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**“JOIN THE FIGHT” COMMUNITY EVENT PLANNED
TO CELEBRATE WORLD AIDS DAY**

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Fort Myers, FL – In observance of World AIDS Day 2019, the Florida Department of Health in Lee County (FDOH-Lee), in partnership with the AIDS Healthcare Foundation, Source of Light and Hope McGregor Clinic, will be hosting a joint community event titled, “Join the Fight.”

Services being offered during the event include vision and health screenings for children and adults and HIV and STD testing. The event will feature educational material on human trafficking, domestic violence, mental health issues, addiction support and information on vaccines and flu shots. There will be a basketball tournament, bounce house, face painting, arts and crafts and refreshments. All services, entertainment and refreshments will be free of charge.

WHEN: Saturday, November 23, 2019
Noon–5 p.m.

WHERE: Roberto Clemente Park
3265 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd.
Fort Myers, FL 33901

World AIDS Day is celebrated on December 1st each year around the world. The 2019 national theme is “Communities Make the Difference”. World AIDS Day provides an opportunity for people and communities worldwide to unite in the fight against HIV and to address HIV/AIDS disparities, HIV related stigmas and blame while sparking dialogue towards stopping the spread of HIV/AIDS among all populations. The observance of World AIDS Day has become one of the most recognized health awareness days worldwide; it provides a key opportunity to raise awareness, commemorate those who have passed on, and celebrate victories such as increased access to treatment and prevention services. Started in 1988, World AIDS Day was the first ever global health day.

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