

# Decker's Daily Coffee

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**HIV medications get a lot of credit for my current health, which is good. They deserve it for pulling me out of the shit basket a decade ago, when I was really sick... but you know what really keeps me going now?**

Iced mochas.

 Just about every day I find a way to get my thinblooded hands wrapped around a tall glass of godliness. And, like the hand that clasps that iced sugar rush and brings it towards my trembling lips, I can't imagine my life without the drink. They are so good. I can't stand it. But lately, in these harsh economic times, I've been thinking: "These are really starting to add up."

That's where you come in.

I've spoken and written about my personal life for so long, but I've always kept one thing private: the extent of my love for coffee drinks. On [Decker's Daily Coffee](#), I am going to post a picture every day that I make sweet love- er, drink- a coffee drink.

And not only am I inviting you into this world, I am also offering you the distinct honor of treating me to a drink.

So how does this work? Simply PayPal \$5 to [shawn@mypetvirus.com](mailto:shawn@mypetvirus.com)



Yes, it's that easy! You can even pimp something if you'd like, just keep it down to a sentence and one link. Who will see your name in the bright lights? Me- and I'll be very thankful. Want to remain anonymous? That's cool too. Okay, okay, I know what you're thinking.

"But Shawn, would *you* buy me a coffee drink?"

The answer is no.

"Why?"

Because... I have AIDS. HIV meds are expensive.

“What?!”

Are you not sponsoring me because I have AIDS?

**“I have AIDS too!”**

Oh.

So maybe I don’t know what you are thinking.

And I’m sure there are many other variations of that conversation I could walk through. Just know that I understand the ethical violations this solicitation presents. I did a lot of soul searching before coming to the decision to launch Decker’s Daily Coffee because, until recently, a Depression was just something I slept through in 5th grade history class.

But now it’s real. And I gotta hustle. Because I gotta have my coffee.

Positively Yours,  
Shawn

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