

World Day of Remembrance for road traffic victims African Day for Road Safety

November, 16th & 17th, 2013



Event Summary

On November 17th occurred both the **World Day of Remembrance for road traffic victims** and the **African Day for Road Safety**.

ALINAGNON and its partners, HANDICAP INTERNATIONAL and the National Center for Road Safety (CNSR) created several events in Cotonou to celebrate this special day.

On Saturday 16th, more than **300 ALINAGNON volunteers marched to the Amitié Stadium**. Each one of them was carrying a « light of hope » in memory of road traffic victims. Then, they gathered and **formed a gigantic illuminated « Danger » road sign** to warn the general public about road safety issues.

On Sunday 17th, a **procession of more than 800 people** crossed the city. Accompanied by a fanfare they demanded more safety on Beninese roads.

Authorities **laid a wreath in memory of the victims** and gave speeches about the need for improved road safety in Benin. Artists came and sung to make the event joyful, respecting the African way of mourning the departed.

Eventually, medical equipment was given to the National Hospital. Ten road victims also received grants to help them face financial difficulties due to medical fees resulting from road crashes.

All these events were covered by national media.





Saturday, November 16th



More than 300 ALINAGNON volunteers









Marching











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Lights of hope











Danger!







Remembrance songs and media coverage











Sunday, November 17th



A crowded event









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Lay of wreath in memory of the victims













Songs & speeches













Financial support to victims











Medical equipment for the National Hospital









THANK YOU! É NAN CHÈ NOU MI!

