

# LGBTQ Resources

## **Attic Youth Center**

255 South 16th Street Philadelphia, PA 19102

(215) 545-4331 | [info@atticyouthcenter.org](mailto:info@atticyouthcenter.org)

The Attic creates opportunities for Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Questioning (LGBTQ) youth to develop into healthy, independent, civic-minded adults within a safe and supportive community, and promotes the acceptance of LGBTQ youth in society.

The Attic is proud to be Philadelphia's only independent LGBTQ youth center.

## **American Foundation for Suicide Prevention**

[www.afsp.org](http://www.afsp.org)

AFSP raises awareness, funds scientific research and provides resources and aid to those affected by suicide.

## **Street Outreach Services (S.O.S.)**

1-800-355-0660

Street Outreach Services is a street-based outreach program offering crisis intervention, counseling, advocacy, and prevention services. Counselors work to help homeless, runaway or couch-surfing teens find a safe and stable home. S.O.S. offers teens up to age 21 a variety of services including: Referral and transportation to shelter facilities; Life-skills training and connection to community services; and Prevention education and outreach programs.

## **The COLOURS Organization**

1207 Chestnut 4th Floor, Philadelphia PA 19107

215-851-1975

The COLOURS Organization provides supportive services for African American Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Queer folks in the greater Philadelphia area. We are committed to maintaining strong connections with the LGBTQ communities. The COLOURS Organizations is a tribe of workers, volunteers and advocates that are dedicated to the vision and mission of the organization. We call our community our tribe, and it is made up of a diverse group of folks. Our tribe of Prevention Specialist work with the community members to educate them about sexual transmitted infections and HIV. COLOURS provides supportive support groups. For more information about the groups listed below please contact us at.

Tuesdays - Social X-change (25 and under young adult drop-in group) 6pm-9pm

Wednesdays- Men of COLOUR United (all men all races all ages welcome to talk about sex, cultural, politics and our community) 6pm-9pm

Thursdays- 40 Acres of Change (young adults 21-25 to talk about issues that matter to them) 6pm-9pm

## **Family Acceptance Project**

<http://familyproject.sfsu.edu/> [fap@sfsu.edu](mailto:fap@sfsu.edu)

The Family Acceptance Project™ is a research, intervention, education and policy initiative that works to prevent health and mental health risks for lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender (LGBT) children and

youth, including suicide, homelessness and HIV – in the context of their families, cultures and faith communities. We use a research-based, culturally grounded approach to help ethnically, socially and religiously diverse families to support their LGBT children. Our team has been putting research into practice by developing an evidence-based family model of wellness, prevention and care to strengthen families and promote positive development and healthy futures for LGBT children and youth.

### **Garden State Equality**

973-GSE-LGBT (473-5428)

Contact@GardenStateEquality.org

www.gardenstateequality.org

South Jersey office: 583 Haddon Ave, Collingswood, NJ 08108

Legislative Office: 110 West State St, Trenton, NJ 08608

Statewide organization for LGBTI civil rights, with an advocacy arm that works to pass pro-LGBTI legislation and to fight for those facing discrimination and a political arm that works to elect pro-LGBTI candidates.

### **Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender National Hotline**

1-888-THE-GLNH (1-888-843-4564)

HOURS: Monday thru Friday from 4pm to midnight; Saturday from noon to 5pm

Email: help@GLBTHotline.org

The Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender (GLBT) National Hotline provides telephone, online private one-to-one chat and email peer-support, as well as factual information and local resources for cities and towns across the United States.

### **GLBT Hate Crimes Hotline**

1-800-686-HATE

### **The GLBT National Youth Talkline**

Monday thru Friday from 4pm to midnight; Saturday from noon to 5pm

Toll-free 1-800-246-PRIDE (1-800-246-7743)

Email: youth@GLBTTNationalHelpCenter.org

Services are free and confidential. Telephone volunteers are in their teens and early twenties, and speak with teens and young adults up to age 25 about coming-out issues, relationship concerns, parent issues, school problems, HIV/AIDS anxiety and safer-sex information, and lots more!

### **GLSEN**

<http://www.glsen.org/>

The Gay, Lesbian & Straight Education Network strives to assure that each member of every school community is valued and respected regardless of sexual orientation or gender identity/expression.

### **Greater Atlantic City GLBT Alliance**

<http://acglbt.org>

Alliance is open to any business or person who is a part of the GLBT community or supportive community. The mission is to promote the economic, social, and political advocacy of the GLBT and GLBT supportive community of the region.

## **GSA**

<https://gsanetwork.org/>

### **What is a GSA?**

A GSA club is a student-run club in a high school or middle school that brings together LGBTQI+ and straight students to support each other, provide a safe place to socialize, and create a platform to fight for racial, gender, LGBTQ, and economic justice. "GSA" has historically stood for Gay-Straight Alliance, however many clubs have expanded the name of their clubs beyond the binary Gay-Straight terminology. Some examples include: Genders & Sexualities Alliance, Queer Students Alliance, Pride Club, etc.

## **HiTops**

21 Wiggins St, Princeton, NJ 08540 Phone: (609) 683-5155 <http://www.hitops.org>

HiTops is a health education and advocacy organization dedicated to ensuring every adolescent safe passage to adulthood by providing comprehensive sexuality education and promoting healthy relationships and supportive connections.

Desired Outcomes: Reduces rate of HIV, STIs and unplanned pregnancies. HiTops provides education, training and support for youth and adults that helps adolescents to develop health enhancing behaviors, improve decision-making, and reduce risk-taking behaviors. HiTops values prevention as a cost effective strategy that also engages youth in their own healthcare.

HiTops teaches age-appropriate, medically accurate sexual health education to reduce rates of HIV, STIs and unplanned pregnancies. Comprehensive sexuality education teaches risk avoidance through abstinence and provides risk reduction strategies to individuals who are sexually active to help them reduce their risks of infections or pregnancy.

HiTops has professional staff as well as trained peer educators who teach programs in schools, faith- and community-based organizations, juvenile justice sites, and group residential homes.

Everything HiTops does is to benefit youth, ages 11-26. HiTops trains and educates adults—parents or professionals who work with youth—on how to be supportive, trusted adults. Adults learn how to talk with young people about sensitive topics, how to create inclusive and safe environments, and how to find resources on specialized topics.

## **Human Rights Campaign**

1640 Rhode Island Ave. N.W., Washington, DC 20036-3278

Toll-Free: (800) 777-4723

Fax: (202) 347-5323

The Human Rights Campaign is the largest national lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and queer civil rights organization. The HRC envisions a world where LGBTQ people are ensured of their basic equal rights, and can be open, honest and safe at home, at work and in the community. They are located in the nation's capital to further the needs of the LGBTQ community.

## **It Gets Better Campaign**

[www.itgetsbetter.org](http://www.itgetsbetter.org)

The mission is to communicate to lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender youth around the world that it gets better, and to create and inspire the changes needed to make it better for them.

### **Joint Commission LGBT Field Guide**

[www.jointcommission.org/lgbt](http://www.jointcommission.org/lgbt)

Guidelines to assist hospitals in creating a more welcoming and inclusive medical process

### **The Trevor Project**

866 4-U-TREVOR (866-488-7386)

[www.thetrevorproject.org](http://www.thetrevorproject.org)

The Trevor Project offers accredited life-saving, life-affirming programs and services to LGBTQ youth that create safe, accepting and inclusive environments over the phone, online and through text. The Trevor Project has crisis intervention programs, suicide prevention trainings and resources, as well as community resources and social media connections for LGBTQ youth.

**Trevor Lifeline** - The only national 24/7 crisis intervention and suicide prevention lifeline for LGBTQ young people (ages 13-24), available at 1-866-488-7386.

**TrevorChat** - A free, confidential, secure instant messaging service for LGBTQ youth that provides live help from trained volunteer counselors, open daily from 3:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. ET / 12:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. PT.

**TrevorText** - A free, confidential, secure service in which LGBTQ young people can text a trained Trevor counselor for support and crisis intervention, available Thursdays and Fridays from 4:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. ET / 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. PT at 202-304-1200.

### **Kaleidoscope**

Center For Family Services

1-800-255-4213

<https://www.facebook.com/KaleidoscopeNJ/>

Kaleidoscope is a community-based Gay-Straight Alliance. Kaleidoscope offers monthly student-led meetings in a safe, supportive environment for LGBT and allied teens to gather, socialize, organize, and help each other. Meetings are conveniently located at "The Spot" in the Voorhees Town Center every 3rd Saturday of the month from 1:00pm-3:00pm.

As the only youth-centric LGBT organization in South Jersey, this center fills a void in the community for those struggling with sexuality/gender identity/expression. It will allow those attending schools without a Gay-Straight Alliance to seek support and guidance, and serve to help unify area GSAs in planning out of school events such as a GSA Forum or GSA Prom.

Kaleidoscope's mission is to empower LGBTQ and allied youth to lead healthy, productive lives. We are committed to fostering a safe and welcoming atmosphere for all people, respecting and celebrating the beautiful diversity of sexual and affectional orientations and gender identities and expressions.

Kaleidoscope strives to be a youth-led organization, encouraging teens to take leadership roles and develop communication and organizational skills that will enrich their lives as they transition into adulthood.

### **Mazzoni Center: LGBTQ Health & Well-being**

The Mazzoni Center's mission is to provide quality comprehensive health and wellness services in an LGBTQ-focused environment, while preserving the dignity and improving the quality of life of the individuals we serve. Mazzoni Center is the only health care provider in the Philadelphia region specifically targeting the unique health care needs of the lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender

communities. The Mazzone Center offers health care, counseling & recovery services, support groups, youth specific services, HIV prevention & care, legal services, as well as training and resources.

**Main offices:** 21 S. 12th Street, 8th floor, Philadelphia, PA 19107

Phone: 215-563-0652; Fax: 215-563-0664; Legal services: 215-563-0657

*Counseling and behavioral health; case management; food bank; housing program; LGBT legal services; education and prevention programs.*

Monday through Friday: 9 am to 5 p.m.\*

(\*Open Door Behavioral Health evening hours from 5 to 9 p.m. Monday through Thursday)

**Mazzone Center Family & Community Medicine: 809 Locust Street**

Philadelphia, PA 19107

Phone: 215-563-0658

Fax: 215-923-0365

**Our primary care medical practice.**

Monday: 8:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. Tuesday: 9:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday: 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. (\*youth drop-in 5:00-7:00 p.m.)

Thursday: 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Friday: 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

**Washington West Project: 1201 Locust Street**

Philadelphia, PA 19107

Phone: 215-985-9206

*Free, walk-in HIV testing:*

Monday through Friday: 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. (last client 8:30 p.m.); Saturday: 1 to 5 p.m. (last client 4:30 p.m.)

*Free, walk-in STI screening:*

Tuesday: 1 to 6 p.m.

Thursday: 6 to 9 p.m.

Friday: 2 to 5 p.m.

Saturday: 1 to 4 p.m.

### **National Association of Social Workers, New Jersey Chapter**

#### **The Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender Issues Committee**

2 Quakerbridge Plaza

Hamilton, NJ 08619

Phone: (609) 584-5686 or (800) 932-0004 Fax: (609) 584-5681

Email: [naswnj@aol.com](mailto:naswnj@aol.com)

This committee has compiled a list of therapists with interest/experience in working with clients who are lesbian, gay, bisexual or transgender. Contact either Pat Brennan at (609) 695-0161 or Barry Moore at (973) 746- 6196.

### **National Center for Lesbian Rights (NCLR) Legal Helpline**

1-800-528-6257

NCLR provides this Legal Information Helpline as a service to all members of the LGBT community and our allies. The Legal Information Helpline provides basic information about laws that affect LGBT people, including family law, and about resources available for people who are facing discrimination or other civil rights issues. The Legal Information Helpline is not a client intake line. We do not provide any legal advice, legal representation or take on cases through the Legal Information Helpline.

### **National Gay and Lesbian Youth Hotline**

(800) 347-8336

This helpline operates from 7-11:45 p.m. on Thursday to Sunday, and provides crisis intervention and referral services to gay and lesbian youth nationwide.

### **National Suicide Prevention Lifeline**

1-800-273-8255

Suicide Prevention Hotline

### **NJ Hopeline**

1-855-NJ-HOPELINE (654-6735)

Suicide Prevention Hotline

### **The Peer Listening Line**

Phone: (800) 399-PEER

This is a toll-free helpline, staffed from 7-10 p.m. on Monday through Friday (as staffing allows) by trained gay youth volunteers backed by mental health professionals. The hotline provides peer support, resource referral and safer sex information.

### **PFLAG**

[www.pflag.org](http://www.pflag.org)

PFLAG promotes the health and well-being of gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender persons, their families 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. Serving southern New Jersey, PFLAG Collingswood provides parents, family members, friends, or gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender people with a variety of resources, including a support group, educational materials, and a topical speaker's series.

### **Philadelphia FIGHT**

Community Health Centers

1233 Locust Street, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Philadelphia, PA 19107

P: (215) 985-4448

[fight@fight.org](mailto:fight@fight.org)

Philadelphia FIGHT Community Health Centers provide culturally competent comprehensive primary care, and state of the art HIV primary care to low income members of the community, along with research, consumer education, advocacy, social services and outreach to people living with HIV and those who are at high risk, including family members, communities with high rates of HIV, formerly incarcerated persons, and young people at risk; and access to the most advanced clinical research in HIV treatment and prevention.

### **Point Foundation**

[www.pointfoundation.org](http://www.pointfoundation.org)

Point Foundation provides financial support, leadership training, mentoring and hope to meritorious students who are marginalized due to sexual orientation, gender identity and/or gender expression.

### **The Pride Center of New Jersey, GLBT Community Center**

85 Raritan Ave, Suite 100, Highland Park, NJ

Tel: 732-846-2232

Email: [host@pridecenter.org](mailto:host@pridecenter.org)

Web: <http://www.pridecenter.org>

The Pride Center of New Jersey is a welcoming place welcoming place for GLBTIQ men, women and teens to meet socialize, share, bond, grow in self-awareness and thrive. This center has a lending library and is a resource center for all age groups. In addition, it provides meeting space to numerous GLBT groups & organizations. Check the website for groups meeting here.

### **Southern New Jersey LGBTQ Pride**

PO Box 113 Stratford, NJ 08084

Phone: 856-248-0332

E-mail: [snjgaypride@gmail.com](mailto:snjgaypride@gmail.com)

Southern New Jersey LGBTQA Pride is a grass-root organization that promotes equality, respect, and awareness of causes important to the gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender and questioning community of Southern New Jersey and surrounding area.

### **Teen Space**

Planned Parenthood of Southern New Jersey, 317 Broadway, Camden, NJ 08103

Contact: Jennifer Jo

Phone: 856-365-3519 ext. 232

Email: [jenniferjo.stevens@ppsnj.org](mailto:jenniferjo.stevens@ppsnj.org)

Provides safe space for LGBTQ teens in the Camden, NJ area. Meets on Wednesdays at 4:00PM. Pizza and soda are served.

### **Transgender Law Center**

[www.transgenderlaw.org](http://www.transgenderlaw.org)

The Transgender Law Center (TLC) is a civil rights organization advocating for transgender communities.

### **University of Pennsylvania's LGBT Health Program**

Penn Medicine Program for LGBT Health

502 Johnson Pavilion, 3610 Hamilton Walk, Philadelphia, PA 19104-6073

215-573-8499

[lgbthlth@med.upenn.edu](mailto:lgbthlth@med.upenn.edu)

The Penn Medicine Program for Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender (LGBT) Health is dedicated to improving the health of all LGBT people. Penn Medicine believes all patients have the right to high-quality, patient-centered health care that is equal and unbiased. The Penn Medicine Program for LGBT Health partners patients with compassionate and skilled providers across the health system that offer culturally competent care in a judgment-free setting.

### **William Way, LGBT Community Center**

1315 Spruce Street, Philadelphia, PA 19107 | 215-732-2220  
Monday-Friday 11am - 10pm | Saturday-Sunday 12pm - 5pm  
<http://waygay40.org/>

The William Way LGBT Community Center serves the LGBT community of Philadelphia and its allies 365 days a year. From social groups, networking events, and counseling and support services to art exhibitions and cultural experiences, the Center consistently strives to provide new and innovative programs for the LGBT communities of Philadelphia.

### **Out Philadelphia Athletic League**

OPAL is a nonprofit sport and social group for the sports leagues in the Greater Philadelphia Metropolitan area that focus their activities within the gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender community.

**Stonewall Sports - Philadelphia** is a non-profit organization focused on enhancing the quality of life in the LGBT community of Philadelphia by providing a fun, welcoming and social atmosphere for athletic competition. We aim to change lives while giving back to local charities through financial contributions.

[stonewallsportsphilly@gmail.com](mailto:stonewallsportsphilly@gmail.com)  
<http://stonewallphilly.org/>

### **WPATH – World Professional Association for Transgender Health**

[www.wpath.org](http://www.wpath.org)

A professional organization devoted to the understanding and treatment of gender identity.

### **Youth Making A Difference (Y-MAD) & Homophobia Reduction Program**

A youth peer educator program targeting African American and Latino youths age 13 to 18, who learn leadership, group facilitation, presentation, and homophobia reduction techniques. Once trained, Peer Educators teach others how to: Build self-esteem, positive self-image and coping skills in gay youth; Reduce HIV/AIDS and other sexually transmitted diseases (STDs) in their communities; Decrease homophobia among parents, teachers and health and human service providers. Staff provide HIV/AIDS related information, education, prevention information, prevention strategies and community outreach to youth. <http://www.ymad.org/>

### **2nd Floor**

1-888-222-2228

2NDFLOOR is a confidential and anonymous helpline for New Jersey's youth and young adults. We are here to help you find solutions to the problems that you face and we are available 24/7 365 days a year.