## TRANS RESOURCE & REFERRAL GUIDE

The *Trans Resource and Referral Guide* originated from a coalition of trans-identified activists and providers who met in 2003 and 2004 and identified a need for an ongoing, frequently updated list of referrals for transgender people in need of services. The organizations listed in this guide have been included because we believe they can be useful to transgender people, *however the presence of an organization in this guide does not guarantee that it is a safe referral for transgender people.* Where possible, we have indicated whether there are trans staff at a given organization or whether the organization has undergone transgender sensitivity training of some kind. Neither of these criteria can be used to determine whether a trans person will be treated with respect when reaching out to these organizations for help, and we encourage allies and providers to call ahead or accompany trans clients to ensure a supportive experience.

It is our intention to keep this guide updated by making it available through the Sylvia Rivera Law Project web site where users can email in corrections and updates. This initial print version was made in Spring 2006 and should be cross referenced with the online version to check for any changes or updates.

We hope that this guide will be a useful tool in meeting the needs of trans and gender non-conforming New Yorkers who continue to face persistent and severe discrimination when accessing legal, social, educational, and health services.

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## ADVOCACY AND ORGANIZING

### **Audre Lorde Project**

LGBTST, people of color, POC, community organizing, education

SERVICES The Audre Lorde Project is a Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Two Spirit and Transgender

People of Color center for community organizing, focusing on the New York City

area.

CONTACT Imani Henry

718-596-0342, x18

85 South Oxford Street, Brooklyn, NY 11217-1607

NOTES TransJustice is the transgender working group of ALP, and meets every

Wednesday. Open to trans and gender non-conforming people of color. ALP has

trans staff.

### FIERCE!

youth, training, community organizing, political education, anti-oppression trainings

SERVICES FIERCE! is a community organizing project for transgender, lesbian, gay, bisex-

ual, Two Spirit, queer, and questioning (TLGBTSQQ) youth of color in New York City. FIERCE includes the Education for Liberation Project (ELP), a paid training program which provides comprehensive community organizing, political educa-

tion, and anti-oppression trainings to our constinuency.

CONTACT Bran Fenner

646-336-6789 x107

437 West 16th Street, Lower Level, New York, NY 10011

NOTES FIERCE has trans staff.

## New York Association of Gender Rights Advocacy (NYAGRA)

advocacy, education, policy

CONTACT Pauline Park

212-675-3288 x306 212-675-3466 fax

24 West 25th Street, 9th Floor, New York, NY 10010

www.nyagra.tripod.com

NOTES NYAGRA has trans staff.

#### Pride at Work

employment, labor

SERVICES The purpose of Pride At Work is to mobilize mutual support between the organ-

ized Labor Movement and the LGBT Community around organizing for social

and economic justice.

CONTACT Marta Ames, ED

202-637-5014 mames@aflcio.org

NY Chapter 101 3rd Avenue, #300 New York, NY 10021

### **Queers for Economic Justice**

LGBT, community organizing, education

SERVICES QEJ's work focuses on providing education and organizing opportunities for

queer low-income people, specifically shelter residents and people on public

assistance.

CONTACT Joseph DiFillipis

joseph@q4ej.org 212-564-3608

16 West 32nd Street, #10H, New York, NY 10001

queersforeconomicjustice.org

### SAGE: Seniors Acting in a GLBT Enviornment

seniors, advocacy, community organizing

SERVICES SAGE offers social services, programs and community-building to LGBT seniors

in and around New York City and provides education and advocacy on LGBT

aging issues nationwide.

CONTACT 212-741-2247

www.sageusa.org

NOTES Social services organization dedicated to the unique needs of senior lesbians and

gay men. Drop-in services are provided at the LGBT Community Center at 208

West 13th Street. Offers a trans-elders group, T-Starr.

### Sylvia Rivera Law Project

legal, legal services, advocacy, prisons, jails

SERVICES Provides free legal services for low income people and people of color who are

trans, intersex, or gender non-conforming, including issues related to housing, employment, foster care, welfare, benefits, immigration, school and the criminal

justice system.

CONTACT 212-337-8550, x1

322 8th Avenue, 3rd Floor, New York, NY 10001

www.srlp.org

NOTES SRLP is a collectively-run organization and welcomes new members and volun-

teers from the community. Has a community organizing team dedicated to assisting other organizing projects within low income and of color trans com-

munities. SRLP has trans leadership and staff.

## **ANTI-VIOLENCE**

## Battered Women Park Slope Safe Home Project

Domestic violence, shelter, transwomen

SERVICES Shelter for Domestic Violence, will take trans women.

CONTACT 718-499-2151

PO Box 429, Van Brunt Station, NY 11215

### **Domestic Violence Legal Advocacy Hotline**

domestic violence, legal

CONTACT 212-683-0605

### New York City Gay and Lesbian Anti-Violence Project

domestic violence, crime victims

SERVICES Provides peer counseling and advocacy to LGBT and HIV+ victims of violence.

Also provides trainings to law enforcement and service provides and documents

bias crimes against the LGBT and HIV+ people.

CONTACT 212-714-1141

## HIV

### **AIDS Center of Queens County (ACQC)**

AIDS, HIV, LGBT, youth

SERVICES Offers a broad range of services for LGBT adults and youth and has offered

trans-specific groups in the past.

CONTACT Rego Park 718-896-2500

Jamaica 718-739-2525 Far Rockaway 718-868-8648

#### **APICHA**

AIDS, HIV, LGBT, API, Asian/Pacific Islander, Community Organizing, Education

SERVICES HIV/AIDS organizing and education in Asian/Pacific Islander communities.

Includes TAPA, Transgender Asian Pacific Alliance.

CONTACT Sunny

718-457-9662 www.apicha.org infoline1@apicha.or

150 Lafayette Street, 6th Floor, New York, NY 10013

NOTES APICHA's mission is to combat AIDS-related discrimination and to support,

empower, and enhance the quality of life of Asians and Pacific Islanders in New

York City. APICHA has trans staff.

## Frost'D (From Our Streets with Dignity)

sex workers, needle exchange

SERVICES Works primarily with sex-workers, including transgender sex workers. Offering;

needle exchange, mobile unit. Harm reduction services: HIV testing, ID apps, case management, clothes, food, mobile units, referrals. The Frost'D staff has

been trained in trans sensitivity.

CONTACT 212-924-3733

369 8th Avenue, New York, NY 10001

### Gay Men's Health Crisis

HIV/AIDS, legal, education, advocacy

SERVICES HIV/AIDS organization including direct services, legal services, education, advo-

cacy, testing and more.

CONTACT Alexandra C. Remmel, Coordinator, Client Advocacy

212-367-1143 212-367-1468 fax

119 West 24th Street, New York, NY 10011

www.gmhc.org

notes GMHC has trans staff. For more information, see also the entry for

*Trans Action-GMHC.* 

### **Greenwich House**

HIV/AIDS, treatment programs, drug-free treatment

SERVICES HIV & Drug Free Treatment Services. Settlement house-based services offering

outpatient HIV and substance abuse treatment programs with a history of pro-

ductively serving trans clients.

CONTACT 212-691-2900

212-675-2985 fax

80 5th Avenue, 10th Floor New York, NY 10011

### **Hispanic AIDS Forum**

people of color, HIV, AIDS, treatment, education, prevention services

SERVICES The Hispanic AIDS Forum (HAF) is New York City's premier Latino-run

HIV/AIDS organization offering treatment, education and innovative prevention services. Offers bilingual services in Spanish and English, including: HIV prevention implemented via a peer education model, with outreach, individual and group counseling and referral services; HIV testing; community building events; alcohol and chemical dependency education, support groups, motivational counseling and referrals; HIV/domestic violence prevention program for Latina women; youth peer-ed program; HIV/AIDS wellness programs and support services. The Woodside location has support groups and services for trans

women.

CONTACT Fernando LaSalle

212-741-9797

New York: 212-563-4500 / 212-868-6237 fax Queens: 718-803-2766 / 718-803-0321 fax Bronx: 718-328-4188 / 718-328-2888 fax

13 West 35th Street, Suite 12W, New York, NY 10001-1903

www.hafnyc.org

NOTES HAF has trans staff.

### HIV / AIDS Representation Project (H/ARP)

HIV, AIDS, legal services, housing law, family law

SERVICES Provides civil legal services to HIV+ people in all 5 boroughs, but tries to limit

court appearances to Manhattan and Bronx. Housing cases (eviction defense, repair issues, succession rights, etc.), family law (child custody, adoption, child support), government benefits (SSI/SSD, welfare), some credit issues, name changes, uncontested divorces, limited immigration advice. Can also answer gen-

eral legal questions even if HIV-.

CONTACT Hasan

212-426-3087

NOTES Unit is trans friendly and has gender neutral bathrooms. Requirements for rep-

resentation are that client is HIV+ (or affected by HIV, which usually means someone in household is HIV+) and low-income (usually means at or below

125% of federal poverty level). Intake process is pretty informal.

### **HIV Law Project**

legal services, HIV

SERVICES The HIV Law Project provides free civil legal services to HIV-positive residents

of Manhattan and the Bronx, and homeless New Yorkers. Experienced legal staff provide clients with a range of legal services in the following areas of law: housing and eviction prevention, immigration law, government benefits, family law, public and private health insurance issues, consumer and creditor/debtor law, employment law and benefit issues, last wills and testaments and advanced planning, and HIV-related confidentiality and discrimination issues. Social services

are also available.

CONTACT 212-577-3001

15 Maiden Lane, 18th Floor, New York, NY 10038

### **Housing Works**

legal services, HIV, AIDS, homeless, detox, referrals

SERVICES Provides job training programs, day treatment, and direct legal help to HIV+

clients. Immediate services for homeless and detox referrals. Housing Works also has support groups and a transitional housing program for transgender clients.

CONTACT Matthew Carmody, Armen Merjian, Arlene Hoffman, Barbara Pesina

212-967-1500

212-645-8111 TEP x110 or x109 320 West 13th Street, New York NY

718-827-8700

2640 Pitkin Avenue Brooklyn, NY 10014

www.housingworks.org

NOTES Housing Works has trans staff.

### **Lower East Side Harm Reduction Center**

referrals, HIV, needle exchange

SERVICES Syringe exchange (intravenous and intramuscular), support groups, free mental

health services, drop-in center, all-gender bathroom on site.

CONTACT 212-226-6333

### Michael Callen-Audre Lorde Community Health Center (Callen-Lorde)

medical, HIV/AIDS

SERVICES New York's only medical facility dedicated to meeting the health care needs of

the lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender (LGBT) communities and people liv-

ing with HIV/AIDS—regardless of any patient's ability to pay.

CONTACT 212-271-7200

212-271-8112 fax

356 West 18th Street, New York, NY 10011

www.callen-lorde.org

NOTES C-L is a medical facility for the LGBT and HIV/AIDS communities including

physical exams, immunizations, gynecological services, mental health counseling, HIV services and senior wellness. Trans-care is a basic component of C-L's services and includes medical and mental health services to assist with transition or after surgery. C-L can be considered a primary resource and referral for trans

health care.

### New York Harm Reduction Educators, Inc.

street outreach

CONTACT 718-842-6050

Bronx

NOTES Trans-specific street outreach; developing mobile clinic. Has trans staff.

## New York State AIDS Institute, Bureau of Special Populations

funding, HIV/AIDS

CONTACT Alma Candelas

212-268-6124

arc03@health.state.ny.us

NOTES The AIDS Institute Bureau of Special Populations has been including trans-

specific issues in their requests for proposals for funding.

## **Queens Syringe Access Program**

referrals, HIV, needle exchange

SERVICES Has intravenous and intramuscular syringes.

CONTACT 347-723-7222

Call for hours of operation

### **People of Color in Crisis**

POC, people of color, HIV, AIDS, treatment, education, prevention services, community organizing

SERVICES POCC was founded in 1988 by a group of African American and West Indian

gay men concerned about the lack of HIV/AIDS information being given to the community. POCC has since evolved into a not-for-profit community based organization with a wide array of prevention and support services for individu-

als both infected and affected by the AIDS epidemic.

CONTACT 718-230-0770

www.pocc.org

### **Positive Health Project**

HIV, AIDS, support groups, needle exchange

SERVICES PHP links harm reduction, recovery readiness, and relapse prevention into a

cohesive continuous model of service delivery. Services include outreach, HIV care services, HIV prevention education, support groups, and educational mate-

rials.

CONTACT Fernando LaSalle

212-465-8304 212-465-8304 x14

(Michelle Sosa, Transgender Client Advocate/Case Manager)

212-465-8306 fax

301 West 37th Street, New York, NY 10018

NOTES PHP has trans staff.

#### **Trans Action-GMHC**

HIV, AIDS, mental health, transgender females, POC, people of color

SERVICES Trans Action is an HIV prevention intervention for transgender females of color

under 29 years old. This intervention is based in a cognitive-behavioral model and will address the psychosocial and socio-economic issues and needs of transgender females of color in NYC that are factors of high-risk behaviors through empowerment workshops, referrals, and high treshold group convesations.

CONTACT Elizabeth Rivera

212-367-1519 212-367-1370

elizabethr@gmhc.org

119 West 24th Street, 8th Floor, New York, NY 10011

www.gmhc.org

NOTES The purpose of Trans Action is to increase the awareness and decrease the trans-

mission of HIV/AIDS amongst Transgender Females (M2F) of Color in NYC. Trans Action will provide a safe space for free expression & empowerment, recruitment, retention, health & wellness, and access to health information on the many risks associated with this population such as the unmonitored use of "street" hormones, the risks of loose silicone pumping and the risks of sex work. Trans Action is aimed at providing an opportunity for TFOC to develop and strengthen the skills necessary to move toward self-sufficiency, self-acceptance and personal success, reaching their full potential. GMHC has trans staff.

## **IDENTITY DOCUMENTS**

## Name Change Clerk (Manhattan Civil Court)

name change

CONTACT Melanie Martinez

646-386-5609 111 Centre Street

NOTES: Any person living in New York City (any borough) can change their name in

Manhattan Civil Court. Instructions in English and Spanish are available on the

SRLP website: www.srlp.org

### Name Change Publication at New York Beacon

name change

CONTACT Edna

212-213-8585 212-213-6291 fax

341 W 38 Street, New York, NY 10016

NOTES Bring in a copy of the name change order. Affidavit of publication may be picked

up on Friday. Flat rate charge is \$37.

### **New York State Vital Records Office**

birth certificate

SERVICES New birth certificates for people born in NY State, outside NYC.

CONTACT Peter Carrucci

(518) 474-5245

P.O. Box 2602, Albany, NY 12220-2602

NOTES Will issue short form birth certificates that don't show gender if requested.

## New York City, Department of Vital Records, Corrections

birth certificate

SERVICES For people born in NYC, who need a birth certificate with changed name and

gender.

CONTACT Edna Timbers

212-788-4540 212-788-4500 212-788-4575

www.nyc.gov/html/doh/html/vr/vrbappl.html

NOTES To learn more about the requirements for changing name and gender, contact

SRLP at 212-337-8550, x1.

### West Village Trans Legal Name Change Clinic

name change

SERVICES Sponsored by LeGaL. Offers assistance in making name change petitions.

Operates first Monday of each month with sign in from 6-6:30 р.м. A GIP coun-

selor/outreach specialist is also available at the clinic.

CONTACT Tom Hickey

212-620-7310

for more info call: 212-353-9118

208 West 13th Street (between 7th and 8th Avenues), New York, NY 10011

NOTES Clients should arrive before 6:30 p.m. to ensure they will be seen that night. Name

change only. Forms provided but no follow-up.

## **IMMIGRATION**

## **Catholic Charities Immigration Hotline**

immigration

CONTACT 1-800-566-7636

### City Bar Association Community Outreach Project

political asylum

CONTACT 212-382-6710

Political Asylum Number: 212-382-6626

## **Hebrew Immigrant Aid Project**

immigration

CONTACT Reena Arya

212-613-1444

## Immigration Equality (formerly Lesbian and Gay Immigration Rights Task Force)

immigration, legal services

SERVICES Immigration information & legal counseling for LGBT & HIV+ people regard-

less of ability to pay.

CONTACT Victoria Neilson

212-714-2904, ext. 25

230 Park Avenue #904 New York, NY 10169

www.lgirtf.org

## **Immigration Law Project**

### (City Bar Association Community Outreach Project)

immigration

CONTACT Suzanne Tomatoar

212-382-6717

### **New York Immigration Coalition**

NOTES An umbrella group of policy and advocacy organizations working with immi-

grans and refugees in New York State.

CONTACT 212-627-2227

## **LEGAL**

#### **Anti-Discrimination Center**

legal

SERVICES Works to prevent and remedy all forms of discrimination in housing, employ-

ment, education, and public accommodations through advocacy, litigation, education, outreach, research, and monitoring. Focuses on housing discrimination.

CONTACT 212-346-7600

#### **Bronx Criminal Court**

criminal court

CONTACT 718-590-2853

NOTES Call the above number if you have questions about getting certificates of disposi-

tion from arrests or convictions in Bronx Criminal Court.

### **Civilian Complaint Review Board**

police brutality

SERVICES The New York City Civilian Complaint Review Board (CCRB) is an independent

and non-police mayoral agency. It is empowered to receive, investigate, hear, make findings and recommend action on complaints against New York City police officers which allege the use of excessive or unnecessary force, abuse of authority, discourtesy, or the use of offensive language. Complaints may be made by any person whether or not that person is a victim of, or witness to, an inci-

dent.

CONTACT 311

40 Rector Street, 2nd Floor, New York, NY 10006

www.nyc.gov/html/ccrb

## City Bar Fund—SHIELD

legal services, divorce

SERVICES SHIELD operates the following projects: The SHIELD hotline offers legal infor-

mation, advice and referrals to about 1,000 callers each month. Hotline callers' questions span the full range of problems facing people who cannot afford a lawyer, including matrimonial law, housing law, domestic violence and benefits. The Pro Se Uncontested Divorce Clinics assist self-represented uncontested divorce seekers by completing the necessary court papers. The Pro Se Contested

Divorce Clinics provides free brief services by experienced volunteer matrimonial practitioners for self-represented people embroiled in contested divorce

cases.

CONTACT 212-626-7383

212-549-2585

125 Broad Street, New York NY 10004

### Commission on Human Rights, Intake Appointments

human rights, law, legal

CONTACT 212-306-7450

NOTES Call the number above to file complaints under the New York City human rights

law.

#### The Door

youth, referrals, health services, health referrals, GED, legal services

Services Social services for all youth, offers an LGBT youth group as well as health care

services, referrals and GED. Membership is required and orientations are at 3:30 P.M. on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday (call first for an appointment).

CONTACT 212-941-9090

55 Broome Street (between 6th Avenue and Varick Street), New York, NY

NOTES The Door has worked with numberous trans youth, especially as they have

sought GED and reading resources, and seems to be trans-supportive.

## **Equal Opportunity Employment Commission, NY Dist. Office**

employment

SERVICES Call to file complaints regarding unemployment discrimination under federal

law.

CONTACT 212-336-3620

33 Whitehall St New York, NY 10004

## Gay Men's Health Crisis

HIV/AIDS, legal, education, advocacy

SERVICES HIV/AIDS organization including direct services, legal services, education, advo-

cacy, testing and more.

CONTACT Alexandra C. Remmel, Coordinator, Client Advocacy

212-367-1143 212-367-1468 fax

119 West 24th Street, New York, NY 10011

www.gmhc.org

## **HIV Law Project**

HIV/AIDS, legal, legal services

SERVICES The HIV Law Project provides free civil legal services to HIV-positive residents

of Manhattan and the Bronx, and homeless New Yorkers. Experienced legal staff

provide clients with a range of legal services in the following areas of law: housing and eviction prevention, immigration law, government benefits, family law, public and private health insurance issues, consumer and creditor/debtor law, employment law and benefit issues, last wills and testaments and advance planning, and HIV-related confidentiality and discrimination issues. Social services are also available.

CONTACT 212-577-3001

15 Maiden Lane, 18th Floor, New York, NY 10038

### **Housing Works**

legal services, HIV, AIDS, homeless, detox, referrals

SERVICES Provides job training programs, day treatment, and direct legal help to HIV+

clients. Immediate services for homeless and detox referrals. Housing Works also has a transitional housing program for transgender clients and support groups.

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212-645-8111 TEP x110 or x109 320 West 13th Street, New York NY

718-827-8700

2640 Pitkin Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 10014

www.housingworks.org

NOTES Housing Works has transgender staff.

### Lambda Legal Defense and Education Fund

legal, litigation, public policy, education, trainings

SERVICES Lambda Legal is a national organization committed to achieving full recognition

of the civil rights of lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender people, and people

with HIV through impact litigation, education, and public policy work.

CONTACT 212-809-8585 x294

120 Wall Street, Suite 1500, New York, NY 10005

www.lambdalegal.org

NOTES Lambda Legal has trans staff.

## Lawyers for Children

legal, legal services, youth

SERVICES Includes LGBT specific project; focus on foster care.

CONTACT Kristin Kimmel

212-966-6420

110 Lafayette Street, 8th Floor, New York, NY 10013

www.lawyersforchildren.org

### Legal Aid

legal services, immigration, housing, legal

SERVICES Provides direct legal services to low-income people throughout New York.

CONTACT 888-218-6974

NOTES Legal Aid has many offices. Consult www.lawhelp.org/ny to find an office that

serves your neighborhood or call the above number.

### Legal Aid Health Law Unit

health, legal

SERVICES Medicaid, hospital billing, health law.

CONTACT Lisa Sprana

Health Law Hotline: 888-500-2455

212-577-3300

### **Legal Services New York**

benefits, legal services, housing

SERVICES Provides direct legal services to low-income people throughout New York.

CONTACT 212-431-7200

NOTES Legal Services has many offices. Consult www.lawhelp.org/ny to find an office

that serves your neighborhood or call the above number.

### **National Employment Law Project**

employment, advocacy, low-income

SERVICES The National Employment Law Project (NELP) has advocated for over 30 years

on behalf of low-wage workers, the poor, the unemployed, and other groups that face significant barriers to employment and government systems of support.

CONTACT 212-285-3025

55 John Street, 7th Floor New York, NY 10038

www.nelp.org

## New York Police Department—Liason to LGBT Community

police, police brutality

CONTACT Detective Vanessa Ferro

212-374-2366 212-374-3839 212-374-0249 fax

## New York State Division of Human Rights

human rights

SERVICES Enforces state human rights law. Call to make complaints if you have experi-

enced discrimination.

CONTACT 914-788-8050

8 John Walsh Blvd, Suite 204, Peekskill, NY 10566

www.dhr.state.ny.us

### Peter Cicchino Youth Project—Urban Justice Center

youth, advocacy, legal, foster care

SERVICES Conducts legal clinics at drop-in centers for runaways and LGBT youth, does

advocacy and impact litigation, and works with LGBT young adults who are

aging out of foster care

CONTACT Anya Mukarji-Connolly

646-602-5636

### Sylvia Rivera Law Project

legal, legal services, advocacy, prisons, jails, trainings

SERVICES Provides free legal services for low income people and people of color who are

trans, intersex, or gender non-conforming, including issues related to housing, employment, foster care, welfare, benefits, immigration, school and the criminal justice system. Also provides trans awareness trainings and maintains website with trans-specific legal information including instructions on changing identity

documents.

CONTACT 212-337-8550, x1

322 8th Avenue, 3rd Floor, New York, NY 10001

www.srlp.org

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teers from the community. SRLP has trans leadership and staff.

### Urban Justice Center - Mental Health Project Clinic

Mental Health

CONTACT 646-602-5600

## **MEDICAL**

## **Bronx Community Healthcare Network**

medical, HIV

SERVICES Provides adult medicine, adolescent medicine, HIV services—including primary

care, case management, counseling and testing and support services—pediatric care services, reproductive health care, prenatal and postpartum care, immuniza-

tions, school check ups and social services. Has a trans program.

CONTACT: 718-991-9250
NOTES Has trans staff.

## Michael Callen-Audre Lorde Community Health Center (Callen-Lorde)

medical

SERVICES New York's only medical facility dedicated to meeting the health care needs of

the lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender (LGBT) communities and people liv-

ing with HIV/AIDS—regardless of any patient's ability to pay.

CONTACT 212-271-7200

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www.callen-lorde.org

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physical exams, immunizations, gynecological services, mental health counseling, HIV services and senior wellness. Trans-care is a basic component of C-L's services and includes medical and mental health services to assist with transition or after surgery. C-L can be considered a primary resource and referral for trans-

health care.

### **Medicare Rights Center**

medical, insurance

SERVICES Can answer questions about Medicare coverage and other insurance issues

CONTACT Elana

212-204-6235

### Montefiore Medical Center, Bronx

medical, HIV, AIDS, counseling

SERVICES Comprehensive medical services, HIV testing and care, and counseling for youth

ages 13-24.

CONTACT 212-423-3000

312 East 94th Street, between 1st and 2nd Avenues.

### Mount Sinai Adolescent Health Center

medical, HIV, AIDS, counseling, youth

SERVICES Confidential HIV/AIDS services, general medical care and counseling for youth

ages 10-21.

CONTACT 212-423-3000

312 East 94th Street, between 1st and 2nd Avenues.

## **Sidney Hillman Family Practice**

medical

SERVICES Provides low-cost and free healthcare and social services. Has a pharmaceutical

discount program available for hormones. Has received trans awareness training.

CONTACT Virna Little

16 East 16th Street, New York, NY 10003

212-924-7744

## PRISONS/JAILS

### **Correctional Association of New York**

prisons, jails

SERVICES Correctional Association of New York has the legislatively mandated authority to

visit New York State prisons and report on their conditions to the Legislature

and the public.

CONTACT 212-254-5700

NOTES Has received trans sensitivity training.

### **Fortune Society**

prisons, jails

SERVICES Resources for those recently released from prison.

CONTACT 212-206-7070

NOTES Has worked with trans clients. Has some trans-specific housing.

#### **Gender Work—FIERCE**

prisons, jails, youth

SERVICES Trainings on trans youth and the prison industrial complex.

CONTACT Bran Fenner

646-336-6789 bran@fierce.org

## GIC Transgender in Prison Journal

prisons

SERVICES Newsletter for transgender people in prisons throughout the United States. Write

the address below for a subscription.

CONTACT 1401 Saulsbury, Suite G9, Lakewood, CO 80214-4755

www.gicofcolo.org

## **Koob & Magooligan**

legal

SERVICES Law firm with a focus on civil rights cases, including representation of prisoners.

CONTACT 212-406-3095

19 Fulton Street, Suite 408, New York, NY 10038

## Legal Aid Society Prisoners Rights Project

legal, legal services, prisons, jails

SERVICES Provides free legal services to prisoners in New York.

CONTACT 718-260-4757

199 Water Street, 7th Floor, New York, NY 10038

### **Osborne Association**

prisons, jails

SERVICES Resources for those recently released from prison.

CONTACT 212-673-6633

NOTES Has worked with trans clients.

### Prisoners' Legal Services of New York

legal, legal services, prisons, jails

SERVICES Provides free legal services to prisoners in New York.

CONTACT 607-273-2283

Central Intake

114 Prospect Street, Ithaca, NY 14850

### Sylvia Rivera Law Project

legal, legal services, advocacy, prisons, jails

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NOTES SRLP is a collectively-run organization and welcomes new members and volun-

teers from the community. SRLP has trans leadership and staff.

## **SHELTER**

## Ali Forney Center

shelter, homeless, beds, youth, vocational, training, performing arts

SERVICES 12-bed shelter for homeless LGBT youth. Offers vocational training and per-

forming arts programming for ages 24 and under. Call to get on waiting list.

CONTACT 917-822-5011 (24-hour line)

527 W 22 Street, 1st Floor, New York, NY 10011

### Basic Center — Green Chimneys Children's Services

beds, emergency beds, LGBT, medical referrals, mental health referrals, case management, food, clothing, youth

SERVICES LGBT (4) emergency beds, medical referrals/mental health referrals, case man-

agement, food and clothing. Ages 21 and under.

CONTACT Kris Slesar

212-491-5911, ext. 12

456 West 145th Street, New York, NY 10031

### **Coalition for the Homeless**

homeless, shelter

SERVICES Organization that has provides advocacy, housing and resources for homeless

people. Best to bring someone with an advocate. Also, has a community voice

mail system.

CONTACT 212-776-2000

129 Fulton Street, 4th Floor New York, NY 10038

### Center for Urban Community Services (CUCS)

mental health, housing, shelter

SERVICES Supportive housing, transitional housing, drop-in center, employment services

for people with mental illness.

CONTACT 212-801-3300

cucsinfo@cucs.org www.sucs.org

### Green Chimneys Children's Services

Children, housing, youth, shelter

SERVICES Green Chimneys has a long history of serving trans youth. The New York City

branch of Green Chimneys operates a wide range of residential, social service and educational programs that specifically focus on the needs of Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgendered of Questioning (GLBTQ) youth and their families. These include: the Gramercy Residence—Ungar House which houses the Gramercy Life Skills Program and is home to 25 GLBT youth ages 16-21 years and the Audre Lorde School—a NYC board of Education GED Preparation Program for GLBTQ youth, ages 16-21. The uptown location also offers: Supervised Independent Living Apartment Programs (SILP), the Triangle Tribe

Apartments and Homes, and the Triangle Mentoring Program.

CONTACT Randi Anderson

212-677-7288 x208

327 East 22nd Street, New York, NY 10010

### **Picture the Homeless**

homeless, youth, runaway, open 24 hours

CONTACT 212-427-2499

170 East 116th Street #1W, New York, NY 10029

### Safe Horizons StreetWork Project Downtown Location

homeless, youth, food/clothing, counseling, medical, needle exchange, HIV, AIDS, support groups, medical referrals

SERVICES Drop-in center for street-involved and homeless youth. LGBT-friendly services

for runaway and homeless youth, including food, clothing, showers, counseling, case management, medical care, needle exchange, acupuncture, HIV support

group and referrals. Ages 14 to 24. Open Tuesday through Thursday 2P.M. to 7P.M. and Friday 12:30P.M. to 5P.M.

/ P.M. and 11

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646-602-6404 or 212-695-2220 212-577-7777 (24-hour hotline)

212-695-2317 fax

33 Essex Street (between Grand & Hester) or 545 8th Avenue, 22nd floor New York, NY 10018

www.safehorizon.org

NOTES Has trans staff.

### Safe Horizons StreetWork Project Midtown Location

homeless, youth, food/clothing, counseling, medical, needle exchange, HIV, AIDS, support groups, medical referrals.

SERVICES Drop-in center for street involved and homeless youth. LGBT-friendly services

for runaway and homeless youth, including food, clothing, showers, counseling, case management, medical care, needle exchange, HIV support group and refer-

rals.

CONTACT 212-695-2220

212-577-7777 (24-hour hotline)

545 8th Avenue, 22nd Floor, New York, NY 10018

### Sylvia's Place

CONTACT

shelter, youth

SERVICES Emergency shelter for LGBT youth ages 16 to 23.

CONTACT 718-300-0133

446 West 36th Street, New York, NY 10018

## **SUPPORT**

## Center Kids at LGBT Community Center

youth, children, parenthood, LGBT, family

SERVICES Center Kids is the Center's family program for LGBT parents and their children

and for those considering parenthood.

CONTACT Terry Boggis

212.620.7310, ext. 228 terry@gaycenter.org

#### **Food Bank**

food

SERVICES Can give locations of nearby places, open that day, that give free food to poor

people.

CONTACT 1-866-NYC-FOOD

### Gender Identity Project/CenterCARE @ the LGBT Community Center

support groups, referrals, trans, counseling, community organizing, training, AIDS, HIV, youth

SERVICES Professional and peer counseling, community events and organizing, advocacy,

support groups and referrals for everyone on the transgender spectrum. GIP offers the trans-care training curriculum for providers and organizations offering services to trans communities. Hours are Monday through Friday, 10A.M. to

6р.м.

CONTACT Carrie Davis or Ray Carranante (*Do not* call Carrie or Ray for appointments.)

212-620-7310

208 West 13th Street, New York, NY, 10011

NOTES For counseling or groups, speak to the center care screening counselor. Do not

ask for Carrie or Ray. Has trans staff.

### **Griot Circle**

elders, poc, people of color, community organizing

SERVICES GRIOT Circle is an intergenerational and culturally diverse community-based

organization dedicated to enriching the lives of older lesbian, gay, bisexual, and

transgender persons, especially elders of color.

CONTACT 30 Third Avenue, Suite 202, Brooklyn, NY 11217

www.griotcircle.org

### **Housing Works: Transgender Evening Program**

referrals, support, HIV, food, needle exchange,

SERVICES Provides direct legal help to HIV+ clients. Bi-weekly groups open to HIV &

Non-HIV participants. Plus trans-primary medical healthcare, HIV/AIDS test-

ing, syringe exchange, and mental health services.

CONTACT Ken Robinson

718-827-8700 x150

RobinsonK@housingworks.org

2640 Pitkin Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11208

NOIES The program offers services and transitional housing to trans/gender-variant

persons living with HIV/AIDS. The curriculum for the bi-weekly groups includes Advocacy, Readiness/Socialization, Health Education, and Pastoral Caregroups, plus a family-style dinner. Individuals who participate in the program are able to have their immediate and most pressing needs addressed by cul-

turally competent providers.

## Metropolitan Community Church of NY

support groups, social, 12 step

SERVICES Religious services, support groups, social activities, 12 step meetings. Free trans

dinner last Thursday of every month at 7:30 р.м.

CONTACT Rev. Pat Bumgardner or Moshay Moses

212-629-7440

212-279-1185

446 West 36th Street, New York, NY 10018

www.mccny.org

NOTES Hosts GenderPeople, a weekly trans-spirituality group that meets Sundays at

noon.

## Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays (PFLAG)

family, children, youth, parenthood, support

SERVICES Offers support to parents whose children are coming out. Trans-supportive but

may lack trans-specific knowledge base.

CONTACT Online only: Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays Transgender Network (P-

FLAG-T-NET) www.youth-guard.org/pflag-t-net/index.htm This is the site of

P-FLAG's Transgender Network, P-FLAG-T-NET.

NOTES Of particular interest here are the online versions of their booklet, *Our Trans* 

Children, available in both English and Spanish.

### **Rainbow Heights Club**

support

SERVICES Services for lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender mental health consumers.

CONTACT Maya Iwata, CSW

718-875-1420 x137 718-852-2584

rainbowheights@aol.com www.rainbowheights.org

# Transgender Awareness Project (TAP) @ Minority Task Force on AIDS (MTFA)

support, GED, name change

SERVICES Services include support groups, GED programs and name change assistance.

CONTACT Kim Watson 212-663-7772

123 West 115th Street, New York, NY 10026

## **Unity Fellowship Church of Christ**

religious

CONTACT 718-636-5646

718-399-3149 fax

230 Classon Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11205

NOTES A good resource, particularly for trans-people of color. Has trans leadership.

## **TRAININGS**

### **Freedom Trainers**

community organizing, trainings

SERVICES Freedom Trainers is a group of organizing trainers around the country specializ-

ing in organizational change and development with a focus on community

building.

CONTACT YK Hong

beyond@freedomtrainers.org

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Do not ask for Carrie or Ray. Has trans staff.

#### **Harlem United**

workshops, training, health care, advocacy

SERVICES Monthly workshops for trans people on self-advocacy, health care, etc.

CONTACT Sy'ria Jackson

212-803-2880 x873

## Imani Henry

anti-racist, anti-oppression, trans-sensitivity trainings, trainings

SERVICES Anti-racist and trans-sensitivity trainings.

CONTACT 646-342-9673

http://www.geocities.com/imani\_henry

#### Samuel Lurie

trainings

SERVICES Transgender awareness training for health care providers, medical students, and

human service providers.

CONTACT 802-453-5370

www.tgtrain.org

## **YOUTH**

### Ali Forney Center

shelter, homeless, beds, youth, vocational, training, performing arts, 24 and under, religious, church

SERVICES 12-bed shelter for homeless LGBT youth, offering vocational training and per-

forming arts programming for ages 24 and under. Call to get on waiting list.

CONTACT 917-822-5011 (24-hour line)

527 W 22 Street, 1st Floor, New York, NY 10011

#### The Door

youth, referrals, health services, health referrals, GED, legal services

SERVICES Social services for all youth, offers an LGBT youth group as well as health care

services, referrals and GED. Membership is required and orientations are at 3:30 p.m. on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday (call first for an appointment).

CONTACT 212-941-9090

55 Broome Street (between 6th Avenue and Varick Street), New York, NY

NOTES The Door has worked with numberous trans-youth especially as they have

sought GED and reading resources and seems to be trans-supportive.

#### FIERCE!

youth, training, community organizing, political education, anti-oppression trainings

SERVICES FIERCE! is a community organizing project for transgender, lesbian, gay, bisex-

ual, Two Spirit, queer, and questioning (TLGBTSQQ) youth of color in New York City. FIERCE includes the Education for Liberation Project (ELP), a paid training program which provides comprehensive community organizing, politi-

cal education, and anti-oppression trainings to our constinuency.

CONTACT Bran Fenner

646-336-6789 x107

437 West 16th Street, Lower Level, New York, NY 10011

## **HEAT program at Kings Hospital**

medical, HIV, support, youth

SERVICES Provides HIV services for youth, GYN care, case management, support groups,

trans health care. Ages 13-24.

CONTACT 718-467-4446

## Hetrick Martin Institute/Harvey Milk School

schools, youth, referrals

SERVICES A comprehensive package of direct services and referrals for youth ages 12-21.

CONTACT 212-674-2400 x269

212-674-8650 fax

2 Astor Place, 3rd Floor New York, NY 10003

www.hmi.org

NOTES HMI is the home of the Harvey Milk High School. Offers services and referrals

for LGBTQ youth between the ages of 12 and 21 and their families. HMI has

trans staff.

### Lawyers for Children

legal, legal services, legal services, youth

SERVICES Includes LGBT specific project; focus on foster care.

CONTACT Kristin Kimmel

212-966-6420

110 Lafayette Street, 8th Floor New York, NY 10013

www.lawyersforchildren.org

### **New Neutral Zone**

youth, drop-in

SERVICES Drop-in center for LGBT youth ages 15-22. Drop-in hours are Wednesday

through Saturday, 6P.M. to 10P.M.

CONTACT 646-935-1943

12 East 33rd Street, 10th Floor (between 5th and Madison), New York, NY 10016

NOTES Includes on-site individual and crisis counseling, groups, psychiatric services,

housing and shelter referrals, free legal clinic, GED study group, and HIV/STD testing services. The New Neutral Zone has often a place for trans-youth to congregate, has worked with numerous trans youth, and seems to be trans-support-

ive.

### Peter Cicchino Youth Project — Urban Justice Center

youth, advocacy, legal, foster care

SERVICES Conducts legal clinics at drop-in centers for runaways and LGBT youth, does

advocacy and impact litigation, and works with LGBT young adults who are

aging out of foster care.

CONTACT Anya Mukarji-Connolly

646-602-5636

## Sylvia's Place

shelter, youth

SERVICES Emergency shelter for LGBT youth ages 16 to 23.

CONTACT 718-300-0133

446 West 36th Street, New York, NY 10018

# **Triangle Tribe Transitional Living Program Apartment Program @ Green Chimneys Children's Services**

youth, housing, support services

SERVICES Support services for LGBT youth moving toward independent living providing

assistance with life skills (cooking, grocery shopping, laundry, money manage-

ment, job seeking and job maintenance skills).

CONTACT Teresa Nolan

212-491-5911, x19

456 West 145th Street, New York, NY 10031

## YES (Youth Enrichment Services) at LGBT Center

youth, support groups, social

SERVICES LGBT youth program for ages 13-21. YES provides programing for support,

leadership skills development and creative self expression. Intake is Fridays

3р.м.-6р.м.

CONTACT Levi Stolove

212-620-7310

208 West 13th Street (between 7th and 8th), New York, NY 10011

NOTES YES has trans staff.