

My name is Marvin Alan Garzón Severich, I am 22 years old and I'm currently in the 7th semester of Oil Engineering studies in the Gabriel Rene Moreno Autonomous University.

My life as a human rights activist for people living with HIV and AIDS began when my father died in the clinical phase of AIDS. He died with many opportunistic diseases, which caused me to see the reality of life: that HIV does not discriminate, but people do. At that point, I said myself that I had to do a lot of research on HIV and get training in various areas such as human rights, gender, sexual diversity, Men Who Have Sex with Men, ARVs, etc.

I am currently president of the VIHDA volunteer division of the RedVIHDA (a Santa Cruz, Bolivia network of comprehensive support for the people who live with HIV and AIDS). I supervise 15 volunteers, which we seek out and train to work in the BODDY ACOMPANT Project for PLHA in Bolivia. My fight against HIV and AIDS will always continue, until comprehensive care is made available for all people living with HIV and AIDS.