

MISSION

To empower families through youth development programs that encourage youths to make healthy, educated decisions that would change their lives and their communities. Through extended after school care, youth employment services and financial literacy workshops, HIV/AIDS Prevention training along with other educational programs, the Bahamas Urban Youth Development Center hopes to make a difference by strengthening our communities, one family at a time.

PROGRAMS

Since its inception, BUYDC has focused its efforts on HIV/AIDS Prevention information to middle and high school students through its empowerment trainings, emphasizing abstinence as the most effective method of preventing unwanted pregnancies and other STIs including HIV & AIDS. BUYDC also focuses on addressing risky behavior through empowerment training and behavioral change communication. More recently, BUYDC has targeted most-at-risk populations, particularly female adolescent girls, young women who engage in transactional sex, and female sex workers

SUMMARY OF ACTIVITIES INCLUDES

- HIV/AIDS Prevention Education (Eligibility criteria)
- Confidential ORA Quick HIV Testing
- VCT and HIV Intervention
- Referrals of all participants testing positive to HIV & early intervention case management
- Information dissemination and demonstration of risk-reducing strategies
- Employability Skills training
- Job Search Assistance
- Dress for Success
- Street Outreach & Community Support
- FREE Condom demonstration, promotion and distribution



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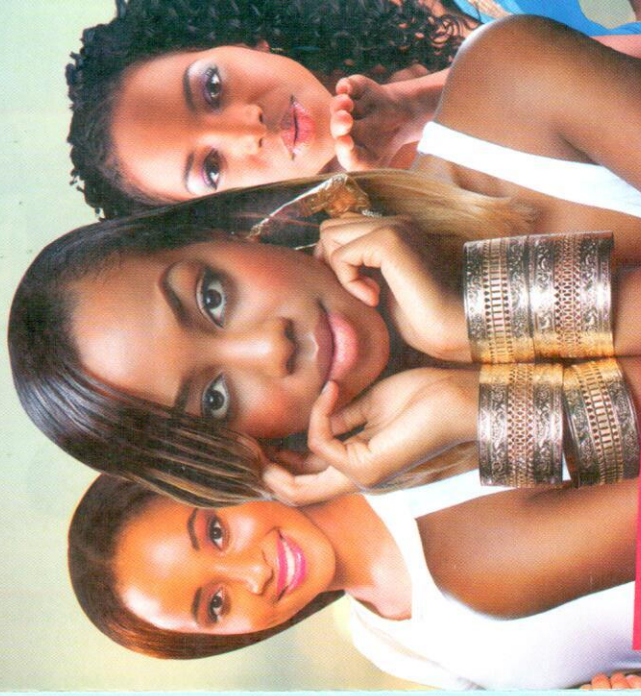


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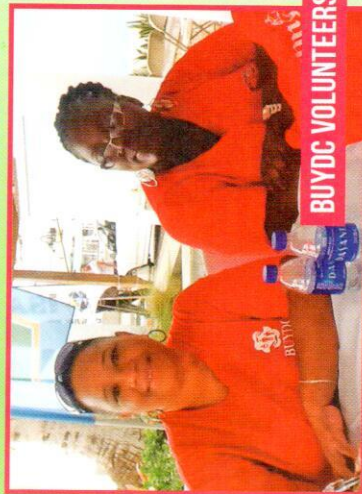
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BUYDC VOLUNTEERS

The **Bahamas Urban Youth Development Center (BUYDC)** has positioned itself as one of the leading non-governmental organization in the fight against HIV & AIDS - working exclusively with female adolescents and young women. It promotes human rights and advocates for gender equality with a view of increasing young women's capacity to make conscious and responsible sexual decisions. In existence since 2010, BUYDC is dedicated to assisting with the transformation of at-risk youth and other high risk groups with a focus on marginalize young women in the Bahamas, helping them to realize their self worth and full potential. It believes in preserving the self-respect and human rights of those living with HIV/AIDS, and offers an array of education and other interventions activities that aim to empower and promote behavioral change that responds positively to positive and negative HIV status.

EMPOWERING YOUNG PEOPLE

TO MAKE PROUD &

RESPONSIBLE CHOICES



HEALTHY CHOICES PROGRAM

This program seeks to promote abstinence as well as general teenage pregnancy prevention education for youths ages 11—17 years. The program incorporates HIV Awareness Education, Career Exploration and enrichment field trips in addition to group sessions. Hosted weekly, these sessions focus on a myriad of issues that face this population, inclusive of:

- Consequences of unprotected sex
- Benefits of abstaining
- Refusal and Negotiation Skills;
- Healthy relationships
- Making good decisions; Overcoming Peer Pressure

EMPLOYABILITY SKILLS WORKSHOP

The employability skills workshop educate persons with the basic skills necessary for getting, keeping and doing well on a job.

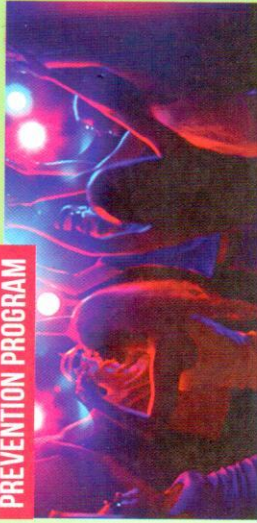
EMPLOYABILITY SKILLS WORKSHOP (CONT'D)...

Furthermore, the workshop offers job search assistance. The workshops are broken into three sessions that cover the following :

- Employability Skills
- Customer Service Skills
- Interviewing Skills & Mock Interview

ADVANCEMENT FOR HEALTH HIV/AIDS

PREVENTION PROGRAM



The Advancement for Health Workshop aims for the empowerment of women between the ages of 18 and 35 years involved in the sex trade. These women are educated about the various modes of HIV Transmission and Risk Reduction Strategies. Session topics includes, AIDS 101, Condom Education, and Money Management. Our Employability Skills & Job Search Assistance Workshops provides options for the women (optional) to seek alternative work. A4H Workshops are divided into three monthly sessions, AIDS 101, Condom Negotiation and Budgeting.



BUYDC DOWNTIME