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## A Transformation 20 Years in the Making

This week of World AIDS Day, we are announcing that the AIDS Research Institute has evolved into The HIV Institute to better reflect the comprehensive nature of our work spanning research, education and clinical care.

This represents much more than a name change. It pays homage to major scientific advances made at and through our institution that have transformed a once-fatal disease into a manageable condition that can be controlled and prevented from progressing to AIDS. UC San Diego investigators and care providers have brought breakthroughs from the laboratory bench to patients' bedsides and have played a vital role in redefining the standards of HIV care.

Today's epidemic is much different from 36 years ago. Our new name reflects the progress we've made over the epidemic and reinforces that it's now possible for individuals to live long and healthy lives with HIV.

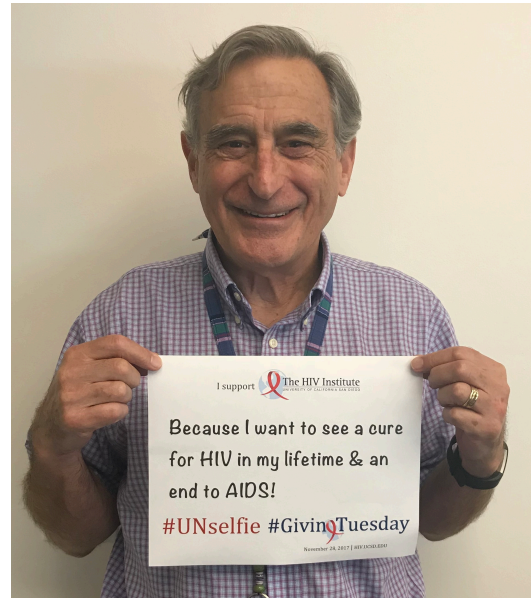
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**HIV will never cure itself  
but, with your [help](#), we  
just might.**

Today is #GivingTuesday, a global day of giving, fueled by the power of social media — the perfect opportunity to show your support. **With your help, we can create an AIDS-free generation!**

For every dollar donated, 94 cents goes directly into programs at the forefront of ending the HIV epidemic. Even a modest [contribution](#), pooled with gifts from others, has great impact! Learn more [here](#).

**#GivingTuesday**



## **HIV Survivors Give Their 'Last Gift'**

Dr. Davey Smith and Susanna Concha-Garcia spoke with KPBS about The Last Gift, a new study at the University of California, San Diego, designed to help understand HIV reservoirs. By learning more about where the virus hides, researchers hope to learn how to target these hidden pockets of HIV for eradication; an essential step on the road to finding a cure. Read more [here](#). Listen to the KPBS story by David Wagner [here](#).

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## San Diego Leads the Way

The Early Test is a specialized HIV test that can detect HIV as early as one week after exposure to the virus. The Early Test is a unique testing program of Lead the Way San Diego, the world's first comprehensive HIV test-and-treat campaign. Learn more about this pioneering program [here](#).



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## Annual Research Day

[Online registration](#) is now open for the Annual San Diego Center for AIDS Research HIV Research Day on Wednesday, December 6, 2017! This informative one-day symposium will highlight HIV/AIDS science, with an emphasis on research supported by UC San Diego (CFAR). This year's theme is disparities in HIV prevention, treatment, and care. Read more [here](#).

## #iShopiGive

Use iGive for your holiday shopping. Better yet, make your purchases count year-round and help The HIV Institute every time you shop online for free! There's 1,777 socially-responsible stores helping to make donations happen. To learn more or sign up now, [click here](#).



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