

COOL TO BE KIND

HAL'S ANGELS AND KEEP A CHILD ALIVE RAISING FUNDS TO REBUILD HOMES OF SOUTH AFRICAN CHILDREN ORPHANED BY AIDS



When Hal's Angels first decided they had to do something for the children of AIDS- ravaged sub-Saharan Africa, no one knew how immediate and powerful the results could be.

But in early April 2005, Hal's Angels learned of the children of Agape in South Africa. Already orphaned by the devastation of AIDS, they were now homeless when a fire destroyed their orphanage.

Hal's Angels quickly teamed with the humanitarian group Keep A Child Alive – and amazing things began happening at lightning speed.

Thanks to enthusiastic support of the Tribeca Film Festival, Hal's Angels and six extraordinarily talented Agape orphans – flown to New York for the occasion – took the stage twice at the Tribeca Family Festival. Backed by an all-star cast of celebrity entertainers, they performed and called attention to their situation. Throughout the daylong festival, Hal's Angels volunteers collected nickels, dollars, and checks from the crowd.

By day's end, they had collected \$23,000 – far more than they had dreamed for – including contributions raised from Hal's Angels all over America prior to the event and a generous \$10,000 donation from Festival founders Jane Rosenthal and Craig Hatkoff. And by late May, the total had passed \$50,000 – enough for work to start soon on rebuilding the central orphanage building.

The six South African children stayed in New York for a week, appearing at schools, singing in beautiful harmony at an event at the home of popular children's performer Dan Zanes that raised \$10,000, and attracting strong media attention strong media attention.

Now Hal's Angels and Keep A Child Alive are working to completely rebuild the Agape orphanage. The new goal: to raise another \$80,000 before Halliestock2 (September 24, 2005). This will enable construction of a residential complex to start with the building of four small homes, each to house six to eight children. These will be the new homes for 25 Children of Agape forced since the fire to take up residence in a windowless cargo container. When the entire project is finally completed the Children of Agape will be back together in a new home.