

Resource List

Below is a sampling of some resources available to individuals who identify as lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer and questioning (LGBTQ). Many of the resources listed below provide links to other websites, reading lists, and newsletters for more information. Additional resources may be available within local and campus communities. Descriptions are adapted directly from their websites.

Organizations

Deaf Queer Resource Center

www.deafqueer.org

The Deaf Queer Resource Center (DQRC) is a national nonprofit resource and information center for, by and about the deaf lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, transsexual, intersex and questioning communities.

Equality Advocates

215-731-1447

Toll Free: 866-LGBTQ-LAW

or 866-542-8529

Hotline, available within PA only.

www.equalitypa.org

Equality Advocates' mission is to advocate equality for individuals who identify as LGBTQ in Pennsylvania through direct legal services, education, and policy reform.

For Ourselves: Reworking Gender Expression (FORGE)

414-559-2123

www.forge-forward.org

A national education, advocacy and support umbrella organization supporting female-to-male transsexuals and transgenderists – and others who were assigned female at birth but who have some level of masculine identification (FTM+s(1)) – and Significant Others, Family, Friends and Allies (SOFFAs).

The Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender National Hotline

Toll-free: 1-888-THE-GLNH

or 888-843-4564

This is not a 24-hour hotline

Provides telephone and email peer-counseling as well as factual information and local resources across the United States. All services are free and confidential. Callers of all ages can use the hotline for information about coming-out issues, relationship concerns, HIV/AIDS anxiety and safer-

sex information. Also, the organization maintains a resource database with over 18,000 listings, including information on social and support groups, as well as gay-friendly religious organizations, sports leagues, student groups, and GLBT-friendly businesses including lawyers, doctors and various counseling professionals.

Gay, Lesbian and Straight Education Network (GLSEN)

212-727-0135

www.glsen.org

GLSEN is a national education organization working to ensure safe schools for all students, regardless of sexual orientation and gender identity. Services include research briefs, policy and legislative action, and tools for community organizing.

Gay Men's Domestic Violence Project (GMDVP)

617-354-6056, Hotline: 800-832-1901

www.gmdvp.org

The Gay Men's Domestic Violence Project (GMDVP) supports victims and survivors through education, advocacy and direct services. GMDVP serves men in relationships with men, regardless of how they identify, and assists them in navigating through abusive relationships.

Gender Education and Advocacy (GEA)

www.gender.org

A directory of transgender, gender queer, intersex, and cross-dresser sites.

Gender Public Advocacy Coalition (GenderPAC)

202-462-6610

<http://genderpac.livejournal.com>

GenderPAC works to end discrimination and violence caused by gender stereotypes by changing public attitudes, educating elected officials and expanding legal rights. GenderPAC also promotes understanding of the connection between discrimination based on gender stereotypes and sex, sexual orientation, age, race, and class.

Gendertalk

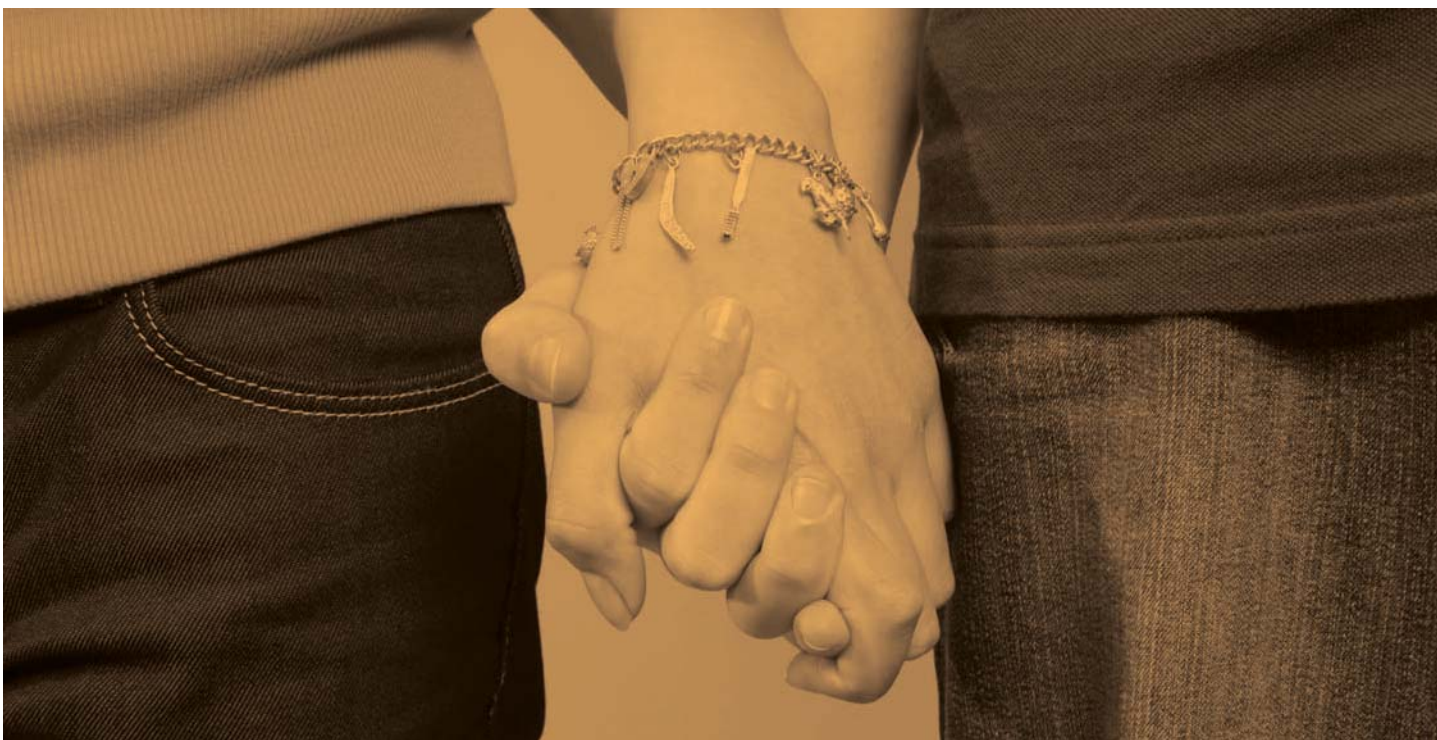
www.gendertalk.com

The home of the leading talk radio program on all issues of gender and much more. Website includes resources, articles, blogs, book and video lists pertaining to gender identity.

Human Rights Campaign (HRC)

www.hrc.org

As the largest national lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender civil rights organization, HRC envisions an America where LGBT people are ensured of their basic equal rights, and can be open, honest and safe at home, at work and in the community. HRC advocates on behalf of LGBT Americans, mobilizes grassroots actions in diverse communities, invests strategically to elect fair-minded individuals to office and educates the public about LGBT issues. Many publications on issues related to the LGBT community are available through the website.



Intersex Society of North America (ISNA)

206-633-6077

www.isna.org

Intersex Society of North America (ISNA) is a public awareness, education, and advocacy organization, which works to create a world free of shame, secrecy and unwanted surgery for intersex people (individuals born with anatomy or physiology which differs from cultural ideals of male and female). Website provides links to support groups as well as FAQ.

LAMBDA GLBT Community Services

206-600-4297

www.lambda.org

Hate Crime Assistance: 206-350-HATE

LAMBDA has led the effort to create an awareness of homophobia and its effects, and has worked to protect gays and lesbians, including youth, from discrimination and violence in homes, businesses, and schools through educational campaigns, non-discrimination leadership, and anti-violence efforts. LAMBDA's Anti-Violence Project (AVP) provides victim services to survivors of hate crimes, domestic violence, sexual assault, and other crimes. AVP's services include crime prevention and education, a 24-hour bilingual (English-Spanish) hotline, peer-to-peer support groups, and accompaniment to and advocacy with police, the courts, and other service providers. All of AVP's services are free and confidential.



Malesurvivor

800-738-4181

www.malesurvivor.org

MaleSurvivor recognizes and respects the diversity of sexual abuse survivors and caregivers. Through its informational programs and services, Male Survivor helps the public and the media to recognize and understand sexual violence directed toward boys and men, and promotes community action to confront the issue, providing necessary intervention and prevention strategies. Information for both survivors and professionals is provided.

The National Coalition of Anti-Violence Programs (NCAVP)

212-714-1184, TTY: 212-714-1134

www.ncavp.org

The National Coalition of Anti-Violence Programs (NCAVP) addresses the pervasive problem of violence committed against and within LGBTQ and HIV-affected communities. NCAVP is a coalition of programs across the U.S. that document and advocate for victims of anti-LGBTQ and anti-HIV/AIDS violence/harassment, domestic violence, sexual assault, police misconduct, and other forms of victimization (visit the website for a list of programs by state).

National Crime Victim Law Institute (NCVLI)

888-768-6556 or 503-768-6819

http://law.lclark.edu/centers/national_crime_victim_law_institute

The mission of the National Crime Victim Law Institute is to actively promote balance and fairness in the justice system through crime victim centered legal advocacy, education, and resource sharing.

National Gay and Lesbian Task Force (NGLTF)

202-393-5177, TTY: 202-393-2284

www.nglftf.org

The mission of the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force is to build the grassroots power of LGBTQ communities. NGLTF does this by training activists, equipping state and local organizations with the skills needed to organize broad-based campaigns to defeat anti-LGBTQ referenda and advance pro-LGBTQ legislation, building the organizational capacity of the movement, and generating research through their Policy Institute.

The National Online Resource Centers on Violence Against Women (VAWnet)

800-537-2238, TTY: 800-553-2508

www.vawnet.org

The online resource for advocates working to end domestic violence, sexual assault, and other violence in the lives of women and children. Information on public policy; intervention, prevention and response to violence against women; grants and funding; research and more.

National Sexual Violence Resource Center (NSVRC)

717-909-0710, TTY: 717-909-0715

Toll Free: 877-739-3895

www.nsvrc.org

www.facebook.com/nsvrc

www.twitter.com/nsvrc

Founded by the Pennsylvania Coalition Against Rape in 2000, the National Sexual Violence Resource Center (NSVRC) identifies, develops and disseminates resources regarding all aspects of sexual violence prevention and intervention. NSVRC activities include training and technical assistance, referrals, consultation, systems advocacy, resource library, capacity-building, integrating research findings with community-based projects, coordinating Sexual Assault Awareness Month, co-sponsoring national conferences and events, and creating web-based and social networking resources.

National Transgender Advocacy Coalition (NTAC)

www.ntac.org

NTAC works for the advancement of understanding and the attainment of full civil rights for all transgender, intersex and gender variant people in every aspect of society and actively and legally opposes discriminatory acts.

The Network/LA Red

617-695-087, Hotline: 617-423-SAFE

www.thenetworklared.org

The Network/La Red has become a national resource and model for battered women's programs, batterer intervention programs, and gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender organizations beginning to address battering in lesbian, bisexual women, and transgender relationships. They take requests from individuals, groups, researchers, and media from all over the United States and around the world seeking technical assistance and information on battering in lesbian, bisexual women, and transgender communities. Services include hotlines in English and Spanish, Safe Home program, outreach/organizing and advocacy programs.

Parents, Families & Friends of Lesbians & Gays (PFLAG)

202-467-8180

www.pflag.org

A national Nonprofit organization with over 200,000 members and supporters and almost 500 affiliates in the United States. PFLAG promotes the health and well-being of gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender persons, and their family and friends through: support, to cope with an adverse society; education, to enlighten an ill-informed public; and advocacy, to end discrimination and to secure equal civil rights. PFLAG provides opportunity for dialogue about sexual orientation and gender identity, and acts to create a society that is healthy and respectful of human diversity.

Partners Against Hate

202-452-8310

www.partnersagainsthate.org

Partners Against Hate offers promising education and counteraction strategies for young people and the wide range of community-based professionals who work and interact with youth, including parents, law enforcement officials, educators, and community/business leaders. Services include: blueprints, activities, and tools to help adults teach children not to hate; training for educators, law enforcement officials and others in effective hate crime prevention and response techniques; Promising Programs Database.

Survivor Project

503-288-3191

www.survivorproject.org

Survivor Project exists to advocate for intersex and trans survivors of domestic and sexual violence. Services include informational materials, educational workshops, consultation, ongoing research, and referrals.

The Transgender Aging Network (TAN)

414-540-6456

www.forge-forward.org/TAN

The Transgender Aging Network (TAN) exists to improve the lives of current and future trans/SOFFA (significant others, friends, family and allies) elders by identifying and promoting communication among, and enhancing the work of researchers, service providers, educators, advocates, elders and others interested in trans/SOFFA aging issues; promoting awareness of concerns, issues, and realities of trans/SOFFA aging; advocating for policy

changes to provide better access to respectful and appropriate treatment of trans/SOFFA elders; and providing communication channels through which trans/SOFFA elders can give and receive support and information. TAN also provides fee-based training and consultation services.

Victim Rights Law Center

Boston, MA: 617-399-6720

Portland, OR: 503-274-5477

www.victimrights.org

The Victim Rights Law Center was founded as the first law center in the nation dedicated solely to serving the legal needs of sexual assault victims. The Victim Rights Law Center is the leader in representing sexual assault victims' legal rights within the civil context. It not only provides legal representation to victims of rape and sexual assault to help rebuild their lives, but also promotes a national movement committed to seeking justice for every rape and sexual assault victim. Through an innovative model of community collaboration, it has created a network of allies (medical providers, counselors, lawyers) dedicated to improving legal services for rape victims.

More Online Resources Related to Youth Who Identify as LGBTQ

Groundspark Media

<http://groundspark.org>

GroundSpark creates visionary films and dynamic educational campaigns that move individuals and communities to take action for a more just world.



Advocates for Youth

www.advocatesforyouth.org

Advocates for Youth champions efforts that help young people make informed and responsible decisions about their reproductive and sexual health. Advocates believes it can best serve the field by boldly advocating for a more positive and realistic approach to adolescent sexual health. It focuses its work on young people ages 14-25 in the U.S. and around the globe.

National Youth Advocacy Coalition

www.nyacyouth.org/resources/lgbtqyouth.php

The National Youth Advocacy Coalition (NYAC) is a social justice organization that advocates for and with young people who are lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, or questioning (LGBTQ), in an effort to end discrimination against these youth and to ensure their physical and emotional well-being.

The Trevor Project/ GLTBQ Youth Suicide Hotline
www.thetrevorproject.org

The Trevor Project is determined to end suicide among LGBTQ youth by providing life-saving and life-affirming resources, including our nationwide, 24/7 crisis intervention lifeline, and digital community and advocacy/educational programs that create a safe, supportive and positive environment for everyone.

It Gets Better

www.itgetsbetter.org

It Gets Better is a place where young people who are lesbian, gay, bisexual, or transgender can see how love and happiness can be a reality in their future. It's a place where straight allies can visit and support friends and family members. It's a place where people can share their stories, take the It Gets Better Project pledge, watch videos of love and support, and seek help through the Trevor Project and GLSEN.

Make It Better

<http://makeitbetterproject.org>

The Make It Better Project gives youth the tools they need to make their schools better now. Through the website and YouTube channel, youth and adults can work together to make schools

safer for LGBT youth right now. Columnist Dan Savage launched "It Gets Better," a video message in response to recent youth suicides to tell LGBT youth that life gets better after high school.

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