



African Services is a non-profit organization dedicated to improving the health and self-sufficiency of the African community.

We provide health, housing, legal, educational, and social services to over 10,000 newcomers each year in New York City with a focus on HIV prevention, care and support. We also work on the frontlines of the global AIDS epidemic; operating four clinics in Ethiopia and through advocacy and policy work in the U.S. and abroad.

#### On the Cover:

## BIANCA FUNGALOI

"There are no words to describe how grateful I am for African Services. Everyone was so warm and welcoming, and I realized I was not alone and that there were people out there to support me. I went from planning my death, to looking forward to my life."

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It has been said that **from humble beginnings come great things**. While I sit down to write this letter, it has never seemed more apt than now as we look back on African Services' **thirty years of service** to the immigrant community.

In 1981, Asfaha Hadera arrived in New York City, a refugee from the conflict plaguing his home country of Ethiopia. He was among a wave of African immigrants flooding into the United States during the eighties. Rather than sit idly by, Asfaha felt compelled to assist his fellow compatriots. In the summer of that year, in his Bronx basement apartment, the Committee to Aid Ethiopian Refugees was born.

It wasn't long before the need continued to grow, and with the addition of co-executive director Kim Nichols, African Services Committee—minted with that name in 1994—grew along with it. As AIDS began ravaging the population, African Services joined the fight by offering HIV testing and support services. ASC monitored the needs and trends within the community and continued to adapt its services to the needs of the immigrant and local community including legal services, translation services, housing assistance, nutritional assistance and more. ASC has helped thousands of recent immigrants establish themselves in their new home.

Going back to its roots, ASC returned to Ethiopia to fight the HIV epidemic head on. In only 8 years of operation, ASC Ethiopia has opened 4 clinics throughout the country, offering HIV testing, care and support services; pediatric HIV care; nutrition programs; and ART treatment. Serving over 17,000 clients each year, ASC Ethiopia is known as one of the premiere non-governmental HIV/AIDS service organizations working in the country.

2011 was a year of change and turmoil. The world financial crisis deepened; funding for social services was deeply depleted; and in many parts of the world citizens took to the streets in protest for more democratic governance, more equitable financial reforms, and human rights. Despite challenging circumstances, Kim and Asfaha have guided ASC through these times and not only maintained critically needed services, but have also enabled the organization to stay strong, steady and consistent in its mission. Despite a 65% cut in ASC's testing budget and a complete cut in ASC's English as a Second Language budget in 2011, ASC has been able to serve more clients than ever before and continues to grow. This is a testament to the leadership at ASC, as well as the staff members who are truly invested in their clients and the work that they are doing in the community.

It makes me so proud to be a supporter and a board member of an organization that plays such an important and essential role in the community. From humble beginnings come great things. I can only imagine what is to come for African Services Committee in the future.

DR. RODNEY WRIGHT | Board Member

Dr. Wright is the Director of HIV Programs in the Department of Obstetrics & Gynecology and Women's Health at the Montefiore Medical Center in the Bronx and is Co-Director of Women's HIV Programs at the Bronx Lebanon Hospital Center. Dr. Wright is also an Assistant Professor at the Albert Einstein College of Medicine, focusing his research and educational work on the care of women living with HIV both in the US and internationally.





## ALLIES IN THE FIGHT

## NOURISHING THE COMMUNITY

## 2011 HIGHLIGHTS: 30

Since 1994, African Services Committee has provided comprehensive case management to thousands of HIV-positive immigrants and their families. Our staff of licensed social workers and case managers serve as **personal advocates** and allies for each client by helping them achieve the goals they set for themselves. Case workers play a critical role in assisting clients coping with new diagnoses and connecting them to care and assistance, including our housing program, Independent Living Skills program, support groups, ESL classes, and food pantry.

In 2011, our five case managers helped over 247 clients get back on their feet and **rebound** from an HIV diagnosis. Many clients say that when they walk through African Services' doors, they feel like they've come "home." This feeling is owed in great part to our caring, dedicated case managers, who support clients' efforts to realize the healthy, productive lives they deserve. \*\*

With hunger still prevalent among New York's immigrants and the city as a whole, African Services is working to reduce its impact within our community. ASC's food pantry offers vital support to those who need it most, including families and the HIV positive population. Clients enjoy both hot meals and pantry bags, packages containing fourteen meals worth of fresh produce and high-quality grains, distributed bi-weekly. Partnerships with nearby businesses ensure that the food is of the highest quality. Central Harlem Community Supported Agriculture Program, for example, provides a new yield of fresh, local, organic produce every week.

The recent economic downturn spurred a simultaneous increase in demand for food services and decrease in funding. Despite severe cuts, however, African Services has continued to deliver nutritious essentials each week to people in need. Over the last year, we have delivered over 2,600 pantry bags to community members, helping them to stay fed and healthy during these difficult times. \*\*







NOV 1982



Our refugee resettlement program begins in NYC



Asfasha Hadera founds the Committee to Aid Ethiopian Refugees We open our first office at the Community Church of New York

#### **MARCH 1991**

We launch our HIV prevention outreach program for African immigrants



## **READING AND** SPEAKING ENGLISH IN AMERICA



## HONORED FOR **EXCELLENCE**

## COUNTING YEARSA

Attempting to establish a new life in a new country without speaking its dominant language is no small feat. Immigrants can easily feel lost, isolated and with limited opportunities. African Services offers **ESL classes free of charge**, not only to help improve the communication skills of these newcomers but to equip them with the tools and confidence they need to become contributing members of their new communities. Students can enroll in a traditional ESL class or a course on basic literacy, which is particularly helpful for those who had no opportunity to attend school in their country of origin.

Despite a complete cut in funding this year, African Services ESL classes have continued to empower the immigrant community through language, thanks to the efforts of dedicated volunteer teachers and persistent students. This year, over 50 students participated in ESL classes at basic and literacy levels, improving their verbal and written skills and leaving classes with new tools for success. Longtime resident Sarah Komara is hoping to use her new reading and writing skills to apply for citizenship, while newcomer Mabinti Conde is focusing on conversation. With a smile, she reminded us "if you want to learn, you can, when you have such good teachers!" « With over 30 years of serving the immigrant community, it's no surprise that local organizations and supporters have taken notice of African Services' excellent work. ASC was honored on multiple occasions with awards and grants recognizing the excellence and impact of our work.

African Services was privileged to receive the inaugural Calderone City Health Award. This award is awarded to an organization that has demonstrated outstanding dedication to grassroots work in the field of public health in New York City. ASC exemplifies this award perfectly. In addition, ASC was recognized by national and local African organizations including Applause Africa and AfriMETRO as "Organizations of the Year" for our exemplary services to the community. We don't need to be honored for the work that we do, but it feels good to know that people are noticing and appreciating the contributions we make to the African immigrant community. «





We begin HIV legal services & case management for immigrants and their families



Our HIV Housing Program begins

Our name changes to African Services Committee

**DEC 1994** 

Services special consultative status to the United Nations



he legal landscape for African and Caribbean immigrants in New York can be exceedingly difficult to navigate. Numerous unscrupulous services take payment from desperate immigrants in exchange for the promise of justice, protection, or a green card that will never come. Even reputable service organizations often lack the language capacity and cultural competency to work effectively with many immigrants. This is where African Services Committee enters the process and fills a void in service to the community. The African Services' legal department stands out for its consistent record of success across a spectrum of cases.

The diversity of the department's caseload is vast, and yet this small team of dedicated legal professionals manages to give unrivaled support and guidance to African Services' clients. The legal team takes on custody cases and fights for visitation rights and guardianship, helping keep families safe and united. They offer legal advocacy for clients in applying for public benefits, food stamps and unemployment. They represent clients in a wide variety of HIV-related cases, helping to assert the rights of victims of stigma and discrimination in the workplace and at home. In 2011, the need for quality immigration representation skyrocketed, and the legal team admirably met the challenge. Staff assist newly arrived immigrants seeking to navigate the complex processes of gaining asylum, securing visas, and applying for citizenship. These cases frequently require years of diligent work: meeting filing deadlines, consulting with clients, and constructing arguments. Take the case of Mamadou Madiou Bah, a former political prisoner in Guinea whose petition for asylum was approved



in November after over two years of interviews, negotiations and court dates, through representation from staff attorney Chitra Aiyar. Upon receiving the good news, Mr. Bah was excited to finally begin to build a life here in New York remarking, "I feel like somebody who has won a prize... Everything was closing in front of me...Now, I have the freedom to start my life again." Mr. Bah, a former professor, was recently accepted to the Columbia School of International and Public Affairs and will begin his studies in the fall of 2012.

To meet the growing needs of our clients, African Services' team of highly qualified and committed legal fellows and volunteers have proven particularly indispensable. Fellows Christine Chiu and Kate Stinson are supported by major law firm pro-bono programs to work full-time for African Services on gender-based violence and human trafficking cases. This year, they have served dozens of people seeking asylum from violence in their home countries or who were trafficked into the U.S. against their will.

In 2011, African Services' added a nominal fee clinic, allowing us to expand into additional areas of immigration law. While most of our legal services are grant-funded for HIV-related legal issues, the addition of this clinic allows for quality representation for anyone who walks through the door at a far lower cost than would be available at for-profit law firms.

Even without advertising or major announcements, word has spread quickly, says Olubunmi Segun, the lead attorney for the clinic. "We receive calls each week now from people who've heard of the clinic through







We play a key role in the first UN General Assembly Special Session on AIDS

#### **APRIL 2002**

African Services joins the NGO Communities delegation to the board of the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, TB and Malaria

#### **JANUARY 2003**

African Services becomes the North American representative to the UNAIDS Coordinating Board

African Services moves to Harlem their labor union and even 311." Recently, Safouratou Abdoulaye of Togo received the first green card applied for through the clinic, and has enrolled in GED classes with hopes of becoming a nurse. Despite the challenges of a diverse and ever-growing caseload, the legal team boasts an impressive success rate. Among roughly 350 cases in 2011, our lawyers achieved positive settlements or successful verdicts in almost every one, including a perfect record in immigration cases.

Andrea Panjwani, our Supervising Attorney, gives credit to African Services Committee's other service resources and allies around the city for making the year's legal successes possible. "Presenting your story to an attorney can often be traumatic for clients," she explains. "Many of them are voicing these fears, anxieties, and problems for the first time in their lives." Clearly, clients need more than legal assistance alone, and African Services offers a unique resource in our support groups. In these multilingual groups, clients can speak with peers who have shared their experience with domestic violence, human trafficking, or HIV discrimination in a safe environment.

Navigating the complex maze of our judicial system is a daunting task for anyone. Adding poverty, fear and an unfamiliarity with our language and culture to this challenge translates to severe vulnerability. African Services recognizes the danger of this equation and applies the compassion and expertise of its legal staff to protect and empower our clients. \*\*



or Bianca Fungaloi, the issue of HIV was never at the forefront of her mind. Having immigrated from Suriname to New York City in 2001 with her husband, she had been in a seemingly monogamous relationship for over 20 years. It wasn't until 2008, when her husband became ill, and she was delivered the news that he was HIV positive, that HIV became personal. Given that he was her long-term partner, the prognosis for Bianca was grim, and she made the arrangements to get tested.

"I was shocked. I was a married woman—15 years of marriage—and I never once considered the possibility of HIV. I diagnosed myself before I even went to get tested." described Bianca.

The next day Bianca went to the nearest clinic and her fears were confirmed, as the test results were positive for HIV. It was particularly devastating news, as her husband had fallen into a coma and she was faced with the daunting task of not only coming to terms with her diagnosis, but also dealing with





#### JULY 2003

African Services Ethiopia is established, launching our first testing center in Addis Ababa

#### **MARCH 2005**

Our second clinic in Ethiopia opens, a publicprivate partnership to serve employees of BGI and greater Amhara Region



#### **SEPT 2005**

African Services Ethiopia marks an important milestone -25,000 HIV tests provided



#### **MAY 2006**

We celebrate our 25th anniversary in NYC

the impending death of her husband and the task of caring for her three children alone.

"I mentally prepared to die," said Bianca, "All I could think about was 'what's going to happen to my children? How will they survive?"

Following the death of her husband, her first priority was securing housing for herself and her three children. Losing his income made it impossible for Bianca to afford to stay in their current living situation, or so she thought. Following a recommendation by a friend in Queens, Bianca took the subway up to Harlem and visited African Services Committee for the first time. She met with housing coordinator, Aida Diallo, who welcomed her into the African Services family. Within one month of meeting with Aida, ASC secured financial assistance for Bianca, allowing her to keep her family in their home.

"I was dealing with so much at once, that I really neglected to take care of myself," shared Bianca, "but once I walked into African Services Committee I felt at home immediately. Aida connected me with a case manager, Mary Kay Diakite, and she helped me realize that I needed to also focus on myself."

Through her meetings with Mary Kay, Bianca was able to come to terms with her HIV diagnosis, and was enrolled in the NY AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP). Additionally, Bianca began attending support group meetings.

"The support group meetings, and coming to ASC in

general, were the best things that could have happened to me. Suddenly, I was surrounded by women who were dealing with the same things I was. I wasn't alone. It truly allowed me to deal with my diagnosis and come to peace with it. I was no longer thinking, 'what do I do to prepare for death'...I was thinking 'what do I do to prepare for life, to support my family and to support myself?'" said Bianca.

Through her involvement with African Services Committee Bianca realized that she had so many opportunities before her, including finally filing for her legal permanent residency status. Working with legal fellow, Kate Stinson, Bianca was able to file for her green card and was given temporary authorization, allowing her to work and support her family. Bianca had received an advanced degree in Mathematics in her home country of Suriname, and immediately began tutoring students in Mathematics.

Throughout this experience, Bianca has persevered and is looking forward to a bright future. She has found her calling to work as an HIV and youth advocate, and is currently studying at York College. Knowing how she struggled, she hopes that no one else has to go through the experience alone or to feel ostracized.

"You know, looking back on it I am actually thankful for the diagnosis. It changed me...it changed me in the way I look at people and the way I look at life. HIV has taught me to love myself and to take care of myself. If I don't take care of myself, I can't take care of others," says Bianca, "and I truly credit African Services for helping me get to this point and for giving me the hope and desire to move ahead."





Doors open at our third clinic in Mekele, Northern Ethiopia

#### **MAY 2008**

Pediatric HIV care is begun at all three clinics in Ethiopia

#### **MAY 2009**

African Services Co-executive Director joins UNITAID as NGO alternate board member

#### **JUNE 2009**

Love & Let live, the first African-language HIV awareness campaign launches in NYC

# CONSTANTLY ADAPTING

# "The art of life is constant readjusting to your surroundings." кагико ококаига

frican Services Committee's health programs focus on assisting immigrants who struggle to access quality care. "The people who seek assistance from African Services are those who can't navigate the mainstream health system alone," explains Director of Program Operations Mulusew Bekele. "Most don't speak English, so it's hard for them to gain access to preventive, acute, or chronic care." African Services recognizes this struggle and works hard to connect clients with appropriate, affordable care. Yet to determine the correct course of action in improving clients' health, the first step is to assess the their health challenges with a holistic perspective – this is the function of the African Services Testing Center.

The Center offers a wide range of tests, almost all of which are available free of charge. While the center primarily focuses on HIV tests, clients can also benefit from TB, STI, hepatitis B and C, blood pressure, diabetes, and pregnancy tests. In total, more than 3000 clients received tests in 2011.

This year, the Center faced several new challenges, with budget cuts impacting both the Center itself and the outreach programs it depends on to inform and engage its clientele. Still, as the Center's director, Alice Clomegah, put it, "We adapt." Despite reduced staffing, the Center continued to serve hundreds of patients each month as well as expanding tests offered. This past year, the Testing Center added Hepatitis B tests and has administered 119 to date.

Alice describes the Testing Center as a major, "point of entry" at African Services. Clients frequently come for a test and end up taking advantage of other services. Testing results and consultation with patients may lead testing center workers to refer new clients to our housing, case management, medical interpretation, legal services, and even ESL classes. The Testing Center has proven to be a gateway for clients to gain access to multiple forms of assistance.

Take, for instance, the story of Cécile, who came to New York from Cameroon in 2010. She became ill after a couple of months in the city and, worried about her health, took the advice of a friend to visit African Services for a free HIV test.

Cécile tested positive for HIV. Testing center staff immediately connected her to medical care and other resources. Over the last year, she began working with an individual case manager who helped introduce her to our food pantry program and helped her find secure housing. She was also referred to African Services' women's support groups and has been attending ever since. "They're truly fantastic," she explained. "My first few months here, I'd lost my joie de vivre. The support group helped me find it again." Without the Testing Center, Cécile may not have discovered her HIV status or been connected to appropriate care and support. Now working at a hair salon, Cécile is enjoying life in New York with new friends and a new community at African Services.

1 Name changed to protect identity.













**APRIL 2010** 

We celebrate 10 years based in Harlem Ziway Clinic opening in Ethiopia

**OCT 2010** 

**DEC 2010** 

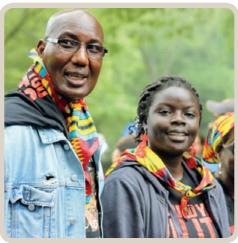
ASC begins antiretroviral treatment provision in Ethiopia **APRIL 2011** 

30 Year Anniversary

#### **MAY 2011**

ASC Receives the Calderone City Health Award





"Never be afraid to raise your voice for honesty and truth and compassion against injustice and lying and greed. If people all over the world would do this, it would change the earth."

#### - WILLIAM FAULKNER

has been a voice of honesty, truth and compassion within the African and Caribbean immigrant community in New York City. Central to our founding mission, we have worked tirelessly to educate and empower the immigrant population and assist them in building a strong African advocacy voice in the United States and abroad.

This work takes on many forms within the organization as we work to spread the word to communities near and far about the services and assistance we offer. In 2011, African Services' advocacy department continued to work on behalf of all immigrants, furthering proimmigrant policies by contributing to the national and international dialogue for just immigration practice



# OF INSPIRING THE COMMUNITY





and legal reform. In 2011, African Services' policy advocate, Bakary Tandia, was invited to attend and contribute to a White House briefing organized by Cecilia Munoz, Director of the White House Office of Intergovernmental Affairs. During her briefing, African Services' work in organizing and mobilizing the African immigrant community was highlighted. African Services was also invited to be a founding member of the "30 for 30 Campaign," which aims to highlight the unique needs of women living with HIV/AIDS. Amanda Lugg, Director of Advocacy, was invited to address the US Conference on AIDS in 2011 on the "We Can End AIDS" mobilization taking place at the International AIDS Conference in July 2012. African Services is serving as an anchor organization for the event, hoping to mobilize hundreds of thousands of people for a mass demonstration, fighting for additional funding for HIV prevention and treatment.

In collaboration with the New York City Department

of Health, African Services continues its HIV antistigma communications campaign. Stigma remains one of the leading barriers to HIV prevention, testing and treatment, and the organization is committed to fighting the stigma and discrimination against those living with HIV/AIDS. In 2011, ASC expanded on its Would You Do It? Campaign. The campaign continued to feature influential members of the African immigrant community, including Bouna Coundoul, the goalkeeper for New York's Major League soccer team, the New York Red Bulls. Marketing teams hit the streets of Harlem to distribute promotional materials for the campaign, and thanks to a new media partnership with PMD Promotions, we blanketed Harlem and the South Bronx with over 400 posters. With the continued success and recognition of the campaign throughout uptown Manhattan and Bronx neighborhoods, we look forward to continuing to challenge the community to stand up for those living with HIV...would you do it? «



ven though I fled a terrorist regime in Ethiopia in 1977, my mind never left its people...and it was always my dream to go back and make an impact there..." – Asfaha Hadera, Co-Executive Director

In 1981, Asfaha Hadera founded African Services Committee in a small basement apartment in the Bronx after escaping the violence and political upheaval of his native Ethiopia. Although he left his homeland, he never forgot about its people and the dire need that remained. In 2003, Asfaha fulfilled a dream when he established the first African Services Committee HIV clinic in Ethiopia—bringing African Services' community-based HIV testing model to the front lines of the epidemic. Nine years later, African Services Committee in Ethiopia continues to expand

its services and support to a community in desperate need of help.

2011 was a remarkable year for operations in Ethiopia and marked huge strides in the area of testing, prevention and treatment for those living with HIV. In the fall of 2010, African Services opened its fourth clinic in Ethiopia. In collaboration with Castel Wineries, ASC opened a testing and sexual and reproductive health clinic in Ziway province. In only its first year of operation, African Services has assisted over 150,000 people in learning their HIV status.

Additionally, African Services received certification from the Ethiopian Ministry of Health to become one of only a few non-governmental clinics allowed to administer anti-retroviral treatment (ART) to





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- ASFAHA HADERA

our outpatient patients. In 2011 we began receiving stocks of antiretrovirals, medicines to prevent and treat opportunistic infections, and diagnostic reagents, which allow both the Shola Market and Mekele clinics to treat HIV positive patients. This development allows us to provide the entire range of HIV prevention, testing, treatment & services for the dozens of clients we see every day in each ASC clinic.

African Services Ethiopia also continued its work with our local partners, including TOMS shoes and Vitamin Angels. Through our partnership with TOMS shoes, we distributed almost 9,000 pairs of shoes to local children. Vitamin Angels, a vital partner in our pediatric and maternal health HIV program, continues to supply our enrolled children and their

mothers with essential nutritional supplements to complement HIV treatment. In 2011 alone, African Services and Vitamin Angels distributed vitamins to over 1,900 children and families. In addition to the supplements, African Services Committee also distributes supplemental nutritious food to all of the HIV positive children enrolled in our centers' programs.

Every year, we face challenges from budget crises to drought, yet African Services Committee in Ethiopia continues to expand its services and reach within the community. 2011 was without doubt a banner year for our operations there, and we look forward to the day when we celebrate our 30th anniversary of operations in Ethiopia.





## FINANCIAL STATEMENT

## 2011 2010

2,711,756

550,474

3,262,250

2,366,984

478,716

2,845,700

## Support & Revenue

SUPPORT

Grants and Contracts	2,745,800	2,618,035
Contributions	616,070	528,173
Total Support	3,361,870	3,146,208
Revenue		
Miscellaneous Income	18,367	33,821
Total Support & Revenue	3,380,237	3,180,029
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Expenses		
PROGRAM SERVICES	4.244.665	4 447 50 4
Health Services	1,311,665	1,117,524
Housing Services	322,212	343,783
Legal Assistance	323,047	316,276
Social Services	367,102	323,668
International Program	387,730	265,733
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## Change in Net Assets

**Total Program Services** 

SUPPORTING SERVICES

**Total Expenses** 

Management and General

Net Assets at End of Year	1,279,678	1,161,671
Beginning of Period (as adjusted)	1,161,671	827,342
Net Assets (deficit)	118,007	334,329

# FUNDING AND SUPPORT

#### Government

#### **FEDERAL**

Federal Emergency Management Agency

#### **INTERGOVERNMENTAL**

United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA)

#### STATE AND LOCAL

New York State Department of Health; AIDS Institute

New York State Employees Federated Appeal

New York City Bureau of Maternal, Infant and Reproductive Health

New York City Council

New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene

(CDC, HRSA, HUD/HOPWA)

New York City Department of Youth and Community Development

City University of New York Campaign

## **Corporations & Foundations**

Amerigroup Foundation

Champion Courier

Children Affected by AIDS Foundation

Macy's Inc.

Aid for Africa

Moving Man, Inc.

The New York City AIDS Fund

AIDS Walk New York

Becton, Dickinson and Company

**BGI** Ethiopia

Chembio Diagnostic Systems

The Corkery Group

Dell Employee Giving Program

**Epstein Family Foundation** 

**Ethiopian Airlines** 

Fairway Market

Ford Foundation

High Mowing Seeds

H. van Ameringen Foundation

The Hyde and Watson Foundation

The Izumi Foundation

John M. Lloyd Foundation

Literary Assistance Center, Inc.

MAC AIDS Fund

The Nathan Cummings Foundation

**SAGE** 

United Way of New York City

## FUNDING AND SUPPORT

## Individual Donors by Giving Level

#### \$10,000+

Francesca Calderone-Steichen

#### \$5,000-\$9,999

Addie Guttag Michael Smith

#### \$1,000-\$4,999

Gary and Laurie Cohen Nadya Salcedo James Webster Nathalie Weeks

#### \$500 to 999

James & Jane Cohan Michael Hirschorn & Jimena Martinez Greg Nichols Betty Williams

#### \$300 to 499

T. Richard Corcoran Neeraj Mistry Carl & Afaf Mahfouz Schieren Daniel and Marijke Velzeboer

#### \$200 to 299

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Jeannette & Gertrude Lepine
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Sandra A. Abramson

#### \$100-\$199

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"Watching the improvement of the ESL students during my time here at ASC has been such a rewarding and fulfilling experience. African Services is truly a special place."

-Ashley Fent,ESL Volunteer

## FUNDING AND SUPPORT

## **Special Partners**

**ACRIA** 

Africa Action

Blue Marble Ice Cream

Brooklyn Law School

Cardoza School of Law

Central Harlem Community Supported Agriculture Program

Chembio Diagnostics Systems

Children Affected by AIDS Foundation

City Council Member Inez Dickens

City Council Member Robert Jackson

Columbia University School of Social Work

Columbia University School of Law

Dinsiri Fikru

Mackenzie Crone

Ethiopia Federal Ministry of Health

The Fresh Air Fund

**GMHC** 

Sue & Judy Greenwald

Ruth Gruen

Health GAP

**HIV Law Project** 

The Mayor's Office of Immigrant Affairs

Medica Pharma

New York State Department of Health & Mental Hygiene

New York City Health and Hospitals Corporation

New York Cares

New York Immigration Coalition

New York University

Public Health Solutions

Queen of Sheba Ethiopian Restaurant

Dr. Michael Smith

Sydney Dennison

TOMS Shoes

UNAIDS

United Way of NYC

Vitamin Angels

"Having the opportunity to intern at ASC was an outstanding experience.
ASC's staff and clients make the organization truly special, and I was honored to have been a part of that."

Jessica Greenberg,Legal Intern

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