

THE 2007 COURAGEOUS LEADERSHIP AWARD  AIDS
WORLD VISION HONORS CHURCHES
STRATEGICALLY IMPACTING THE AIDS PANDEMIC

APPLICATION

By taking the time to fill out and submit this application, your church will not only be considered for The Courageous Leadership Award, but your story also will serve to educate and inspire other church leaders to get actively engaged in responding to the AIDS pandemic.

1. Please download this page and use it as the cover page of your application.

CONTACT INFORMATION

Name of Church _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Fax _____

Senior Pastor _____

Key Contact (if not the senior pastor) _____

Phone Number _____ Email _____

CHURCH INFORMATION

Denomination _____

Date Founded _____

Total Church Membership _____

Weekend Service Attendance _____

Annual Budget _____

Budget Committed to AIDS Initiative _____

Describe briefly what initially inspired your church to address the AIDS pandemic.*

I verify that all of the information contained in this application is accurate and true, to the best of my knowledge.

Signature

Position in the Church

2. Submit a detailed narrative* (in English and no more than 4 pages in 10 point font or larger) **describing your church's AIDS initiative to include the following information.** (Keep in mind, a concise, well-organized narrative has an advantage over a lengthy, rambling one.)

- To what geographic location are you directing your efforts?
- Specific needs you are addressing (prevention, treatment, care, advocacy, education, etc.) and the rationale behind your efforts.
- How long have you been involved in this initiative?
- Specific goals and objectives, current results to date, and expected outcomes in the next 12 months.
- Who is your initiative impacting most?
- How have you built sustainability into your plan in order to have long-term impact?
- Resources committed to the initiative (funding, volunteers, gift-in-kind, etc.).
- Number of staff and volunteers engaged in the initiative.
- Congregation and community involvement and how you have educated and motivated them to get involved.
- What specific impact has your initiative had on the AIDS crisis?
- What specific impact has your AIDS initiative had on your church?
- How will you use the money if it is awarded to your church?

3. You may also choose to include: (optional)

- Testimonials (up to 3, no more than 1 page each)
- Photographs
- Short video (no more than 5 minutes)
- Brochures or printed information

4. Instructions for submitting application:

- a) Please submit your completed application (cover page and detailed narrative describing your church's AIDS initiative), with all attachments in one package by mail. Must be postmarked no later than March 31, 2007.
- b) Please do NOT bind your presentation as it makes it difficult to duplicate.
- c) Please submit your entry to:

The Courageous Leadership Award
Attention: Lisa Hartman
Willow Creek Association
PO Box 3188
So Barrington, IL 60011-3188

Deadline date is March 31, 2007, but we encourage you to apply early.

Please note: Please keep duplicates of all materials you send, as we will not be able to return anything to you.

All applications will be reviewed by a Working Committee, including key staff members of World Vision and Willow Creek Association. Final award winners will be chosen by a Recommending Committee to include board members of World Vision and Willow Creek Association as well as outside experts in the field of HIV and AIDS relief.

All entries chosen to be in the top 10 will be verified and a site visit may be required.

**Submission of your application implies permission to use your story on our website or other venues as a way to inspire and encourage other church leaders to get involved in AIDS relief.*