HIV AND AIDS EDUCATION
Social Policy Resolution
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Adopted by the 2005 Churchwide Assembly.

Resolved
To receive with gratitude the memorials of the Southwestern Pennsylvania Synod and Southeastern Synod related to HIV and AIDS education; and

To refer the memorials to the Division for Church in Society (or the appropriate churchwide unit) with the request that the unit collaborate with the Lutheran AIDS Network (LANET), the Ecumenical Advocacy Alliance, and other ecumenical and interfaith efforts within the guidelines of “Faithful Yet Changing,” the Plan for Mission in the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, and the financial and human resources available.

To immediately respond to the call for advocacy in the memorials by urging ELCA advocacy ministries and other churchwide units, as well as synods and congregations, to give immediate attention to two significant measures that will be considered by Congress in the fall of 2005: 1) the re-authorization of the Ryan White Care Act; and 2) administration initiatives to secure major funding and release the current funding promised by the president of the United States to fight HIV-AIDS in Africa.