

1 DECEMBER

World AIDS Day, observed annually on December 1st, serves as a crucial reminder of the ongoing fight against HIV/AIDS and a call to action for global solidarity and collaboration. This year's theme, "Equalize," emphasizes the need to address inequalities that impede progress towards ending AIDS as a public health threat by 2030.

- **Equity in access to HIV prevention, testing, and treatment:** This includes tackling geographical, socioeconomic, and gender-based barriers that prevent many people from accessing essential services.
- **Combating stigma and discrimination:** Discriminatory attitudes towards people living with HIV remain a significant obstacle to achieving UNAIDS's 90-90-90 targets: 90% of people living with HIV knowing their status, 90% of people who know their status on treatment, and 90% of people on treatment virally suppressed.
- **Empowering communities:** Engaging and empowering communities most affected by HIV is crucial for designing and implementing effective responses that meet their specific needs.
- **Investing in research and development:** Continued research is needed to develop new and improved HIV prevention, treatment, and care options.

WHAT YOU CAN DO TO COMMEMORATE WORLD AIDS DAY:

- Educate yourself and others: Learn about HIV/AIDS, its impact, and how to prevent its spread. Share information with your friends, family, and community
- Donate to organizations working on HIV/AIDS: Many organizations are working to combat HIV/AIDS around the world. Consider donating to one of these organizations to support their vital work
- Raise awareness: Participate in local events or organize your own event to raise awareness about HIV/AIDS
- Fight stigma and discrimination: Challenge discriminatory attitudes and behaviors towards people living with HIV
- Advocate for policies that promote HIV/AIDS prevention and treatment: Contact your elected officials and urge them to support policies that promote access to HIV prevention, testing, and treatment

Together, we can work towards a world where everyone has the opportunity to live a healthy and productive life, free from HIV/AIDS.



DRINK MORE WATER



WATER IS THE HEALTHIEST BEVERAGE OF ALL!

Staying hydrated is vital for your wellness and well-being. Dehydration can cause a lot of harm to the mind and body. It can also reduce your attentiveness at work. One should always start the day with a glass of water. Water is an essential ingredient for bodily function and the kidneys. Water helps to retain concentration and avoid toppling at work.

HERE ARE FEW BENEFITS OF DRINKING 7-8 GLASSES OF WATER EVERY DAY



Drinking water is much better than soda **for weight loss**



It carries oxygen and nutrients to the cells



It aids **in digestion**



It prevents constipation



Help normalize **blood pressure**



Stabilize the heart rate



It cushions joints



It protects body organs and tissues