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KUALA LUMPUR: Standard Chartered Bank Malaysia Bhd yesterday hosted a one-day HIV/Aids awareness campaign to help reduce the spread of the virus by promoting behavioural change through education.

The event, one of the bank's corporate social responsibility programmes, was held in partnership with the Malaysian Aids Foundation (MAF), in conjunction with World Aids

Day.

"The campaign is to provide the information needed for staff to make safe lifestyle choices and prevent HIV and Aids," Standard Chartered Bank Malaysia Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer Osman Morad said.

The campaign is an initiative of the bank under the Standard Chartered Trust Fund, he said.

The fund is a channel to help

more than 300 HIV infected and affected children under 13 years of age who are registered as beneficiaries with the MAF.

"The fund provides a monthly disbursement of RM100 per child," Osman said, adding that the amount is to be doubled to RM200 soon.

The fund has been in operation since 2005 and has disbursed RM1.18 million since 2008. - Bernama