



LGBTQ RESOURCE GUIDE

FOR YOUTH IN PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

This resource guide is the work of the Prince George's Youth Equality Project for Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Questioning (LGBTQ) Youth. The task force is a coalition of more than 20 community groups and government agencies and was formed in 2006.

Our mission is to provide support and services to foster youth who are lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender or questioning. We advocate on their behalf, connect them with resources and host educational and social events to help them further develop life skills and establish and reach their career and personal goals. The Youth Equality Project seeks to make life better for LGBTQ youth in Prince George's County, Maryland.

Teens who fall under the spectrum of LGBTQ are routinely bullied at school, neglected or abused and home, and isolated from their families. Foster children who identify as LGBTQ face especially difficult circumstances.

The Youth Equality Project is sending the message to the LGBTQ youth in our community- especially to those in foster care- that their lives will get better. They have bright futures ahead of them, and there are allies in prominent positions who are willing to help. In sum, their lives will absolutely get better.

*A PROJECT OF THE PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY YOUTH EQUALITY
PROJECT FOR LGBTQ YOUTH*

ABOUT US

What is the Prince George's County YOUTH EQUALITY PROJECT (YEP)?: A community task force comprised of state and local government personnel, youth advocates, and private citizens committed to establishing a spectrum of services necessary to ensure the safety and well-being of LGBTQ youth in Prince George's County. The Task Force was created in 2007 as a result of a need observed by Prince George's County Department of Social Services and Prince George's County Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA).

Vision: The vision of the Youth Equality Project is to ensure that all LGBTQ youth have safe and nurturing homes, schools, and community environments in which to achieve their full potential.

Our Collaborative Work: As a coalition of public and private citizens, the YEP works to improve community planning, coordinate strategies and expand advocacy to ensure positive outcomes for LGBTQ youth. Our on-going work plan to facilitate coordination between several entities includes representatives from County child welfare, juvenile justice, schools, non-profit organizations, and legal advocacy systems.

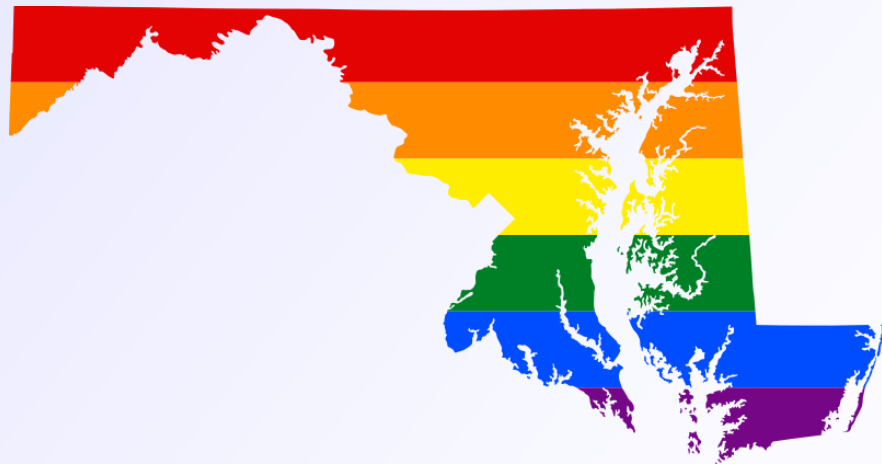
Achieving Positive Impacts and Outcomes to Support LGBTQ Youth in Prince George's County: since its inception, YEP has been able to achieve the following:

- Participated in the creation of Maryland's Group Home Bill of Rights which has been proposed as a state wide initiative
- Published an LGBTQ specific Resource Guide of for the greater Washington DC metropolitan area
- Hosted focus groups and listening sessions for and about Prince George's County LGBTQ youth
- Offered training to several hundred youth service professionals to bolster social work practices and improve services provided to LGBTQ youth in Maryland;
- Hosted multiple dances for LGBTQ Youth in Prince George's County, providing a safe social space
- Hosted BRIDGES TO POSITIVE YOUTH OUTCOMES: SUPPORTING LGBTQ YOUTH Conference.

YOUR INVOLVEMENT AND SUPPORT

Get Involved: As a community coalition, our sustainment and community involvement dedicated to creating change is dependent on volunteer efforts. To offer your time and assistance, please contact Anne Marie Binsner at CASA – (301) 209-0491 or ambinsner@pgcasa.org. Additionally, follow us on Facebook by liking our page: [Prince George's County Youth Equality Project](#).

Invest! Our efforts to create a safe and social space for LGBTQ youth, collect information, disseminate resources, and offer professional training requires financial support. Contributions to YEP through CASA are tax-deductible. If your organization would like to host a fundraiser for our organization, we are happy to assist in the planning and preparation of the event.



HOTLINES

YOUTH IN OUT-OF HOME CARE PROJECT (LAMBDA LEGAL DEFENSE & EDUCATION FUND)

For young people in foster care who have questions about LGBT-related discrimination or abuse
1-866-LGBTTeen (542-8336)
(Available 24/7)

LGBT PEER LISTENING LINE AT FENWAY HEALTH

For LGBT youth looking for help, information, referrals, and support for a range of issues, staffed by trained volunteers age 25 and younger
Monday-Saturday 5 PM-10 PM
800-399-PEER(7337)

LGBT NATIONAL YOUTH TALKLINE (A PROGRAM OF THE LGBT NATIONAL HELP CENTER)

Provides telephone peer-support, as well as factual information and local resources for cities and towns across the United States
Monday-Friday 4 PM- midnight,
Saturday noon-5 PM
1-800-246-PRIDE (7743)

GAY AND LESBIAN NATIONAL HOTLINE

A peer counseling and information hotline for all ages.
Monday-Friday 1p PM-9 PM;
Saturday 9 AM-2 PM
1-888-843-4564

NATIONAL RUNAWAY SAFELINE

A confidential service to assist runaway and homeless youth
1-800-RUNAWAY (786-2929)
(Available 24/7)

TREVOR LIFELINE: THE TREVOR PROJECT

A crisis intervention line for LGBTQ youth
866-488-7386 (Available 24/7)
Or text "Trevor" to 202-304-1200 (Monday- Friday 3 PM- 10 PM)

VICTIMS OF CRIME

An organization that offers confidential referrals for crime victims.
1-800-394-2255 (available 24/7)



ADVOCACY/LEGAL SERVICES

ACLU'S LGBT PROJECT: YOUTH AND SCHOOL

This Project strives to make schools safe and bias-free for LGBT students, defending their right to free speech and freedom of expression in school, and working to help students start gay-straight alliance clubs

www.aclu.org/lgbt-rights/lgbt-youth-schools (212-549-2673)

ADVOCATES FOR YOUTH

Dedicated to creating programs and policies that help young people make informed and responsible decisions about their reproductive and sexual health. Includes information specifically for LGBT youth.

1325 G St NW # 980, Washington, DC 20005

<http://www.advocatesforyouth.org/lgbtq-issues-home> (202-419-3420)

EQUALITY MARYLAND

Works to secure and protect the rights of LGBT Marylanders by promoting legislative initiatives on the state, county and municipal levels.

1201 S. Sharp St., Suite 109
Baltimore, MD 21230

www.equalitymaryland.org (410-685-6576)

BiNET USA

BiNet USA facilitates the development of a network of bisexual and bi-friendly communities; promotes bisexual visibility; and distributes educational information regarding sexual orientation and gender identity

4201 Wilson Blvd. #110-311 Arlington, VA 22203 1-800-585-9368

www.binetusa.org (800-585-9368)

LAMBA LEGAL

Lambda Legal works to achieve full recognition of the civil rights of lesbians, gay men, bisexuals, transgender people and those with HIV; through impact litigation, education and public policy work.

www.lambdalegal.org (212-809-8585)

HUMAN RIGHTS CAMPAIGN

The Human Rights Campaign Foundation is organized for the charitable and educational purposes of promoting public education and welfare for the lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender community.

1640 Rhode Island Ave, NW
Washington, DC 20036-3278

www.hrc.org (202-628-4160)

NATIONAL BLACK JUSTICE COALITION

The National Black Justice Coalition is a civil rights organization dedicated to empowering Black LGBTQ people. NBJC addresses the problem of gay inequality in America with a goal to increase African American support for gay and lesbian equality.

1990 K St NW, Washington, DC 20006

<http://nbjc.org/> (202-319-1552)

NATIONAL ALLIANCE TO END HOMELESSNESS

The National Alliance to End Homelessness is a nonpartisan organization committed to preventing and ending homelessness in the United States.

1518 K Street NW, 2nd Floor, Washington, DC 20005

<https://endhomelessness.org/> (202-638-1526)

NATIONAL CENTER FOR LESBIAN RIGHTS

A national legal organization that advocates for equitable public policies affecting the LGBT community; provides free legal assistance to LGBT people and their legal advocates; and conducts community education on LGBT issues.

1100 H Street NW Suite 450

Washington, DC 20005 <http://www.nclrights.org/our-work/youth/youth-resources/> (202-734-3545)

NATIONAL NETWORK FOR YOUTH

The National Network for Youth is a public education and policy advocacy organization dedicated to the prevention of youth homelessness in America. NN4Y focuses on the needs of disconnected youth through advocacy and innovation.

741 8th Street SE Washington DC 20003

www.nn4youth.org (202-783-7949)

SEXUALITY INFORMATION AND EDUCATION COUNCIL OF THE UNITED STATES (SIECUS)

SIECUS advocates for the right of all people to a comprehensive education about sexuality, and to sexual and reproductive health services. SIECUS works to create a world that ensures social justice inclusive of sexual and reproductive rights.

1012 14th Street, NW, Suite 1108 Washington, DC 20005

www.siecus.org (202-265-2405)

THE TREVOR PROJECT

The Trevor Project is the leading national organization providing crisis intervention and suicide prevention services to lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and questioning (LGBTQ) young people ages 13-24.

www.thetrevorproject.org (310-271-8845 to call the office, 866-488-7386 if you need immediate help)

MARYLAND AND D.C. CENTERS AND SUPPORTIVE COMMUNITY GROUPS

THE DC LGBT CENTER

The DC LGBT Center educates, empowers, celebrates, and connects the LGBTQ community. To fulfill this mission, they focus on four core areas: health and wellness, arts & culture, social & peer support, and advocacy and community building. 2000 14th Street NW, Suite 105, Washington, DC 20009

To view upcoming events in the DC area-<http://thedccenter.org/support/> (202-682-2245)

DIGNITY/WASHINGTON: DC'S FAITH COMMUNITY FOR LGBT CATHOLICS

Dignity/Washington is a community of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, & Transgender Christians, our families and friends. We provide a healing outreach to Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, & Transgender Catholics and other people by affirming that they are beloved Children of God. We gather together to establish a nurturing community of worship, blessing, celebration, ministry, spiritual development, education, and fellowship.

721 8th Street, SE Washington, DC 20003

<http://www.dignitywashington.org/contact-us/> (202-546-2235)

GLCCB- THE GAY, LESBIAN, BISEXUAL AND TRANSGENDER COMMUNITY CENTER OF BALTIMORE AND CENTRAL MARYLAND

The GLCCB provides support services, facilities, and professional resources for the development and well-being of Baltimore LGBTQ individuals and groups. Their mission is to act as a catalyst for uniting and empowering sexual and gender minorities in Baltimore and Central Maryland and advocate for a better quality of life for the entire community.

2530 North Charles Street 3rd Floor Baltimore, MD 21218

To view upcoming events in Maryland- <http://www.glccb.org/programs/glccb-events-calendar/> (410-777-8145)

LGBT MEETUPS

This website allows you to input the type of event you are looking for and your area to find a specific LGBT support group near you <https://www.meetup.com/topics/lgbt-social-group/>

**SMYAL- SEXUALITY
MINORITY YOUTH
ASSISTANCE LEAGUE**

SMYAL (Supporting and Mentoring Youth Advocates and Leaders) supports and empowers LGBTQ youth in the Washington, DC, metropolitan region. Through youth leadership, SMYAL creates opportunities for LGBTQ youth to build self-confidence, develop critical life skills, and engage their peers and community through service and advocacy. 410 7th Street SE Washington DC 20003

To view upcoming events in Maryland- <https://www.smyal.org/youth-events> (202-546-5940)

**PARENTS, FAMILY, AND
FRIENDS OF LESBIANS AND
GAYS DC (PFLAG- DC)**

Metro DC PFLAG helps keep families together and promotes equality and the well-being of LGBTQ people and their families through support, education, and advocacy. Founded in 1983, they are a nonprofit, nonpartisan, volunteer organization with support groups in DC, Northern VA, and Maryland.

1518 U Street NW, 2nd floor.
Washington DC 20009
www.pflagdc.org (202-638-3852)

**GLBT NATIONAL HELP
CENTER**

Free and confidential telephone and email peer counseling, info and local resources for gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender and questioning callers throughout the country.

Website also has an extensive searchable resource database. 1-800-246-PRIDE (1-800-246-7743)

Youth to Youth peer counseling (up to age 25) 1-888-THE-GLNH (1-888-843-4564)

www.glnh.org

**HELPING INDIVIDUAL
PROSTITUTES SURVIVE**

HIPS' mission is to assist individuals of all gender identities and sexualities who are engaging in sex work in Washington, DC. Utilizing a harm reduction model, HIPS' programs strive to address the impact that HIV/AIDS, STDs, discrimination, poverty, violence and drug use have on the lives of individuals engaging in sex work.

906 H Street NE, Washington, D.C. 20002

www.hips.org (202-232-8150)
24/7 Hotline: 800-676-4477

DAMIEN MINISTRIES

Damien Ministries seeks to reach out to those people living with HIV and AIDS whose needs are not met by other social service agencies through its ministries of prayer, communal support, pastoral care, advocacy and direct services.

2200 Rhode Island Avenue, NE
Washington, DC 20018

www.damienministries.org (202-526-3020)

DC COALITION AGAINST DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

DCCADV is the federally-recognized statewide coalition of domestic violence programs, organizations and individuals, including those geared towards the LGBT community, organized to ensure the elimination of domestic violence in the District of Columbia.

5 Thomas Circle, NW Washington, DC 20005

<https://dccadv.org/?page=dvresults&f-cat=41> (202-299-1181)



HEALTH AND MEDICAL CENTERS

GAY AND LESBIAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION

GLMA's Mission is to ensure equality in healthcare for lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender individuals and healthcare providers. Provides a directory of health care providers that are known to be LGBT friendly. 1100 H Street, NW Suite 540 Washington, DC 20005 <http://www.glma.org/> (202) 600-8037

METRO HEALTH (FORMERLY CARL VOGEL CENTER)

Provides multidisciplinary and integrated health care that responds to existing and emerging needs of people with HIV and AIDS. 1012 14th Street, NW Suite 700 Washington, DC 20005 202-638-0750 <http://metrohealthdc.org/> (202-638-0750)

REALTalk DC

The REALTalk DC team links young people ages 13-24 to sexual health information, training opportunities, free condoms, and HIV/STI/ pregnancy testing. Information on all RealTalk DC events and programs can be found on their social media accounts ([Twitter](#), [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#)). 651 Pennsylvania Avenue, SE, Washington, DC 2000 <https://www.whitman-walker.org/youthservices> (202-543-9355)

LA CLINICA DEL PUEBLO

La Clinica del Pueblo is a non-profit, federally qualified health center that serves the Latino and immigrant populations of the Washington, DC metro area. This bilingual health clinic provides free, culturally appropriate health services in the Latino community including HIV/AIDS care, mental health, addiction, and social services including housing assistance, food, clothing, medicine, and medical equipment. www.lcdp.org

Washington, D.C. Location
2831 15th Street NW Washington, DC 20009 (202-462-4788)
Hyattsville, Maryland Location
2970 Belcrest Center Dr. #301 Hyattsville, MD 20782 (240-714-5247)

WHITMAN-WALKER CLINICS

Community-based organization serving the Washington, DC region. Established by and for the gay and lesbian community, it's comprised of diverse volunteers and staff who facilitate the delivery of high quality, comprehensive, accessible health care and services. Offers multiple locations and multiple layers of service for LGBT people and people affected by HIV/AIDS. Find a location near you- <https://www.whitman-walker.org/service/become-a-patient/hours-locations/> (202-745-7000)

PLANNED PARENTHOOD

Planned Parenthood is one of the nation's leading providers of high-quality, affordable health care for women, men, and young people, and the nation's largest provider of sex education.

<https://>

www.plannedparenthood.org/learn/teens (800-230-PLAN or text PPNOW to 774636)

LGBT HEALTH RESOURCE CENTER OF CHASE BREXTON HEALTH CARE

Since their founding in Baltimore's gay community, they have remained committed to providing individualized care that respects patients of all ages, races, gender identities, religions, sexual orientations, ethnicities, and socioeconomic statuses. Providing care that affirms and supports each patient is at the core of everything we do. Whether new to the community or new to the country, with or without insurance, gay or straight, all are welcome and will receive compassionate, quality care at Chase Brexton.

Find a location near you- <https://www.chasebrexton.org/about-us/locations> (410-837-2050)



SCHOLARSHIPS AND EDUCATION RESOURCES

AMERICAN UNIVERSITY CENTER OF DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION

The Center for Diversity & Inclusion (CDI) works to advance American University's commitment to respecting and valuing diversity by serving as a resource and liaison for students, staff, and faculty on issues of equity through education, outreach, and advocacy. To achieve this mission, the center is dedicated to enhancing LGBTQ, multicultural, first generation, and women's experiences on campus.

4400 Massachusetts Avenue NW
Washington, DC

www.american.edu/ocl/cdi/ (202-885-3651)

POINT FOUNDATION

Point Foundation is the nation's largest scholarship-granting organization for lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer (LGBTQ) students of merit. Point promotes change through scholarship funding, mentorship, leadership development, and community service training.

<https://pointfoundation.org> (323-933-1234)

HUMAN RIGHTS CAMPAIGN'S SCHOLARSHIP DATABASE

Provides an extensive resource of LGBT scholarships, both nationally and state-specific.

<http://www.hrc.org/scholarship-database/>

SAFE SCHOOLS COALITION

Provides national support to reduce bias-based bullying and violence in schools and to help schools better meet the needs of sexual minority youth and children of sexual minority parents. The Coalition provides national support including: resources for schools, trainings for educators, raising awareness, technical advisement, and conducting and disseminating research. Also provides a list of community based LGBTQ support groups and safe schools coalitions by state.

www.safeschoolscoalition.org (877-723-3723)

UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND'S OFFICE OF LGBT EQUITY

Connecting the needs of LGBT students, staff and faculty with on and off campus resources.

University of MD also maintains an LGBT Resource Room with an extensive collection of books, periodicals, video and sound recordings, organization brochures, articles and newspaper clippings.

2218 Marie Mount Hall, College Park, MD 20742

<https://lgbt.umd.edu/> (301-405-8720)

**GEORGE WASHINGTON
UNIVERSITY LGBTQIA
RESOURCE CENTER**

The George Washington University LGBTQIA Resource Center celebrates and supports sexual and gender diversity and inclusion by providing educational, support and advocacy services. These services include trainings, special events and mentoring designed to empower LGBTQIA students, faculty and staff to achieve academic excellence, embrace personal wellness and pursue professional success.

Multicultural Student Services
Center Rm 103, 2127 G Street,
NW Washington, DC 20052
www.gwired.gwu.edu/mssc/LGBT
(202-994-4568)

**PFLAG NATIONAL
SCHOLARSHIPS PROGRAM**

PFLAGers everywhere are dedicated to a bright future for LGBTQ youth. Many PFLAG chapters have scholarship programs as well. Students are eligible to receive scholarships from both their local chapter and PFLAG National.

<https://www.pflag.org/scholarship>



**GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY
LGBTQ RESOURCE CENTER**

The LGBTQ Resource Center, serving lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, and questioning individuals, is the first such Center of its kind at a Catholic/Jesuit institution in the country. They have sought to build on the rich interfaith and intellectual engagements of Georgetown to create a Center that will speak to every member of the community in all their our rich diversity.

325 Leavey Center 37th and O
Streets, N.W. Washington D.C.
20057 [https://
lgbtq.georgetown.edu/](https://lgbtq.georgetown.edu/) (202-
687-3546)

RELIGIOUS AND SPIRITUAL SERVICES

Oaklands Presbyterian

14301 Laurel-Bowie Road
Oaklands Presbyterian Building
Laurel, MD 20708

<https://oaklandspres.org/#all-are-welcome> (301-776-5833)

Hyattsville Mennonite Church

4217 East-West Highway
Hyattsville, MD 20782

www.hyattvillemennonite.org/
(301-927-7327)

St. George's Episcopal Church

7010 Glenn Dale Rd. Glenn Dale, MD 20769

<https://stgeorgesglenndale.org/> (301-262-3285)

Good Samaritan Lutheran Church

10110 Greenbelt Rd Lanham, MD 20706-2206

www.goodsamaritanlutheran.org
(301-794-7300)

Affirming Church Directory

To locate a LGBT-affirming church near you

https://www.gaychurch.org/find_a_church/list-churches-by-state/?loc=MD

Believe Out Loud

View LGBT-accepting churches in your state

<http://www.believeoutloud.com/take-action/find-your-community>

