Championing health and human rights with community-led partners to respond to the HIV epidemic in sub-Saharan Africa.

Statement regarding Uganda's Anti-Homosexuality Act 2023

The Stephen Lewis Foundation condemns the decision by the President of Uganda to sign into the law the unconscionable “Anti-Homosexuality Act 2023,” which is an extreme violation of the human rights of LGBTIQ people.

We call on the international community to recognize this draconian legislation as a violation of the spirit of Genocide Convention and to act accordingly. We further call on the international community to act swiftly to support LGBTIQ Ugandans including through emergency funding for LGBTIQ organizations in Uganda and relocation support for those who need to flee.

The international community cannot let up on the pressure to end this government-sanctioned hate. The United Nations, the Commonwealth, the business community, and donor governments must act in allyship with LGBTIQ communities in Uganda and use all the tools they have to pressure Uganda to repeal this law.

An attack on LGBTIQ rights anywhere affects people everywhere. The Stephen Lewis Foundation stands with our LGBTIQ partners in Uganda, with all queer Ugandans, and with 2SLGBTIQ communities around the world who are facing attacks on their rights and humanity.