

World AIDS Day 2018

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December 1, 2018

Saturday, December 1, marks the 30th annual World AIDS Day (WAD). First observed in 1988 by what is now called the Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS), the day is a time for the world to come together in solidarity in the fight against the epidemic, to show support for those living with the virus and to remember those lost to it.

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For a collection of related WAD articles in POZ—including blogs, essays, a calendar of events and more—click on [#World AIDS Day](#). For example, you'll find out why a blogger writes "[My Life Changed Forever on World AIDS Day 2014](#)," you'll read about how "[Advocates Release Road Map to End U.S. HIV Epidemic by 2025](#)," and you can watch a video of how "[Vice President Mike Pence addressed the nation with remarks in honor of World AIDS Day](#)."

The [HIV.gov page](#) includes downloadable images to share on social media, information on where to find HIV testing sites and care services and ideas on how to plan and promote WAD and HIV-related events.
