

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Q: What is the fundraising goal for this year's AIDS Walk?

A: This year, we hope to raise over \$125,000 to directly support countywide HIV/AIDS prevention, care and advocacy efforts. Every dollar contributed will stay in Tacoma-Pierce County.

Q: What happens if it rains?

A: The AIDS Walk will be held rain or shine.

Q: Are pets allowed?

A: Leashed, well-behaved pets that are current with shots and licensing are allowed.

Q: Will the walk route be accommodating to strollers and wheelchairs?

A: The entire walk route is accessible to both strollers and wheelchairs. Additionally, route safety monitors are available to provide any assistance requested.

Q: Can children attend?

A: Everyone is welcome to participate in the AIDS Walk! Participants under the age of 18, however, must have a parent/guardian consent form filled out at the Registration Booths.

Q: Will food be available?

A: Metropolitan Market, a generous sponsor of the AIDS Walk, will be providing a morning snack to send us off and lunch to welcome us back! Starbucks Coffee Company will also be on site to provide everyone coffee. All food and drinks are provided free of charge!

Q: In the past, there has been an community art component to the AIDS Walk. Will that happen again this year?

A: Yes! This year's project is called "Preservation: Lives Not Lost." All walkers will have an opportunity to create a unique testimony to the AIDS pandemic. Bring small items and significant mementos, small enough to fit in a test tube, and join us in creating a lasting testimony of our fight against AIDS. The project is made possible with support from Tacoma Arts Commission.

Q: What kind of entertainment and resources will be available at the AIDS Walk?

A: The AIDS Walk is a family-friendly and festive event. We'll have high-energy musical entertainment, a community resources expo, a memorial ribbon making station, history panels of AIDS through the years, free HIV testing and counseling, and more!

Q: What if a person wants to participate but cannot on the day of the AIDS Walk?

A: Anyone is welcome to become a "virtual walker." A "virtual walker" raises funds by registering online, but does not physically participate in the AIDS Walk.

Q: Who should donation checks be made payable to?

A: Please have checks made out to "Pierce County AIDS Foundation" or "PCAF."

Q: Are donations tax-deductible?

A: Yes, they are!

Q: What if I have other questions? Where can I go to get the answers?

A: We would be happy to help! Please e-mail us at events@piercecounyaids.org or call us directly at (253) 383-2565.