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Dear Friend,

Happy Mardi Gras/Valentine's Day/President's Day/Black History Month...and let's add Happy Birthday to all of you Leap Year babies. It may be a short month, but it's the quality over the quantity that counts. That said, I am very pleased to announce that **PRC is now an ADAP and OA-HIPP Enrollment Site!** 

What this means for our clients is that we now offer enrollment and recertification assistance for the AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP) and the Office of AIDS Health Insurance Premium Payment program (OA-HIPP). Both of these programs provide assistance with paying prescription co-pays and health insurance premium payments. Stay tuned for more information on this giant stride for PRC next month.

From all of us at Positive Resource Center, thank you for your continued support!

Brett Andrews Executive Director



# **36th Annual Academy of Friends Gala**

#### 36th Annual Academy Awards Night Gala

Sunday, February 28, 2016 5:00pm - 10:00pm Galleria at the San Francisco Design Center 101 Henry Adams Street San Francisco GET YOUR GALA TICKETS HERE

\* Please remember to put PRC as your beneficiary of choice, listed at the bottom of the ticket page in the "<u>Additional Items</u>" section. \*

Join Positive Resource Center and Academy of Friends at the 36th Annual Academy Awards Night Gala! Proceeds from the event will be distributed to PRC and five other HIV/AIDS Service Organizations in the San Francisco Bay Area.

Scrumptious food will be provided by the Bay Area's finest restaurants and caterers. Intoxicating wines and champagne by amazing vintners will be flowing nonstop into your glass. Bid on hundreds of fabulous items in the silent auction. Following the awards broadcast, be ready for the raffle drawings, live auctions, incredible live entertainment, dancing all night plus a secret after party! Can you think of a more glamorous way to watch the 2016 Oscars®?



I am the Queen!

### **AIDSWatch to Recognize Former PRC Employee**

At this year's AIDSWatch conference in Washington, D.C. (February 29 to March 1), former PRC Employment Services Program Director **Mark Misrok** is being recognized for the great impact he has made on our community.

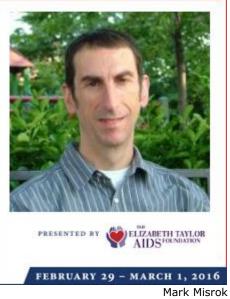
In the early 90's, Mark came to PRC in need of

employment services. Soon afterward he began volunteering with us, and then joined the PRC family as an employee from 1995 to 2007. Among his many accomplishments are co-founding the *National Working Positive Coalition board of directors* (for which he is the organization's President); serving as a member of the *San Francisco Mayor's Committee for Employment of Persons with Disabilities*; he was an advisor on employment for the *NY Governor's Task Force on Ending the Epidemic*; and he is currently a member of both the *NY State Peer Certification Steering Committee* and the *U.S. People Living with HIV Caucus Steering Committee*.

Vocalizing his adulation about Mark on behalf of everyone at PRC, Executive Director Brett Andrews stated "I was thrilled to see AIDSWatch's recognition of former PRC Employment Services Program Director, NWPC Board President, and friend, Mark Misrok, for his tireless work on behalf HIV-positive people. Mark's decades of advocacy and community leadership have been instrumental in enriching and elevating vocational rehabilitation & employment conversations for PLWHA on a local, state the national level. Congratulations, Mark – so well deserved!"

# **AIDSWatch**

WASHINGTON, DC



## **Immigration Law Workshop**

Wednesday, February 24, 2016 11:30am - 2:00pm The Women's Building 3543 18th Street (between Valencia and Guerrero) San Francisco

As part of our ongoing collaborative workshops, PRC is partnering with AIDS Legal Referral Panel for this discussion with immigration law experts. You will learn about the different types of visas available and the rights of undocumented immigrants. Find out the implications of marriage for different immigrant groups and get your questions answered by an immigration attorney.

This is a free workshop open to the public but space is limited. A reservation is required. Please RSVP to Vaughn Villaverde at <u>vaughnv@positiveresource.org</u> or (415) 972-0874.



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# **2016 Bare Chest Calendar Breaks the Bank!**

Thank you to the men of the 2016 Bare Chest Calendar! A whopping **\$150,490** was raised by these great men on behalf of **Positive Resource Center** and **AIDS Emergency Fund**.

Created in 1985, the Bare Chest Calendar has been a huge part of the San Francisco community by raising hundreds of thousands of dollars for PRC and AEF. It is actually a dynamic fundraising project disguised as a sexy, playful calendar; the men are chosen in late April and spend the remainder of the year continually fundraising at bars and events up and down the west coast, from Palm Springs to Seattle. So when you see your favorite man in the calendar (hopefully on your birthday month) you'll know that that they are more than just a pretty picture, they are truly men with hearts of gold!

If you or someone you know would like to be a part of this once in a lifetime fundraising experience, <u>click</u> <u>here to find out more about the recruitment</u> <u>process</u>.



The 2016 Bare Chest Calendar Men

Positive Resource Center (PRC) is a community-based 501(c)(3) nonprofit whose mission is to assist people affected by or at risk of HIV/AIDS through culturally appropriate counseling, education, training and advocacy. As a result, our clients can make more informed choices that maximize available benefits and employment opportunities.



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