

# CAP Archives

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# CAP Archive Project!

**Cascade AIDS Project is creating an archive in recognition of CAP's 25th Anniversary and we need your help:**

**What we want from you- your CAP stories, photos, pamphlets, posters & oral histories**

**Together, lets honor our future by preserving our past!**

**To get involved or for questions please contact:**

**CAPHistory@cascadeaids.org**

**or call the CAP Archive Hotline at 503-278-3817**

*Cascade AIDS Project*



Cascade AIDS Project (CAP): Incorporated December 1985

Please do NOT  
remove or open  
archive boxes. To  
access archive  
materials contact  
Judith Rizzio at  
ext. 3813  
Thank you.

Archival storage boxes on top shelf with labels.

Grid of archival storage boxes and folders in a wooden shelving unit.

# We can live. Together.

Most gay men have responded to the threat of AIDS positively and responsibly. But the disease is going to be a fact of life for years to come. It's becoming ever clearer that we need each other to meet and overcome this challenge. Because together we can do more than survive. We can live.



## CAP

CASCADE AIDS PROJECT

Call 223-AIDS

Outside Portland Area 1-800-777-AIDS



# LIVE EXHIBIT

The Archive Project includes a sampling of CAP'S memorabilia: posters, program material, t-shirts - plus ephemera, and new website that encapsulates CAP's past. The event kicks off a month-long exhibition honoring 25 years of service to those within our community who are living with and affected by HIV/AIDS.

The installation will be at PIVOT, 209 SW 4th Ave in downtown Portland for the month of February.

## ABOUT THE PROJECT

Welcome to the CAP archives. To prepare for Cascade AIDS Project's 25th anniversary, we began to gather the organization's history—documents, photos, and the stories of staff, clients, and volunteers. In doing so, we assembled a record of the far-reaching effects of HIV and AIDS in Portland, and the strength, love, and community that have rallied to fight the virus.

We invite you to explore this site. As you do, remember, this is a living project. Until we have a cure, the fight continues.

## 1981

The first AIDS case diagnosed in the state of Oregon was in April of 1981. He was a "no identified risk" male from Linn County who was diagnosed with lymphoma, crypto, MAC, and candidiasis. It is believed by both the patient and his wife that he became infected in Haiti while giving first aid.

A gay man from Multnomah County was the first reported case of AIDS in the state of Oregon on August 21, 1981. His diagnosis was Kaposi's Sarcoma and esophageal candidiasis.

## 1983

The first reported AIDS case in Oregon was, unfortunately, the first person to die from AIDS related causes in Oregon. His death was April 28, 1983.

Founded in 1983, Cascade AIDS Project is the oldest and largest community-based provider of HIV services, housing, education and advocacy in Oregon and Southwest Washington.

Before 1983, two main organizations provided HIV-related services to the Portland area community: CHES (Community Health and Essential Support Services), who provided one-on-one emotional support, and Cascade AIDS Project (CAP), who provided education to gay/bisexual men. Their merger in 1983 consolidated HIV-related services and

## 1984



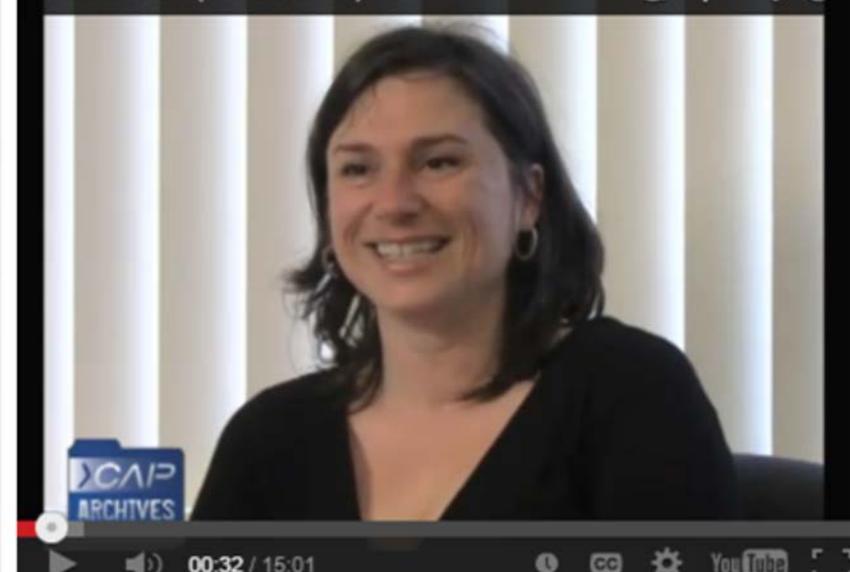
The Brinker Fund is established to provide emergency funds to those struggling to live with the disease. It is named for former Rose Court Empress XXIV Esther Hoffman (Chester Brinker) who died in 1984 and is one of the first Oregonians to die from AIDS. His estate helps fund CHES, and later Esther's Pantry and Tod's Corner.

*The predecessor of the  
Research and Education*

Kathleen Saadat (Full Interview) Part 1



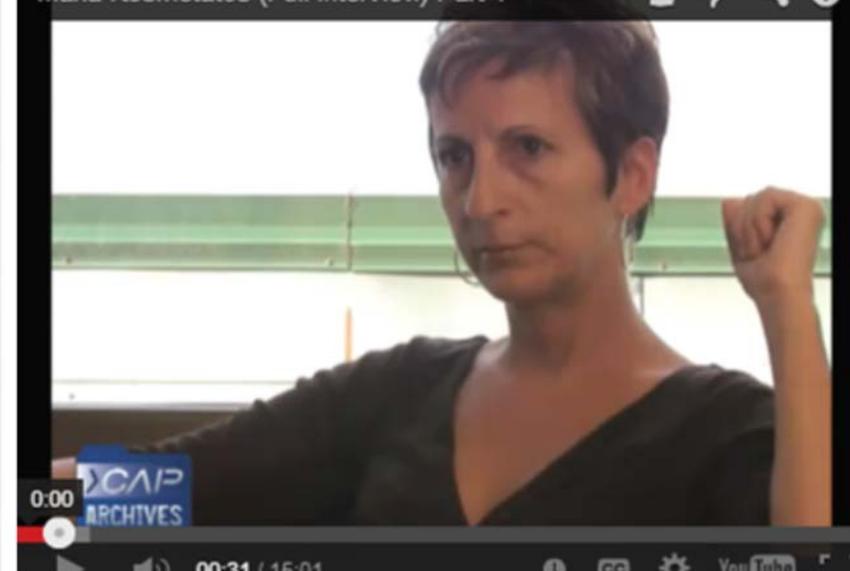
Jennifer Jako (Full Interview) Part 1



Jack Cox (Full Interview) Part 1



Maria Kosmetatos (Full Interview) Part 1



THE FDA'S REFUSAL TO RELEASE NEW AIDS DRUGS KILLED OVER 45,000 AMERICANS

# ACT UP



ACT UP VOICE OF THE DISSENTING AMERICAN

**TO PROTEST  
THE MURDEROUS  
AIDS POLICY  
OF THE FDA.**

**FEBRUARY 27  
1989 8:00 a.m.**

THERE WILL BE A LEGAL PICKET, RALLY, AND NON-VIOLENT CIVIL DISOBEDIENCE

AT THE FOOD & DRUG ADMINISTRATION  
**511 N.W. BROADWAY** (AT GLISAN ST.)  
**PORTLAND, OREGON**

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL

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# AIDS Memorial Book

*For the names of  
friends & family  
whose lives were  
lost to HIV disease.*



9/25/92 Ernest [redacted]

My darling son we all  
love & miss you. I wish  
that I could hug you just  
one more time. Maybe through  
Volunteering I will be able  
to feel that hug.

Love Always

Your Mother

[www.capararchives.org](http://www.capararchives.org)