



Philadelphia Transgender Resource Guide



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Welcome

Dear Community Members,

We are pleased to bring you the Philadelphia Transgender Resource Guide, a publication of Mazzoni Center's Trans* Health Program. We strive to locate transgender-friendly and affirming services for our clients and we hope that this collection of resources will be useful for you on your journeys.

We welcome feedback on this guide and hope that as you come across providers who are friendly and accessible that you will share that information with us so we can add it to this community guide. This is a dynamic document, always being amended and changed. Please also let us know if you find out of date information so that we can correct it as needed.

Looking forward to continued service to our community, we hope that you will contact us if you don't see the information that you need here. We are more than happy to speak with you about your needs and we will strive to assist you in locating services and resources that meet your needs. Similarly, if you have questions about Mazzoni's Transgender Health Program, please feel free to be in touch.

Sincerely,

Mazzoni Center Family & Community Medicine

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Local Agencies & Services

AIDS Services in Asian Communities (ASIAC)

Provides culturally sensitive and language appropriate HIV-related services to Asians and Pacific Islanders and their partners, friends, family members, and service providers in the Philadelphia area.

1711 S Broad St, Philadelphia, PA 19148

215.629.2300

www.asiac.org

Attic Youth Center

The Attic Youth Center creates opportunities for LGBTQ youth (ages 13-23) to develop into healthy, independent, civic-minded adults within a safe and supportive community. Offers free counseling and groups. Program calendar available online: <http://www.atticyouthcenter.org/calendar.html>

255 South 16th St, Philadelphia, PA 19102

215.545.4331

www.atticyouthcenter.org

Bodies Like Ours

Provides awareness, education, and peer support for individuals born with intersex conditions.

827 Spring Garden St, Easton, PA 18042

610.258.7466

www.bodieslikeours.org/forums

COLOURS,Inc.

Support and education for and within LGBT communities of color

112 North Broad St, 3d Floor, Philadelphia, PA 19102

215.496.0330

www.coloursorganization.org



Local Agencies & Services

Gay & Lesbian Latino AIDS Education Initiative (GALAEI)

Provides health and quality of life services for Philadelphia's Latin@ LGBT communities. The Midnight Cowboy Project at GALAEI seeks to provide harm reduction information to sex workers and other at-risk populations throughout Philadelphia.

1207 Chestnut St, 5th Fl, Philadelphia, PA 19107

215.851.1822

www.galaei.org

Hearts on a Wire of the Institute for Community Justice, Project of Philadelphia FIGHT

Hearts on a Wire is a Philadelphia-based trans and gender variant prisoner justice collective. We build community with incarcerated trans and gender variant (T/GV) people across Pennsylvania through networking, letter writing and art. Hours: meetings on Thursdays 4-6pm

21 S 12th St, 7th Fl, Philadelphia, PA 19107

215.525.0460

www.community-justice.org/events

Mazzoni Center

Provides comprehensive health and wellness services for youth and adults; services include primary medical care, mental health counseling, substance abuse services, HIV counseling and testing, support groups, case management, legal, health education, and outreach.

21 S. 12th St, 8th Fl, Philadelphia, PA 19107 (Main Office)

809 Locust St, Philadelphia, PA 19107 (Primary Medical Care)

215.563.0652 (main) 215.563.0658 (medical)

transcare@mazzonicenter.org

www.mazzonicenter.org

REACH (Recovery Empowerment And Community Health)

Provides peer supports around health issues specifically related to drugs and alcohol.

21 S. 12th St, 8th Fl, Philadelphia, PA 19107

215.563.0652 ext 245

jedwards@mazzonicenter.org

www.mazzonicenter.org/programs/counseling



Local Agencies & Services

TransHealth Information Project (TIP)

Designed by and for transpeople, TIP provides outreach, counseling, and groups that promote safer sex, HIV prevention, skills-building, and health education and advocacy to transgender people in and around Philadelphia.

21 S. 12th St, 10th Fl, Philadelphia, PA 19107

215.568.2221

www.facebook.com/tip.transhealth or www.tipphilly.org

William Way LGBT Community Center

The William Way Community Center seeks to encourage, support, and advocate for the well-being and acceptance of sexual and gender minorities through services, recreational, educational, and cultural programming.

1315 Spruce St, Philadelphia, PA 19107

215.732.2220

info@waygay.org

www.waygay.org



Hotlines & Helplines

AIDS Hotline

Information and referrals to local HIV/AIDS resources

1.800.342.AIDS

CHOICE

Sexual and reproductive health care hotline for Philadelphia and surrounding counties.

215.985.3300 or 1.800.848.3367 (outside Philadelphia)

215.985.3350 (Spanish)

Covenant House Hotline

National hotline for homeless and runaway youth - provides crisis counseling and referrals

1.800.999.9999

Mazzoni Center Legal Services

LGBT legal assistance

1.866.LGBT.LAW (1.866.542.8529)

Philadelphia Domestic Violence Hotline

24/7 hotline for survivors of domestic violence/intimate partner violence.

1.866.SAFE.014 (1.866.723.3014)

Philadelphia Bully Hotline

LGBTQI violence, harassment and discrimination hotline for events occurring in the school system.

215.400.SAFE (7233)

Philadelphia Lesbian & Gay Task Force

LGBTQI violence, harassment, and discrimination hotline.

215.772.2000 or toll free in PA 1.877.PRIDE.2000



Hotlines & Helplines

Project HOME - Homeless Outreach Hotline

Access to homelessness services

215.232.1984

Suicide and Crisis Hotline (Office of Mental Health)

24/7 suicide and crisis prevention hotline for Philadelphia. Can connect callers with the closest Crisis Response Center.

215.686.4420

Transgender Health Action Coalition (T-HAC)

Philadelphia's peer based trans-health advocacy organization. Runs a staffed hotline Monday, Wednesday and Thursday 6-9PM and Sunday from 3-6 PM

215.732.1207

Trevor Project

24/7 suicide and crisis prevention helpline for LGBTQ youth

1.866.4U.TREVOR (1.866.488.7386)

Uniform Access

Central intake hotline for HIV positive individuals to get more information about medical care and support, as well as to get connected with HIV medical case management.

215.985.2437 or 1.800.985.2437

Women Organized Against Rape (WOAR)

24 hour sexual assault hotline. Offers support, referrals for ongoing counseling, medical accompaniment, information about reporting sexual assault. Staff and volunteers have received training about transgender issues.

215.985.3333 or 866.723.3014



Health Primary Medical Care

Jefferson Family Medicine

Provides sensitive and compassionate primary healthcare to all LGBTQI communities. Most insurance accepted.

833 Chestnut St, Suite 301, Philadelphia, PA 19107
215.955.7190

Katherine Margo, MD

Family medicine clinician, experienced working with transgender and LGBT individuals.

University of Pennsylvania - 51 N 39th St, 7th Fl, Philadelphia, PA 19104
215.662.8777

Mazzoni Center Family and Community Medicine

LGBT family medicine and primary care practice, including a transgender health program. Accepts insurance, also sees uninsured individuals on a sliding scale fee assessment. Transgender Health team includes medical clinicians, social workers, and case managers. Hormone assessments are completed using an informed consent model.

*Adolescent Drop-In: Wednesdays from 5-7PM, for youth ages 14-24;
Community Health Nights: Third Friday of every month 6PM-8PM, for adults over 25;
Walk in medical appointments, case management, HIV counseling and testing. No insurance needed.
Free food, tokens, hygiene kits, safer sex kits.*

809 Locust St, Philadelphia, PA 19107
215.563.0658

transcare@mazzonicenter.org

www.mazzonicenter.org

Melanie (Mo) Santiago, PA-C

Experience with hormone replacement therapy and transgender primary care. Accepts many types of insurance.

5458 Ridge Ave, Philadelphia, PA 19128
215.487.1887

MO@drpedano.com



Health *Medical Specialists*

Benjamin Gocial, MD

Endocrinologist and surgeon who has worked with transmen. Also performs hysterectomies.

1015 Chestnut St, Suite 1500, Philadelphia, PA 19107

215.922.1556

rmphiladelphia.com

Michael Levin, DO

Nephrologist

Metropolitan Nephrology Associates, 4453 Castor Ave Ste B, Philadelphia, PA 19124

215.744.2266

Erin O/Malley-Tysko, MD

Cardiologist

Cardiology Consultants, 525 Jamestown St, Philadelphia, PA 19128

610.658.8689

Pelvic and Sexual Health Institute

207 N. Broad St, 4th Fl, Philadelphia, PA 19102

215.863.8100

www.pelvicandsexualhealthinstitute.org

Philadelphia Urology Associates, P.C.

1216 Arch St, Suite 3B, Philadelphia, PA 19107

215.563.1199

Pine Street Dermatology

1233 Locust St, Philadelphia, PA 19107

215.735.2636

www.pinestreetdermatology.com



Health *Medical Specialists*

Robert Wortman, OD

Optometry services

1420 Walnut, St, Suite 600, Philadelphia, PA 19102

215.735.6300



Health *Local Surgeons*

Sherman Leis, DO

Surgical and non-surgical treatments for transgender individuals. Non-surgical services include voice training, electrolysis and laser hair removal.

Philadelphia Center for Transgender Surgery, 19 Montgomery Ave, Bala Cynwyd, PA 19004

610.667.1888

drshermanleis@drshermanleis.com

www.thetransgendercenter.com

Christine McGinn, DO

Performs gender confirmation and cosmetic surgical procedures. Also offers electrolysis, hormone therapy, counseling services, voice therapy, fertility services and nutrition services.

18 Village Row, Suite 43, Logan Square, Lower York Rd, New Hope, PA 18938

215.693.1199

www.drchristinemcginn.com

Kathy Rumer, DO

Delaware Valley Aesthetics, 19 Montgomery Ave, Bala Cynwyd, PA 19004

215.808.9268

drkathyrumer@drkathyrumer.com



Health *Dentists*

Joseph T. Abate, DMD

1320 West Ritner St, Philadelphia, PA 19148

215.389.3876

joseph.abate@att.net

The Catholic Worker

1826 E. Lehigh Ave, Philadelphia, PA 19125

215.423.0222

www.catholicworker.org

Ken Cirka, DMD

1601 Walnut St, Suite 1302, Philadelphia, PA 19102

215.568.6222

info@phillydentistry.com

www.phillydentistry.com

Henry Lazarus, MDM

4603 Springfield Ave, Philadelphia, PA 19143

215.382.5126

hlazar@verizon.net

www.henrylazarus.com

University of Pennsylvania Dental Clinic

240 South 40th St, Philadelphia, PA 19104

215.898.8965

www.dental.upenn.edu/patients/index.html

Craig Wakefield, DDS

255 S 17th St, Suite 2306, Philadelphia, PA 19103

215.732.8080

www.drcaigwakefield.com



Health *Fertility Services*

Fairfax Cryobank

Sperm banking and storage, experience working with transgender individuals

3401 Market St, Suite 205, Philadelphia, PA 19104

215.386.1977

phillycryo@yahoo.com

www.fairfaxcryobank.com

MAZE Labs

Semen cryobanking facility. Cost varies by duration of banking contract.

1117 Route 46 East, Suite 301 Clifton, NJ 07013

973.472.0600

www.mazelabs.com

Reproductive Science Institute

Semen banking, see website for all locations.

945 Chesterbrook Blvd., Chesterbrook, PA 19087

610.964.9663

rsidoc@aol.com

www.rsiinfertility.com



Health Mental Health Therapists

Michele Angello, Ph.D

Interests include working with gender variant youth and adults, as well as children of transitioning parents. Offers individual, group, and family therapy. Also facilitates support groups for transgender adults, youth, and parents.

987 Old Eagle School Rd, Suite 719, Wayne, PA 19087

610.917.8561

michele@micheleangelo.com

www.micheleangelo.com

Attic Youth Center

For LGBTQQ youth (ages 13-23) to develop into healthy, independent, civic-minded adults within a safe and supportive community. Offers free counseling and groups.

255 South 16th St, Philadelphia, PA 19102

215.545.4331

www.atticyouthcenter.org

Elizabeth Byrne, MA, NCC, LPC

Experience with transgender clients and families of trans people. Does not accept insurance, uses a sliding scale fee. Provides empowering client centered therapy.

1209 Locust St, Philadelphia, PA 19107

267.235.3186

elizabethabyrne@yahoo.com

Emily R. Chernicoff, Psy.D

Specializes in providing psychological services to FTM and MTF people who are considering embarking on, or who are in transition.

One Bala Ave, Suite 216, Bala Cynwyd, PA 19004

610.915.8552

www.dremilychernicoff.com



Health *Mental Health Therapists*

Marla Cobin, Ph.D, LCSW

Clinical sexologist and social worker who works from a strengths-based and empowering approach.

100 W Evergreen Ave, Philadelphia, PA 19118

610.304.9886

www.drmarlacobin.com

Damon M. Constantinides, PhD, LSW

Psychotherapy for adults and adolescents. individual therapy and couples counseling. Specializes in working with transgender, queer, gay, lesbian, and bisexual clients. Free 30 minute first appointment.

607.592.2173

www.therapistdamon.com

Jeffrey Darcy, MSS, LCSW

Philadelphia, PA

215.703.7573

jdfarcy@alumni.brown.edu

Tina Di Santo, LCSW

Interests aside from gender identity include depression, anxiety, and addictions. Accepts some insurance.

255 South 17th Street, Suite 1601, Philadelphia, PA 19103

215.262.4270

tina.disanto1@yahoo.com

Laura Geftman, MSS, LSW

1315 Spruce St, Philadelphia, PA 19107

484.469.0554

www.LauraGeftman.com

LauraGeftman@gmail.com



Health *Mental Health Therapists*

Alison Gerig, LCSW

Experience working with transgender individuals and those who may be exploring their gender identity. Sliding scale available.

255 South 17th St, Suite 1601, Philadelphia, PA 19103

267.257.6657

www.alisongerig.com

Joe Ippolito, Psy. D, LCSW

Transman identified. Experience working with transgender, lesbian, bisexual and gay people. Most public and commercial insurance plans accepted.

245 S 16th St, Philadelphia, PA 19107

267.974.4259

joeippoloto@comcast.net

Jennifer Jones, LCSW

255 S 17th St, Suite 2902, Philadelphia, PA 19103

267.970.8334

Tonya Ladipo, LCSW

Individual and couples psychotherapy. African-American therapist specializing in serving the African-American community.

255 S. 17th St, Suite 1106, Philadelphia, PA 19103

215.645.7177

www.tonyaladipo.com

Alexis Lake, MSS, LSW

I use an eclectic style of therapy, believing that every person and their situation is unique.

717.575.3757

alaketherapy@gmail.com

www.alaketherapy.com



Health *Mental Health Therapists*

Nancy Maguire, Psy.D

Conducts individual, group, and couples therapy. Also has expertise in trauma work.

215.487.2185

www.anintegrallife.org

Open Door Counseling & Behavioral Health Program, Mazzoni Center

Individual, family, couples, group counseling. Sliding scale

21 South 12th Street, 8th Fl, Philadelphia, PA 19107

215.562.0652 (ext. 248 for intake)

www.mazzonicenter.org/programs/counseling

Maureen Osborne, Ph.D

Provides individual and family therapy, as well as a monthly MtF support group

412 E. King St, Malvern, PA 19355

610.647.8730

DocOsbo@gmail.com

Melanie Rychok, LCSW

1315 Spruce St, Philadelphia, PA 19107

267.603.3101

Melanie.therapy@gmail.com

Jessie Timmons, LSW

Specializes in working with individuals who are struggling with substance use, anxiety and/or depression. Also works with couples experiencing discord in their relationships. Sliding scale fee rate available.

1218 Chestnut St, Suite 407, Philadelphia, PA 19107

610.256.8885



Health Mental Health Therapists

Elizabeth Weisman, LSW

Has expertise in the following areas: women's issues, LGBTQ issues, recovery from trauma in childhood/adulthood, depression, anxiety, recovery from addictions, chronic and severe mental illness, and working with artists. She has a particular interest in mind-body health/awareness.

1601 Walnut St, Suite 806, Philadelphia, PA 19102

267.202.4386

Women's Therapy Center

Area of specialization include: LGBT, gender identity life transitions, stress reduction, anxiety and depression. Sees all self-identified women. Sliding scale available.

1315 Walnut St, Suite 1517, Philadelphia, PA 19107

215.567.1111

www.womenstherapycenter.org

Alison Wortman, MSW, LCSW

Experience working with individuals across the gender spectrum and at every stage of transition, offers support around gender identity exploration and acceptance. Extensive experience with hormone replacement therapy and referral services. Sliding scale offered to trans-identified clients or individuals who are focusing on gender identity exploration.

1315 Spruce St, Philadelphia, PA 19107

215.756.7035 or 215.995.1174

alisonwortman@gmail.com



Health *Psychiatrists*

Deborah Bernstein, MD

Meds only; specializes in complicated medical issues, treatment resistant or refractory diagnostic concerns, and neuropsychiatric problems.

210 W. Rittenhouse Square, Suite 210, Philadelphia, PA 19103

215.732.3485

215.790.0313

David Censits, MD

1616 Walnut St, Suite 312, Philadelphia, PA 19103

215.399.4939

Jeffrey Naser, MD

1137 Lancaster Ave, Berwyn, PA 19312

610.647.3959

www.jeffreynasermd.com



Health Support Groups

Evolutions

Meets every Thursday from 6:00PM to 7:30PM. Process support group for MTFs, FTMs and anyone else identifying on the gender spectrum. Group is free.

Mazzoni Center Open Door Counseling, 21 S 12th St, 8th Fl, Philadelphia, PA 19107
215.563.0652 ext 281

PFLAG Philadelphia

PFLAG's T-NET group focuses on transgender issues. Call for times.

PO 15711, Philadelphia, PA 19107
215.572.1833

pflagphila@yahoo.com

www.pflagphila.org

Renaissance Transgender Association, Inc

www.ren.org

Greater Philadelphia Renaissance: 987 Old Eagle School Road, Ste 719, Wayne, PA 19087

wwgpc@ren.org

Lehigh Valley Renaissance: PO Box 157, Trexlertown, PA 18087

www.lvrenaissance.org/

Renaissance of Southeastern PA

www.renaissancesep.org

Sister's United

A group by and for transwomen to come together in a relaxed, fun, and safe environment. Meets Tuesdays from 5:30 to 7:00 PM

112 N. Broad St, 11th Fl, Philadelphia PA 19102
215.496.0330

Info@coloursorganization.org



Health Support Groups

TMAN

Every other Monday (7:30 - 9:30PM). A support group for transmen of color.

1201 Locust St, 2nd Fl, Philadelphia, PA 19107

215.834.9063

www.tmanphilly.com

Transgender Health Action Coalition (T-HAC)

Philly's peer-based trans health advocacy organization. Runs a staffed hotline Saturdays (3-6PM) and Mondays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays (6-9PM). Voice mail is available all other times.

1201 Locust St, 2nd Fl, Philadelphia, PA 19107

215.732.1207

www.critpath.org/thac

Transway

A weekly drop-in social group for any trans identified person. Meets Thursdays from 7-9PM*

1315 Spruce St, Philadelphia, PA 19107

215.732.2220

www.waygay.org

TS Angels

Monthly support group for transsexual women. A brief screening process is required before participating in the group. Meets the third Saturday of each month from 6-8PM. \$50 per session

987 Old Eagle School Rd, Suite 719, Wayne, PA 19087

484.893.0985

We Transition Too

For partners of those in transition. Meets from 2-4PM the first Saturday of the month. Call to confirm before attending.

1201 Locust St, Philadelphia, PA 19107

215.732.1207



Health *Support Groups*

WeXist

Philly based trans support group that meets from 2-4PM on the 1st and 3rd Sunday of every month.*

1315 Spruce St, Philadelphia, PA 19107

215.732.2220

Young, Trans & Unified

Meets Thursdays from 7:15 - 8:30PM. Open to transgender, gender non-conforming, and gender questioning youth ages 13-23

255 South 16th St, Philadelphia, PA 19102

215.545-4331

www.atticyouthcenter.org



Wellness Alternative Therapies & Gyms

Kimberly Fleischer, RMT

Professional reiki sessions, discounts for students. Also offers classes.

The Reiki School and Clinic, 525 S 4th St, Suite 248, Philadelphia, PA 19147

215.238.0659

reiki@thereikischool.com

www.thereikischool.com

Molly Kellogg, RD, LCSW

Nutrition services by a registered dietician and licensed nutritionist.

100 East Sedgewick St, Philadelphia, PA 19119

215.843.8258

molly@mollykellogg.com

www.mollykellogg.com

Philadelphia Community Acupuncture

Provides acupuncture in a comfortable group setting. Sliding scale rates from \$15 - \$35. Online scheduling available.

West Philadelphia: 701 S. 50th St, Philadelphia, PA 19143

215.729.2995

Mt. Airy: 538 Carpenter Lane, Philadelphia, PA 19119

215.844.2774

www.phillyacupuncture.com

12th St Gym

Trans-friendly locker room policies. Gym serves the LGBTQ community in Philadelphia. Check website or call for hours and membership rates.

204 S 12th St, Philadelphia, PA 19107

215.985.4092

www.12streetgym.com



Wellness *Hair Removal*

Department of Dermatology at UPenn

Laser hair removal services. Very supportive of the trans and intersex communities

3400 Civic Center Blvd, Suite 1-330S, Philadelphia, PA 19104

1.800.789.PENN (7366)

www.pennhealth.com/dermatology/hup/services.html

Mazzoni Center Family and Community Medicine

Laser hair removal procedures performed by medical personnel. Discount packages available.

809 Locust St, Philadelphia, PA 19107

215.563.0652

www.mazzonicenter.org

Savarese Salon

Family owned business, long history of working with transgender individuals. Provides electrolysis services.

1315 Walnut St, Suite 717, Philadelphia, PA 19107

215.735.8144

Hair removal also offered through:

Dr. Christine McGinn

Dr. Sherman Leis

** see their contact information under Surgeons*



Wellness *Voice Therapy*

Penn Center for Voice at Pennsylvania Hospital

Treatment includes voice therapy and phonosurgery, including thyroplasty.

1.800.789.7399

www.penmedicine.org/ent/services/voice/about.html

Temple Speech-Language-Hearing Center

Clients of all ages with any type of voice disorder are seen in this clinic for evaluation and treatment.

110 Weiss Hall, 13th and Cecil B. Moore Ave, Philadelphia, PA 19122

215.204.7543

http://www.temple.edu/chpsw/departments/commsci/CSD_TUSLHC.htm

Voice therapy services also offered through:

Dr. Christine McGinn

Dr. Sherman Leis

** see their contact information under Surgeons*



Community Resources

Housing

Shelter

At this time, homeless services are heavily gender segregated. Philadelphia does, however, have the Fair Practices Ordinance, which mandates that individuals accessing shelter services have the right to be housed in a facility with the gender that they identify as. Ultimately, you are your own best advocate in this process and the providers listed below can help you navigate the system. We have included the following agencies, which have demonstrated LGBTQ competence:

24-Hour Homeless Outreach Hotline:

215.232.1984

877.222.1984

Project H.O.M.E

Office hours: Monday - Friday 8AM-4PM

1515 Fairmont Ave, Philadelphia, PA 19130

215.232.7272

Office of Supportive Housing (OSH)

1430 Cherry St, Philadelphia, PA 19107

215.686.7150

Our Brother's Place (A program of Bethesda Project)

Services to men, however many transwomen have reported that this facility is safe and that they have received good services through this program.

907 Hamilton St, Philadelphia, PA 19123

215.236.7020



Community Resources *Housing*

Showers/Address/Clothing

Youth Health Empowerment Project (Y-HEP)

Y-HEP services young people ages 13-24 years old. Individuals can shower in a single use bathroom and do laundry on-site.

112 N. Broad St, 9th Fl, Philadelphia, PA 19101

215.564.6388

Philadelphia Committee to End Homelessness

Commonly referred to as "802," this site offers showers, change of clothing, telephone access and individuals can register to use this as their mailing address. Telephone, peer counseling, and mailing address services are open between the hours of 7AM-2:30PM Monday through Friday. Shower and clothing services are restricted only to male identified individuals between the hours of 6:30AM-9:30AM Monday-Friday.

802 N. Broad St, Philadelphia, PA 19130

215.232.2300



Community Resources *Legal & Advocacy*

Kristine Holt, Esq

Areas of practice include: family law, name change, personal bankruptcy, civil rights, discrimination, and employment law.

1211 Vine St, Ste 107, Philadelphia, PA 19107

339 Rte 73 North, Ste 11A, Berlin, NJ 08009

215.545.7789 (PA) or 856.599.5555 (NJ)

www.holtesq.com

Jerner & Palmer, P.C.

Expertise includes name change, family law, and reproductive technology law.

5401 Wissahickon Ave, Philadelphia, PA 19144

215.843.6000

www.jplaw.com

Mazzoni Center Legal Services

Legal assistance for PA's LGBT community. Some areas of practice include: name change, hate crimes, family rights, and workplace rights.

21 S. 12th St, 12th Fl, Philadelphia, PA 19107

215.563.0657 or 1.866.LGBT.LAW

legalservices@mazzonicenter.org

www.mazzonicenter.org/programs/legal-services

William Singer, Esq

2230 Route 206, Belle Mead, NJ 08502

908.359.7873

Wsinger@singerfedun.com

www.singerfedun.com/Bill_Singer.htm



Community Resources

Faith & Spirituality

Central Baptist Church

Welcoming and affirming congregation in American Baptist tradition. Rainbow Alliance mission group that explores gender diversity within a theological and biblical framework. LGBT affirming and inclusive.

106 West Lancaster Ave, Wayne, PA 19087

610.688.0664

www.cbcwayne.org

Congregation Beth Ahavah

Affiliated with the Union for Reform Judaism. Serves greater Philadelphia and Delaware Valley's LGBT Jewish community. Welcoming to those of all sexual orientation and gender identities.

615 N. Broad St., Philadelphia, PA 19123

215.923.2003

www.bethahavah.org

Dignity Philadelphia

A caring, supportive community of LGBT Catholic, along with family, friends, and allies. Liturgy each Sunday at 7PM.

330 S. 13th St, Philadelphia, PA 19107

215.546.2093

DignityPhila@aol.com

www.dignityphila.org

First Unitarian Church

An intentionally diverse UU congregation, welcoming and affirming.

2125 Chestnut St, Philadelphia, PA 19103

215.563.3980

www.philauu.org



Community Resources *Faith & Spirituality*

Metropolitan Community Church of Philadelphia

LGBT inclusive congregation that seeks to help congregants nurture love in themselves, grow spiritually in Christ, and engage in sharing hope with LGBT communities and beyond. Service at 1PM.

3637 Chestnut St, Philadelphia, PA 19104

215.294.2020

www.mccphiladelphia.com

Mishkan Shalom

Mishkan Shalom is a spiritual, progressive, and inclusive Reconstructionist Synagogue located in Philadelphia.

4101 Freeland Ave, Philadelphia, PA 19128

215.508.0226

www.mishkan.org

Tabernacle United Church

A More Light and Open and Affirming Congregation that encourages the full participation of LGBT people in the body of Christ. Worship is Sundays at 10AM

3700 Chestnut St, Philadelphia, PA 19104

215.386.4100

www.tabunited.org

For additional listings of local LGB and trans-affirming religious and spiritual communities, please see the UPenn LGBT resources Center's listing at:

www.vpul.upenn.edu/lgbtc/religion.php



Community Resources Bookstores & Libraries

Giovanni's Room

Local LGBT bookstore. Staff is knowledgeable about transgender issues and the store has gender neutral bathrooms. Books not found in-store can be ordered.

345 S. 12th St, Philadelphia, PA 19107

215.923.2960

www.gioannisroom.com

Joseph Fox Bookshop

Local independent bookstore. Can search trans related titles online

1724 Sansom St, Philadelphia, PA 19103

215.563.4184

www.foxbookshop.com

LGBT Archives @ William Way

Usage is by appointment only and they prefer that you email, rather than phoning to leave a message.

1315 Spruce St, Philadelphia, PA 19107

215.732.2220

archives@waygay.org

LGBT Center Library @ UPenn

The Center maintains a large collection of books, videos, DVDs, and periodicals written for and about sexual and gender minorities. You do not have to be a student to use this resource. Call to confirm hours.

3907 Spruce St, Philadelphia, PA 19104

215.898.5044

www.vpul.upenn.edu/lgbtc/library

Wooden Shoe Books

Anarchist and radical literature. Can special order books if requested.

704 South St, Philadelphia, PA 19147

215.413.0999

www.woodenshoebooks.org



Community Resources *Clothing & Accessories*

American Eagle Outfitters

Large mens x-small selection online

www.ae.com

Buffalo Exchange

Second-hand and vintage clothes, shoes, hats, bags, jewelry. Gender neutral fitting rooms.

1713 Chestnut St, Philadelphia, PA 19103

215.557.9850

www.buffaloexchange.com

Classic Plus Size Jewelry

Online store that specializes in larger-sized fine jewelry. Call for information, help with sizes or selection.

215.547.9300

www.classicplussizejewelry.com

Greene Street Consignment

Second-hand and vintage clothes, shoes, hats, bags, jewelry. Gender neutral fitting rooms.

700 South St, Philadelphia, PA 19147

215.733.9261

www.greenestreetconsignment.com

H&M

1725 Walnut St, Philadelphia, PA

215.563.2221

www.hm.com

J. Crew

Large mens x-small selection online

www.jcrew.com



Community Resources *Clothing & Accessories*

M.A.C. Cosmetics

Can make an appointment for a private consultation/application session.

1427 Walnut St, Philadelphia PA

215.568.2282

Old Navy

Non-gendered fitting rooms. Clothes in many sizes.

1851 S Columbus Blvd, Philadelphia, PA or 1001 Market St, Philadelphia PA

215.465.8363 or 215.413.7012

www.oldnavy.com

Passional Boutique

Selection of corsets, costumes, kilts and fashions sizes XS-8XL. Online selection of prosthetics.

704 S. 5th St, Philadelphia, PA 19147

215.829.4986

www.passionalboutique.com

Topman

478 Broadway New York, NY 10013

212.966.9555

us.topman.com



Community Resources

Chest Binders

Big Brother Binder Program

Low cost new or gently used binders to low income, homeless, and/or struggling transmen/FTMs/intersex men. Also accepts donations of binders if you no longer need yours.

www.thetransitionalmale.com/BBUB

Les Love Boat

Online store with new binders.

www.lesloveboat.com

T-Kingdom

Offering chest binders to the tomboy and FTM community since 1999. Many models and sizes available.

www.t-kingdom.com

Underworks

Popular company through which to order binders for FTMs.

www.underworks.com/ftm



Community Resources

Body Modification

Body Graphics

Shares many artists with No Ka Oi Tiki Tattoo

627 S. 4th St, Philadelphia, PA 19147

215.923.5834

www.bodygraphics.com

Infinite Body Piercing

Trans-friendly and experienced. Can drop in for a consult, jewelry or piercing, Visit website or call for policies, questions, prices, or hours.

626 S 4th St, Philadelphia, PA 19147

215.923.7335

www.infinitebody.com

No Ka Oi Tiki Tattoo & Piercing

Trans-friendly and experienced.

610 S 4th St, Philadelphia, PA 19147

267.925.1766

www.nokaoitikitattoo.com

Moo Tattoo

513 South St, Philadelphia, PA 19147

215.521.1490

www.mootattoo.com



Youth Resources

Hotlines:

CHOICE Hotline

CHOICE counselors provide education, counseling, and referrals about sexual and reproduction health issues. Monday-Thursday 8:30AM - 7:30PM, Friday 8:30AM - 5PM, Saturday 9AM - 1PM

215.985.3300 or 800.848.3367

215.985.3350 (Spanish)

Covenant House 24 hour Homeless & Runaway Adolescent Crisis Line (Nine Line)

24 hour, toll free, crisis hotline which provided crisis intervention, referral and information services to adolescents ages 18-22 years.

1.800.999.9999 (English)

1.800.999.9915 (Spanish)

Runaway Youth Hotline

24 hour, toll free, crisis hotline which provided crisis intervention, referral and information services

1.800.371.7233

Homeless Resources:

Achieving Independence Center (AIC)

One stop shopping services for youth ages 16-21 years old. AIC offers education, job training, employment and housing referrals and job skills training.

1118 Market St, 2nd Fl, Philadelphia, PA 19107

215.574.9194

Covenant House

Offers emergency shelter, outreach, education, and vocation assistance, as well as transitional living to runaway and homeless youth ages 18-22 years old.

Crisis Center/Shelter: 31 East Armat St, Philadelphia, PA 19144

215.951.5411



Youth Resources

Valley Youth House: Pride Program

Must be 18-20 years old, homeless or near homeless and identify as LGBTQ.

215.925-3180

referral@vyh.org

Our Brother's Place

907 Hamilton St, Philadelphia, PA

215.978.2892

Youth Emergency Services (YES)

Emergency shelter for homeless and runaway youth ages 12-17.

1526 Fairmount Ave, Philadelphia, PA 19130

215.787.0633

Bethesda Project Cafes

Open from 10PM-6AM during the winter months. First come, first served. Cafes are an overnight sanctuary and individuals can speak with staff for other housing and social service referrals. Call for winter locations.

215.985.1600

info@bethesdaproject.org



Youth Resources

Youth Serving Agencies & Services

Attic Youth Center

The Attic Youth Center creates opportunities for LGBTQQ youth (ages 13-23) to develop into healthy, independent, civic-minded adults within a safe and supportive community. All services are free.

255 South 16th St, Philadelphia, PA 19102

215.525.4331

www.atticyouthcenter.org

Camden Area Health Education Center (AHEC)

Serves youth in the Camden, NJ area by offering medical, education, and prevention services. Youth life skills programs are also offered that include exercise and diet, self-esteem and creative thinking programming for youth ages 9-18 years old.

514 Cooper St, Camden, NJ 08102

856.963.2432

www.camden-ahec.org

COLOURS, Inc.

Provides progressive educational advocacy and support services for LGBT people of color in the greater Philadelphia area.

112 North Broad St, 3 Fl, Philadelphia, PA 19102

215.496.0330

www.coloursorganization.org

HiTops, Inc

Health center in NJ offering health care, programs, support groups, educational workshops and more. For youth ages 13-26

21 Wiggins St, Princeton, NJ 08540

609.683.5155

www.hitops.org



Youth Resources

Juvenile Law Center

Legal issues for youth.

1315 Walnut St, 4th Fl, Philadelphia, PA 19107

215.625.0551 or toll-free 1.800.875.8887

www.jlc.org

Mainline Youth Alliance (MYA)

Mainline Youth Alliance provides LGBTQQ youth ages 15-23 with social, educational, and supportive activities in a confidential, respectful and safe environment.

106 W. Lancaster Ave, Wayne, PA 19087

info@myaonline.org

www.myaonline.org

Mazzoni Center Family & Community Medicine

Youth social workers offer case management, resources, and referrals. Also offers adolescent specific drop in hours for doctor's visits. Mental health services, education and vocation referrals also available.

809 Locust St, Philadelphia 19107

215.563.0658

www.mazzonicenter.org

Project STARR

Strengthening Trans Adolescents in Risk Reduction is a multi session peer-led workshop for young trans women and or questioning MTF spectrum people under the age of 25. STARR includes activities that dress body image, identity, stigma, decision making, and safe transition practices such as negotiating safer sex and hormone use.

21 S. 12th Street, 10 Fl, Philadelphia, PA 19107

215.568.2221

www.tipphilly.org



Youth Resources

Rainbow Room

Bucks County LGBTQA Youth Center (14-21). Addresses health and social issues for LGBTQA youth in a positive, empowering and interactive environment. Laundry, showers and computer lab available on site.

610 Louis Dr, Warminster, PA 18974

215.957.7981 X 9065

www.plannedparenthood.org/ppbucks/rainbow-room-28411.htm

Youth Health Empowerment Project (YHEP)

Offers free workshops, food, clothes, tokens and much more. YHEP provides outreach, drop-in, HIV prevention, and counseling services.

112 N. Broad St, 9th Fl, Philadelphia, PA 19101

215.564.6388

www.y-hep.org



Parent Resources

Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays, Transgender Network (PFLAG TNET)

Resources for how to navigate and support your child during the coming out process. Information on local events and supports. Links to trans-supportive organizations. Online brochures and reading materials.

National: www.community.pflag.org/Page.aspx?pid=380

Bucks, Lehigh, Northampton, Monroe and Berks: www.epapflag.org

Philadelphia: www.pflagphila.org

Philadelphia Family Pride

Resource page for trans youth and their family and friends. Offers advocacy, education and family centered events for parents and their children.

215.600.2864

www.phillyfamilypride.org

Philadelphia Trans-Health Conference

Free annual conference with many workshops for trans youth, teens, young adults and parents.

www.trans-health.org

Trans Youth Family Allies (TYFA)

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.

www.imatyfa.org

Transyouth.com (Gender Spectrum)

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

www.genderspectrum.org



Parent Resources

Camp Aranu'tiq

Provide transgender and gender-variant youth with a safe, fun, and unique camp experience during which they are able to express gender however they are comfortable and connect with others in similar situations. For youth ages 8-15.

617.467.5830

www.camparanutiq.org/

Mountain Meadow

Summer camp for youth ages 9-17 years old who come from lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender or queer families.

1315 Spruce St, Suite 411, Philadelphia, PA 19107

215.772.1107

www.mountainmeadow.org/

Gender Rainbow Playgroup

For families with child ages 4-12 in Southeast Michigan.

genderplaygroup@gmail.com



Recommended Resources

Online Resources

TransFamily: support group for transgendered and transsexual people, their parents, partners, children, other family members, friends, and supportive others.

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

Safe schools Coalition: Why Don't You Tell Them I'm a Boy?

<http://www.safeschoolscoalition.org/whydonyoutellthem.pdf>

Trans Youth Resources and Advocacy

<http://www.genderadvocates.org/Tyra/TYRAYouth.html>

TransYouth 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.

<http://imatyfa.org/>

Trans Youth Resources and Advocacy Support Group: This group is a support and referral source for parents, grandparents and guardians negotiating the journey of raising gender variant and transgender children and youth ages 3-18.

http://health.groups.yahoo.com/group/TYFA_TALK/

FTMInternational: Serving the Female to Male community

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

International Foundation for Gender Education: online resource directory and bookstore.

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

Two Lives Publishing: books for LGBT families, friends, communities and schools.

<http://twolives.com>

Sylvia Rivera Law Project: works to guarantee that all people are free to self-determine their gender identity and expression, regardless of income or race, and without facing harassment, discrimination, or violence.

www.srlp.org

Lambda Legal's Bending the Mold: An Action Kit for Transgender Students: This kit is designed to help make schools a safer place. Includes ideas and information to advocate for change, as well as an extensive list of resources.

www.lambdalegal.org/publications/bending-the-mold/order-bending-the-mold.html



Recommended Resources

Recommended Reading (by topic)

Female-to-Male

- Cameron, Loren. *Body Alchemy: Transsexual Portraits*
- Green, Jamison. *Becoming a Visible Man*
- Kailey, Matt. *Just Add Hormones*
- Kirk, Sheila, M.D. *Masculinizing Hormonal Therapy for the Transgendered*
- Tremanin, Rose. *Sacred Country (Novel)*

Gender Queer

- Doctor, Richard F. *Transvestites and Transsexuals: Toward a Theory of Cross-Gender Behavior*
- Feinberg, Leslie. *Stone Butch Blues*
- Nestle, Joan; Howell, Clare; Wilchins, Riki; ed. *GenderQueer*

General

- Amato, Toni, and Mary Davies (Editors). *Pinned down by Pronouns*
- Ashton-Jones, Evelyn, and Gary A. Olson. *The Gender Reader*
- Bornsteins, Kate. *Hello, Cruel World: 101 Alternatives to Suicide for Teens, Freaks, & Other Outlaws*
- Brown, Mildred L; Rounsley, Chloe Ann. *True Selves*
- Colapinto, John. *As Nature Made Him: The Boy Who Was Raised as a Girl*
- Devor, Holly. *Gender Blending: Confronting the Limits of Duality*
- Feinberg, Leslie. *Trans Liberation*
- Feinberg, Leslie. *Transgender Warriors*
- Lorber, Judith. *Paradoxes of Gender*
- Moir, Anne, Ph.D. and David Jessel. *Brain Sex: The Real Difference Between Men & Women*
- Nataf, Zachary I. *Lesbians Talk TransGender*
- Queen, Carol; Schimel, Lawrence; ed. *PoMoSexuals: Challenging Assumptions about Gender and Sexuality*
- Stringer, JoAnn Altman; Roberts, JoAnn, PhD. *The Transsexual's Survival Guide to Transition and Beyond: Volume 2 for Family, Friends, and Employers*
- Stringer, JoAnn Altman. *The Transsexual's Survival Guide to Transition and Beyond*
- Stuart, Kim Elizabeth. *The Uninvited Dilemma: A Question of Gender*

Intersex

- Eugenides, Jeffrey. *Middlesex (Novel)*



Recommended Resources

Male-to-Female

- Bohjalian, Chris. *Trans-Sister Radio (Novel)*
- Bornstein, Kate. *Gender Outlaw*
- Bornstein, Kate. *My Gender Workbook*
- Boylan, Jennifer Finney. *She's Not There*
- Kates, Gary. *Monsieur d'Eon is a Woman (Novel)*
- Nettick, Geri, with Beth Elliot. *Mirrors: Portrait of a Lesbian Transsexual*

Parents of Transgender Children

- Baruch, Dorothy W. *One Little Boy: An Extraordinary Book That Explores the Mind of a Troubled Child*
- Boenke, Mary. *Trans Forming Families: Real Stories About Transgendered Loved Ones*
- Brill, Stephanie, and Rachel Pepper. *The Transgender Child: A Handbook for Families and Professionals*

Politics

- Califia, Pat. *Sex Changes: The Politics of Transgenderism* (1st Edition)
- Califia, Patrick. *Sex Changes: Transgender Politics* (2nd Edition)
- Currah, Paisley, Richard M. Juang, Shannon Price Minter (Editors). *Transgender Rights*
- Fausto-Sterling, Anne. *Sexing the Body: Gender Politics and the Construction of Sexuality*

Spirituality

- Williams, Walter L. *The Spirit and the Flesh: Sexual Diversity in American Indian Culture*

Transgender Parents

- Howey, Noelle. *Dress Codes*
- Johnson, Chris, and Cathy Brown, with Wendy Nelson. *The Gender Trap*



National Transgender Conferences

Conference	Location	Conference Date
First Event	Boston, MA	January
Creating Change	Location changes	February
Colorado Gold Rush	Denver, CO	February
Keystone Conference	Harrisburg, PA	March
Transgender Lives	Farmington, CT	April
The Empire Conference	Albany, NY	April
Transgender Leadership Summit	CA	May
Minnesota Trans Health & Wellness Conference	Minneapolis, MN	May
Esprit	Port Angeles, WA	May
Philadelphia Trans-Health Conference	Philadelphia, PA	June
Be-All	Chicago, IL	June
Sparkle	Manchester, UK	July
TransOhio Conference	Columbus, OH	August
Gender Odyssey	Seattle, WA	August
WPATH Biennial Symposium	Location changes	September
Southern Comfort Conference	Atlanta, GA	September
Out and Equal	Location changes	October
Fantasia Fair	Provincetown, MA	October
Translating Identities Conference	Burlington, VT	October
Erie Gala	Erie, PA	November
Transcending Boundaries	Springfield, MA	November