

Founded in June, 2005 TIOS—a Division of AOSCI, was formed after witnessing the blatant absence of survival skills training for children in Mozambique. The children not only were not learning basic first aid, but they actually had no idea how to look both directions before crossing the road. This information has been common knowledge in the world for more than 50 years.

AOSCI is a registered non-profit NGO in the United States and TIOS is the Mozambican Division (International Training for the Orphans and their Survival). Now—just one and a half years later, TIOS has opened 2 orphans skills training centers and a preschool. **TIOS has also developed a revolutionary way of teaching HIV/AIDS awareness with their Five Components of HIV Program!** This program has been targeted with adolescents and adult men and women, particularly in rural areas with phenomenal success.

TIOS focuses on survival skills training for orphans including income generating activities, HIV/AIDS awareness (with use of anatomical dolls made as an income generating project by older orphan girls) water, road, land mine, fire, animal and insect safety, first aid, water pasteurization, accurate information on tuberculosis, cholera, leprosy, malaria, and other infectious diseases and conditions; and new baby care.



Tios-Treinamento Internacional para os Órfãos e a sua Sobrevivência A Division of AOSCI



Join us in the fight against illiteracy and absolute poverty in Mozambique. Be a part of the new way to bring development directly to the children who need it the most!



**Bringing Visionary
Solutions to Orphans**

**Don't offer
children cash -
offer them a
future**



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TIOS—International Training for the Orphans and their Survival . . .

Artist Yuri Konde Vitolo recognized for excellence in working with children, particularly in the art of cross stitch. Having presented works of art to President Guebuza in 2005 and 2006, as well as Governor Diomba in 2005, artist Yuri is a recognized and accomplished master of his trade.

Now teaching with TIOS as the coordinator of the Centro de Criatividade para Apoiar Orfaos (Creativity Center in order to Support Orphans), Yuri brings his skill and craftsmanship as an accomplished artist and teacher.



As a teacher, Yuri shows patience and attention to detail while teaching students the importance of quality and pride in their work.

As an activist, Yuri is a strong presenter, teaching of the importance of knowing your status and protecting yourself from those who may be infected with HIV. Also, he has shown great aptitude in using the dolls for the theater presentations, “The Corridor” and “The Chain of Death,” showing why HIV levels are more elevated along the Mozambican transport routes.

Centro de Criatividade para Apoiar Orfaos

The Creativity Center in order to Support Orphans is a training center where children from age 4—20 can come to receive training in all different levels of safety, survival skills (including first aid) and many different income generating skills. It is open to orphans and activists who are supporting orphans.

Opened November 1, 2006; this center receives up to 75 children and activists per day to receive training, besides the interactive library which provides thousands of patterns and designs for income generating activities.

Anatomical Dolls

The primary product and training at the center is the anatomical dolls which are used for improved HIV training. These dolls are used for theater, to do condom demonstrations, to explain the five components of HIV, and for theater regarding testing, discrimination and the stigma’s attached to HIV and the people who have contracted the virus.

A new way of teaching HIV Awareness

The use of the dolls in HIV awareness training along with the *Five Components Program* has had phenomenal success. Not only are the participants in the courses interested and asking many questions—they are retaining the information when questioned in follow up courses weeks or even months later. They are able to state clearly the 3 openings of the body that permit fluids to enter, the four liquids where HIV can live and the activities which bring these liquids together to transmit the HIV virus.

Because the dolls are specially designed to be *cartoonish* rather than sexual, we find the participants are shedding their intimidation and really talking about the virus and transmission.

We all know the stories of the tragic situations where men were putting the condom on their fingers to have sex as that is “*how they were shown*” by the NGO’s in a recent demonstration.

The use of the dolls for condom demonstrations is imperative as the students actually get to see how the condom is to be applied to the man before intercourse while the demonstration is interesting rather than embarrassing or intimidating.

Be a part of the change in HIV Awareness Training

We invite you to find out more about our dolls and our *Five Components of HIV Program* by contacting us at 82-5192050.



Having students teach back to us—we can actually confirm the information was received correctly by showing us (with the dolls) the facts they have learned in the course. Our basic course is 1 hour and 15 minutes and covers the *Five Components of HIV*, testing, condom demonstration, presentation of why HIV information has gotten so confusing and often times with much wrong information. The theater presentation of *the corridor* clearly shows why HIV is spreading so quickly in this area.

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