

Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgendered Persons Resource Guide

Tennessee Organizations

<u>Statewide</u>

ACLU of Tennessee The ACLU brings more LGBT cases and advocacy initiatives than any other national organization with reach into the courts and legislatures of every state.

P.O. Box 120160 Nashville, TN 37212 Phone: (615-320-7142 Email: <u>aclutn@aclu-tn.org</u> Website: <u>www.aclu-tn.org</u>

• Tennessee Equality Project

Statewide organization promoting the civil rights of LGBT persons through lobbying and educating Tennesseans about LGBT history and issues.

PO Box 330895 Nashville, TN 37203 Phone: (615) 390-5252 Website: <u>http://www.tnep.org/</u>

Tennessee Transgender Political Coalition

The Tennessee Transgender Political Coalition is an organization designed to educate and advocate on behalf of transgender related legislation at the Federal, State, and local levels. The Coalition is dedicated to raising public awareness and building alliances with other organizations concerned with equal rights legislation.

Website: http://www.ttgpac.com

<u>Chattanooga</u>

Brothers United Nashville

Brothers United is a collective of African American Gay/SGL Men that seek to provide community empowerment and self-actualization. The organization strives to provide continuous psychosocial, life coaching, affirming pastoral care, and healthy social supports to the African American LGBT community to enhance their life.

Email: <u>brosunitedchatt@aol.com</u> Website: <u>www.brothersunited.com/chattanooga.htm</u>

• PFLAG Chattanooga

Non-profit organization seeking to promote the health and well-being of LGBT persons and their families and friends through education, advocacy, and support.

P.O. Box 17252 Chattanooga, TN 37415 Phone: (423) 875-5750

• TN Valley Pride

Non-profit organization promoting diversity in the Chattanooga area and awareness about LGBT issues.

P.O. Box 8116 Chattanooga, TN 37414 Website: http://tennesseevalleypride.com/

Crossville

• PFLAG Crossville/Cumberland County

Non-profit organization seeking to promote the health and well-being of LGBT persons and their families and friends through education, advocacy, and support.

P.O. Box 272 Pleasant Hill, TN 38578 Phone: (931) 277-5853

Johnson City

• PFLAG Johnson City/Kingsport/Bristol

Non-profit organization seeking to promote the health and well-being of LGBT persons and their families and friends through education, advocacy, and support.

P.O. Box 42 Mountain Home, TN 37684 Phone: (423) 483-7129 Email: <u>pflagtricities@yahoo.com</u> Website: <u>http://www.pflagtricities.org/</u>

<u>Knoxville</u>

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Email: <u>brosunitedknox@aol.com</u> Website: <u>www.brothersunited.com/knoxville.html</u>

• GLSEN East Tennessee

Regional education organization working to ensure safe schools for all students, regardless of sexual orientation and gender identity.

2833 Louisville Rd Louisville, TN 37777 Phone: (865) 405-4203\ Website: http://chapters.glsen.org/cgi-bin/iowa/etenn/home.html

• PFLAG Knoxville

Non-profit organization seeking to promote the health and well-being of LGBT persons and their families and friends through education, advocacy, and support.

2931 Kingston Pike Knoxville, TN 37919 Phone: (865) 988-8537 Email: <u>knoxpflag@hotmail.com</u> Website: <u>http://pflagknoxville.org/</u>

• UT Knoxville Lambda Student Union

The organization seeks to increase gay visibility on its campus, to provide a means of communication among LGBT persons, to elevate understanding about sexual minorities, and to make it easier to be comfortable as an LGBT individual at university and in society.

315 University Center, Box 315 1502 West Cumberland Avenue Knoxville, TN 37996-4800 Email: <u>lambda@utk.edu</u> Website: <u>http://web.utk.edu/~lambda/</u>

<u>Memphis</u>

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Email: <u>hardawayarg@yahoo.com</u> Website: <u>www.brothersunited.com/memphis.htm</u>

• Memphis Area Gay Youth

Youth-run support and advocacy group for LGBT youth ages 13-20. Offers referral services, education resources, social events, discussions, community volunteer opportunities, and a 24-hour phone line.

P.O. Box 241852 Memphis, TN 38124 Phone: (901) 335-MAGY Email: <u>magyinfo@aol.com</u> Website: <u>http://www.facebook.com/MemphisAreaGayYouth</u>

• Memphis Gay and Lesbian Community Center

Community organization offering an array of services to LGBT individuals, including the Queer as Youth program for teens ages 13-19, the GenQ program for youth and allies ages 19-24, and Youth Empowerment Services emergency services program for youth ages 18-24.

892 South Cooper Street Memphis, TN 38104 Phone: (901) 278-6422 Website: <u>http://www.mglcc.org/</u>

• PFLAG Memphis

Non-profit organization seeking to promote the health and well-being of LGBT persons and their families and friends through education, advocacy, and support.

1303 Calais Rd. Memphis, TN 38120 Phone: (901) 682-8709 Email: pflagmemphis@pflagmemphis.org

<u>Maryville</u>

• PFLAG Maryville

Non-profit organization seeking to promote the health and well-being of LGBT persons and their families and friends through education, advocacy, and support.

520 Westwood Dr Maryville, TN 37803 Email: rlucas@pflagmaryville.org Phone: (865) 368-6665 Website: http://www.pflagmaryville.org/

<u>Nashville</u>

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PO Box 68335 Nashville, TN 37206 Phone: (615) 259-4866 (x. 269) Email: <u>BrosUnited@aol.com</u> Website: <u>www.brothersunited.com/nashville.htm</u>

• GLSEN Middle Tennessee

Regional education organization working to ensure safe schools for all students, regardless of sexual orientation and gender identity.

PO Box 60156 Nashville, TN 37206 Phone: (615) 669-6744 E-mail: <u>middletn@chapters.glsen.org</u> Website: <u>http://chapters.glsen.org/cgi-bin/iowa/mtenn/home.html</u>

• Nashville Pride

Annual celebration of LGBT pride and culture. Also has education and outreach programs.

P.O. Box 330931 Nashville, TN 37203-7506 Phone: (615) 650-6736 Website: http://nashvillepride.org/

• OutCentral

LGBT cultural center offering a variety of events and programs—conferences, lectures, films, concerts, readings, community forums, panel discussions, workshops, etc. Also offers meeting spaces for organizations and offices, lockers, and work areas to nonprofit organizations serving the community.

P.O. Box 331935 Nashville, TN 37203 Phone: (615) 294-4834 Email: <u>info@outcentral.org</u> Website: <u>http://outcentral.org/main/</u>

• PFLAG Nashville

Non-profit organization seeking to promote the health and well-being of LGBT persons and their families and friends through education, advocacy, and support.

P.O. Box 2105 Antioch, TN 37011-2105 Email: <u>info@pflagnashville.org</u> Website: <u>http://www.pflagnashville.org/</u>

• Sisters United

Sisters United's goal is to create a platform for Lesbian Women of Color to gather information, voice & advocate needs, receive referral and support services, as well as to promote health education awareness.

Phone: (615) 974-2832 Email: <u>sistersunitedinfo@yahoo.com</u> Website: <u>www.brothersunited.com/sistersunited.htm</u>

• Vanderbilt Lambda Association

An organization at Vanderbilt University intended to reach out to and serve the needs of gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender, queer, and intersex (LGBTQI) members of Vanderbilt's community, with a specific focus on developing ties between the LGBTQI community and the heterosexual/straight/mainstream community.

Email: <u>lambda@vanderbilt.edu</u> Website: <u>http://studentorgs.vanderbilt.edu/lambda/</u>

• The Office of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer, and Intersex Life at Vanderbilt University

Offers programming and resources to educate the campus and community about issues of sexual orientation and gender identity.

VU Station B #351599 2301 Vanderbilt Place Nashville, Tennessee 37235-1599 Phone: (615) 322-3330 E-mail: <u>lgbtqilife@vanderbilt.edu</u> Website: http://www.vanderbilt.edu/lgbtqi/

• Young Brothers United

This organization seeks to uplift a generation of young African-American Same Gender Loving Males in Nashville through professional & personal development while also providing HIV/AIDS prevention outreach, education and awareness to youth between the ages of 13-24. The group provides a safe space to discuss issues, as well as providing advocates, peer educators and mentors who help promote physical, spiritual and mental well-being.

501 Brick Church Park Drive Nashville, TN 37207 Phone: 615.259.4866 (x 221) Toll-Free 1.800.845.4266 Fax: 615.259.4849 Email: <u>dusher@nashvillecares.org</u> or <u>youngbrothersunited@nashvillecares.org</u> Website: <u>http://www.brothersunited.com/youngbu.htm</u>

National Organizations

• ACLU LGBT Project

The mission of the ACLU LGBT Project is the creation of a society in which lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender (LGBT) people enjoy the constitutional rights of equality, privacy and personal autonomy, and freedom of expression and association.

Website: https://www.aclu.org/lgbt-rights

• Gay and Lesbian Alliance Against Defamation (GLAAD)

Organization promoting the fair and accurate portrayal of LGBT individuals in the media.

Los Angeles Office 5455 Wilshire Blvd, #1500 Los Angeles, CA 90036 Phone: (323) 933-2240 Fax: (323) 933-2241 New York Office 104 West 29th Street, 4th Floor New York, NY 10001 Phone: (212) 629-3322 Fax: (212) 629-3225

Website: http://www.glaad.org/

• GLBT National Help Center

Website: http://www.glnh.org/

• **GLBT National Hotline** *Provides near-counseling info a*

Provides peer-counseling, info, and local resources Phone: 1-888-THE-GLNH

• GLBT National Youth Talkline

For teens and young adults up to age 25; provides peer-counseling, info, and local resources. Phone: 1-800-246-7743

• Online Peer-Support Chat

Instant messaging with a peer-counselor volunteer.

Website: http://www.volunteerlogin.org/chat/

• Gay, Lesbian, and Straight Education Network (GLSEN) National education organization working to ensure safe schools for all students, regardless of sexual orientation and gender identity.

Website: http://www.glsen.org/cgi-bin/iowa/all/home/index.html

• Gay Straight Alliance Network

Gay-Straight Alliance Network is a youth leadership organization that connects schoolbased Gay-Straight Alliances (GSAs) to each other and community resources through peer support, leadership development, and training. GSA Network supports young people in starting, strengthening, and sustaining GSAs.

Website: <u>http://www.gsanetwork.org/</u>

• Gender Spectrum

Gender Spectrum provides education, training and support to help create a gender sensitive and inclusive environment for all children and teens.

Phone: (510) 567-3977 Email: <u>info@genderspectrum.org</u> Website: http://www.genderspectrum.org

• Human Rights Campaign (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.

1640 Rhode Island Ave. N.W. Washington, DC 20036-3278 Phone: (202) 628-4160 Toll-Free: (800) 777-4723 TTY: (202) 216-1572 Fax: (202) 347-5323 Website: http://www.hrc.org/

• Immigration Equality

National organization promoting equal immigration rights for LGBT and HIV/AIDS individuals.

40 Exchange Place, 17th Floor New York, NY 10005 Phone: (212) 714-2904 Fax: (212) 714-2973 Website: http://www.immigrationequality.org/

• It Gets Better Project

The It Gets Better Project was created to show young LGBT people the levels of happiness, potential, and positivity their lives will reach – if they can just get through their teen years. The It Gets Better Project wants to remind teenagers in the LGBT community that they are not alone — and it WILL get better.

Website: <u>http://www.itgetsbetter.org</u>

• Lambda Legal

Legal organization promoting the civil rights of lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgendered people, and people with HIV/AIDS, through litigation, education, and public policy work.

National Office 120 Wall Street Suite 1500 New York, NY 10005-3904 Phone: (212) 809-8585 Fax: (212) 809-0055 Southern Regional Office 730 Peachtree Street, NE Suite 1070 Atlanta, GA 30308-1210 Phone: (404) 897-1880 Fax: (404) 897-1884

Website: http://www.lambdalegal.org/

• National Center for Lesbian Rights

The National Center for Lesbian Rights is a national legal organization committed to advancing the civil and human rights of lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender people and their families through litigation, public policy advocacy, and public education.

870 Market Street Suite 370 San Francisco CA 94102 Phone: (415) 392-6257 Fax: (415) 392-8442 Website: http://www.nclrights.org

• National Gay and Lesbian Task Force

Works for the civil rights of LGBT persons through grassroots organizing, research and policy analysis.

1325 Massachusetts Ave. NW Suite 600 Washington, DC 20005 Phone: (202) 393-5177 Fax: (202) 393-2241 Website: http://www.thetaskforce.org/

• Parents, Friends and Family of Lesbians and Gays (PFLAG)

Non-profit organization seeking to promote the health and well-being of LGBT persons and their families and friends through education, advocacy, and support.

Website: www.pflag.org/

• Servicemembers Legal Defense Network

A national legal aid and watchdog organization that assists men and women targeted by military policies on gay and lesbian personnel.

PO Box 65301 Washington, DC 20035 Phone: (202) 328-3244 Fax: (202) 797-1635 Email: <u>sldn@sldn.org</u> Website: http://www.sldn.org/

• Trans Youth Family Allies

TYFA empowers children and families by partnering with educators, service providers and communities to develop supportive environments in which gender may be expressed and respected. We envision a society free of suicide and violence in which ALL children are respected and celebrated.

PO Box 1471 Holland, MI 49422-1471 Phone: 1-888-462-8932 Email: <u>info@imatyfa.org</u> Website: <u>http://www.imatyfa.org</u>

• 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 youth.

24 hour suicide prevention hotline: 1-866-488-7386 Website: http://www.thetrevorproject.org