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### ***AIDS ATHENS RELEASES ANNUAL REPORT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2008 - 2009***

AIDS Athens is pleased to announce the release of our annual report for fiscal year 2008 – 2009. As the organization enters its 22<sup>nd</sup> year of service to the Northeast Georgia, this report gives us an opportunity to thank our donors, volunteers and community partners whose tireless support has helped us strengthen and expand our services during these trying times. This report also provides us the opportunity to demonstrate the effectiveness of our services and outreach while also highlighting the difference your support has helped us make in the community.

During fiscal year 2008 - 2009, the organization saw a significant advancement of its mission. The organization's first priority is to enrich the quality of life for those infected with HIV/AIDS. The second main goal is to prevent the spread of the disease through education and outreach. The following are highlights of the many accomplishments of 2008 – 2009:

- Served 353 individuals and families
- Housed 56 homeless individuals, prevented 53 families from becoming homeless and provided subsidized housing to 33 low-income families
- Fed 128 households a month
- Performed 2,473 case management services
- Administered 507 HIV tests
- Conducted 51 community outreach events

To view our entire annual report as well as an evaluation of program effectiveness, please visit our website at [http://www.aidspathens.org/about\\_us\\_annual\\_report.php](http://www.aidspathens.org/about_us_annual_report.php)

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**AIDS Athens, Inc. is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization that serves to address the needs of individuals infected and affected by HIV/AIDS through support services and to prevent the spread of the disease through education and outreach. AIDS Athens serves the 10-County Northeast Georgia Health District which includes Jackson, Clarke, Greene, Oglethorpe, Walton, Barrow, Oconee, Madison, Elbert and Morgan Counties.**