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## **20<sup>th</sup> TRUAX AWARD PRESENTED ON WORLD AIDS DAY**

**What:** On World AIDS Day, the County of San Diego Health and Human Services Agency's (HHSA) HIV, STD and Hepatitis Branch will present the 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Dr. A. Brad Truax Award.

**Who:** Terry Cunningham, Chief, HHSA's HIV, STD and Hepatitis Branch

**When:** **December 1, 2009 from 3:30-5:00 PM**

**Where:** **The LGBT Community Center  
3909 Centre Street, San Diego, CA 92103**

**Why:** The Truax Award was created to honor the memory of Dr. Truax and his many contributions to the HIV/AIDS effort in San Diego.

Dr. Truax chaired the first advisory board on HIV/AIDS in San Diego County and was a persistent diplomat who encouraged people with different interests and agendas to work together to stop AIDS.

The award is given annually to recognize the outstanding efforts made by a person involved in the struggle against the HIV/AIDS epidemic.

Three additional awards will honor contributions in the respective areas of HIV Education, Prevention and/or Counseling & Testing; HIV Care, Treatment and/or Support Services; and HIV Planning, Advocacy and/or Policy Development.

This milestone event is free and open to the public. The award ceremony will be followed by a candle-lit-walk to the **Tree of Life Lighting Ceremony at the Village Hillcrest**, which begins at 6:00 PM.

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