

Frequently Asked Questions

1. What is the One Life Revolution (OLR)?

One Life Revolution (OLR) is a unique walk-through experiential exhibit.

Visitors put themselves in the shoes of three children who have endured extraordinary hardships because of HIV/AIDS and trafficking. It is an interactive, personal audio-visual journey that lasts approximately 20 minutes.

2. What are the objectives of OLR?

OLR is basically a public awareness and advocacy campaign. The exhibit aims to raise awareness of the plight of children affected by HIV/AIDS and child trafficking.

It is hoped that having “walked in the shoes” of the children featured, visitors would develop a sense of compassion and be challenged to help those affected in various capacities.

3. Where are the exhibition venues?

- 5 – 8 Mar : Main Foyer, [Monash University](#), Sunway Campus
- 15 – 16 Mar : NAPEI – The 23rd Malaysian Education Fair, Centre Court, Level 3, Mid Valley Exhibition Center, [Mid Valley Megamall](#), K.Lumpur
- 10 – 12 Apr : Centre Atrium, Ground Floor, [Kota Bahru Mall](#), Kelantan
- 1 – 4 May : [The Spring, Ground Floor](#), Kuching, Sarawak
- 8 – 13 July : [Dream Centre](#), Petaling Jaya, Selangor

The exhibit is open from 10am to 10pm in Kelantan and Kuching.

4. How much is admission?

Admission is free.

5. Is the OLR open to everyone?

The OLR is open to the general public. However, its contents may not be suitable for children below the age of 12. We also encourage youths under the age of 18 to be accompanied by an adult.

6. How many visitors are you targeting and what kind of reaction do you expect from the public?

We would rather look at it in terms of impact than numbers. Our hope is that it will set Malaysians thinking and spur them to action. We are looking at that first drop and we believe that from there the ripple effect will gain its own momentum. And for those who want to be part of that momentum, they can help us in one of the following ways:

- **Visit & Spread the Word**

For those who have visited OLR and found it powerful, we hope that they will help us spread the word and encourage as many friends as possible to visit so that many more can benefit from the experience

- **Volunteer**

Having been made aware of the issues, we hope that those who have been touched will use their time and energy to help us and our partners to raise awareness about HIV/AIDS and child trafficking by getting involved locally or internationally. They can contact World Vision Malaysia, Malaysia Care or Malaysian AIDS Council.

- **Donation and Child Sponsorship**

Make a donation – locally or globally -- to the causes highlighted. For example, the World Vision HOPE Fund enables HIV/AIDS prevention, care and advocacy programmes in World Vision's International projects (like in Africa, Myanmar, Thailand, etc) to be carried out. Malaysia Care and Malaysian AIDS Council also have local projects that Malaysians can be involved in.

Alternatively, Malaysians can also be involved by signing up as a World Vision International Child Sponsor where their monthly contributions of RM50 will go towards the sponsored child and his/her community to enable them to gain access to education, health and skills – components that can help them break the vicious cycle of poverty and illnesses.

- **Contributions & Corporate Partnerships**

Give a minimum donation and receive limited edition One Life merchandise – T-shirts, sandals, or car stickers. Alternatively, make a contribution towards the cost of the exhibition or partner us by holding the exhibition in your company, school, etc.

7. Don't you think enough has been said and publicised about HIV/AIDS in Malaysia? Why harp on the issue that has been with us for over 20 years? Surely, there are other equally pressing causes?

Since the first reported case of HIV/AIDS in Malaysia in the 1980s, the number of cases has risen exponentially. By the end of 2004, roughly 64,000 Malaysians were reported as infected with HIV. Some 9,400 had developed AIDS.

If we look at the impact of HIV/AIDS on children globally, the numbers are even more staggering.

- 1,500 children are infected with AIDS every day
- 6,000 children lose a parent to AIDS every day
- By 2010, the number of children orphaned by the disease is expected to exceed 25 million.

The impact on these children is catastrophic and goes far beyond the numbers.

And it is precisely because HIV/AIDS has been with us for so long that we cannot afford to let up. It is not going to go away and we need to be reminded of its devastating impact again and again – human beings have short memory.

Although the Malaysian government and local NGOs have been working to combat the spread of the disease, systematic surveillance is still difficult. Difficulties in data gathering and collation coupled with lack of continued funding in Malaysia make it difficult to project the future course of the epidemic in the country.

8. What kind of follow-up projects/initiatives will World Vision Malaysia have after the OLR exhibition?

We hope to be able to continue to take the OLR exhibition on an extended road-show covering all cities in the country. That, of course, will depend on funding and sponsorships.

World Vision Malaysia will continue to highlight and speak out about HIV/AIDS in our other campaigns and presentations to corporations, schools and religious bodies. We will also continue to work with local HIV/AIDS-focused NGOs to spread the message and raise awareness.

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