



The Bonaire Youth Foundation (BYOF) produced a HIV/AIDS Awareness Youth Movie which was acted, filmed, edited and produced by youth.

Who's involved?

Project leaders: Dennis Martinus and Tansy Piar

Lead organisation: Bonaire Youth Outreach Foundation

Other organisations: Local High School; Health Department of local government

Timeframe: December 2010-March 2011

Objectives:

- To dispel myths and misconceptions and fight unnecessary HIV/AIDS related discrimination,

- To empower young people, to promote their rights and to inform them about how HIV can and cannot be transmitted, and how they can protect themselves,
- To discuss sexuality and sexually transmitted diseases more openly,
- To encourage youth to get tested on HIV/AIDS and STDs.

Activities:

The BYOF produced a HIV/AIDS Awareness Youth Movie, entitled "Nayza" and based on a true story, which was acted, filmed, edited and produced by youth. The film premiered in February 2011 to over 700 viewers. It was then broadcasted in various schools with discussion sessions throughout as well as in prisons. A total of almost 2,000 people saw the film.

Results:

The foundation was overwhelmed with the results of the project and the support it received, particularly through Facebook. Results showed that the youth of Bonaire is now more open to testing.

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Film trailer:

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