

## LGBTQ

- DC Center for the LGBT Community
  - The Center was established and designed to support the GLBT communities within the DC/Metro areas. They develop programming to benefit the Metropolitan Washington GLBT community that involve advocacy, support programs, and community coherency. In addition, they host a variety of offices for other DC GLBT organizations. The center works closely with these organizations for political advocacy.
  - Website: [www.thedccenter.org](http://www.thedccenter.org)
  - Contact: [supportdesk@thedccenter.org](mailto:supportdesk@thedccenter.org)
- CASA RUBY
  - CASA RUBY is a multicultural center and safe space serving the Latino LGBT communities of any race, color, or economic background in Washington, DC, MD, and VA. Our mission is to create success stories, particularly among Latino/a LGBT communities through advocacy, employment, housing assistance, HIV testing, counseling, and other social services.
  - Website: [www.casaruby.org](http://www.casaruby.org)
- Gay and Lesbian Victory Fund and Leadership Institute
  - Since 1991, Victory has successfully helped elect hundreds of openly LGBT candidates to Congress, state legislatures, school boards, city councils and more. Through world-class programs and nonpartisan training, they also provide these new leaders with the skills and contacts they need to make the most of their influence and access.
  - Website: [www.victoryfund.org](http://www.victoryfund.org)
- Gay Lesbian Straight Education Network (GLSEN)
  - The GLSEN was founded in 1990, and currently has more than 70 chapters nationwide. The Gay, Lesbian and Straight Education Network (GLSEN) is the largest national organization that brings together gay, lesbian, straight, bisexual, transgender and questioning teachers, parents, students, and concerned citizens from all walks of life, in order to end the destructive effects of anti-gay bias in schools across the country.
  - Website: [www.glsen.org](http://www.glsen.org)
  - Contact: [info@glsen.org](mailto:info@glsen.org)
- Human Rights Campaign
  - The Human Rights Campaign provides a national voice on gay and lesbian issues. The Human Rights Campaign lobbies Congress; mobilizes grassroots action in diverse communities; invests strategically to elect a fair-minded Congress; and increases public understanding through innovative education and communication strategies. HRC is a bipartisan organization that works to advance equality based on sexual orientation and gender expression and identity, to ensure that gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender Americans can be open, honest and safe at home, at work and in the community.
  - Website: [www.hrc.org](http://www.hrc.org)
  - Contact: [hrc@hrc.org](mailto:hrc@hrc.org)
- Latino GLBT History Project
  - The Latino GLBT History Project (LHP) responds to the critical need of preserving and educating people about the history of the Latino LGBTQ community in Washington, DC. To accomplish our mission, it develops cultural events throughout the year, such as DC Latino Pride and Hispanic LGBTQ Heritage Month reception.
  - Website: [www.latinoglbthistory.org](http://www.latinoglbthistory.org)
- Log Cabin Republicans

- Log Cabin Republicans stand on the front lines of today's most important battleground for gay and lesbian civil rights. They are the nation's leading voice for fairness, inclusion, and tolerance in the GOP. The party stands at a crossroads. Log Cabin works tirelessly to make sure the Republican Party chooses the right path.
  - Website: [www.logcabin.org](http://www.logcabin.org)
  - Contact: [info@logcabin.org](mailto:info@logcabin.org)
- National Black Justice Coalition
  - The National Black Justice Coalition is a civil rights organization of Black lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender people and our allies dedicated to fostering equality by fighting racism and homophobia. The Coalition advocates for social justice by educating and mobilizing opinion leaders, including elected officials, clergy, and media, with a focus on Black communities.
  - Website: [www.nbjc.org](http://www.nbjc.org)
  - Get involved: <http://www.nbjc.org/get-involved>
- National Center for Transgender Equality
  - NCTE is a national social justice organization devoted to ending discrimination and violence against transgender people through education and advocacy on national issues of importance to transgender communities.
  - Website: [www.transequality.org](http://www.transequality.org)
  - Take action: <http://www.transequality.org/actions>
- National Gay & Lesbian Chamber of Commerce
  - The NGLCC is the business advocate and direct link between lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender (LGBT) business owners, corporations, and government, representing the interests of more than 1.4 million LGBT businesses and entrepreneurs. The NGLCC is committed to forming a broad-based coalition of LGBT owned and friendly businesses, professionals, and major corporations for the purpose of promoting economic growth and the prosperity of our members.
  - Website: [www.nglcc.org](http://www.nglcc.org)
  - Contact: [info@nglcc.org](mailto:info@nglcc.org)
- National Gay and Lesbian Task Force
  - NGLTF has worked to eliminate prejudice, violence and injustice against gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender people at the local, state and national level since its inception in 1973. The Task Force creates a world that respects and celebrates the diversity of human expression and identity where all people may fully participate in society.
  - Website: [www.thetaskforce.org](http://www.thetaskforce.org)
  - Take action: <http://www.thetaskforce.org/current-task-force-actions.html>
- Out for Work
  - Out for Work functions as a complimentary component in the total educational experience of LGBT students, primarily in the development, evaluation, initiation, and implementation of career plans and opportunities. OFW's programs, resources, and services provide assistance to students in the cultivation and enhancement of skills to explore career options, master job search techniques and strategies, and research employment opportunities.
  - Website: [www.outforwork.org](http://www.outforwork.org)
  - Contact: [info@outforwork.com](mailto:info@outforwork.com)
- Parents, Families, and Friends of Lesbians and Gays
  - Metro DC Parents, Families, and Friends of Lesbians and Gays promotes the equality and well-being of gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgendered persons, their families and friends through, support to cope with an adverse society, education to enlighten an ill-informed

public, and advocacy to end discrimination and secure equal civil rights. PFLAG provides opportunity for dialogue about sexual orientation, and acts to create a society that is healthy and respectful of human diversity. Keeping families together is the mission of PFLAG. Their family values stress education, understanding, acceptance, and support, but most of all love, thereby empowering their children, straight and gay to lead happy and productive lives.

- Website: [www.pflagdc.org](http://www.pflagdc.org)
- Contact: (202) 638-3852
- Pride at Work
  - National Pride At Work is affiliated as the newest constituency group of the AFL-CIO (American Federation of Labor & Congress of Industrial Organizations). The purpose of Pride at Work is to mobilize mutual support between the organized Labor Movement and the LGBT Community around organizing for social and economic justice. They see full equality for LGBT Workers in their workplaces and unions. They work towards creating a Labor Movement that cherishes diversity, encourages openness, and ensures safety & dignity. They aim to educate the LGBT Community about the benefits of union membership for LGBT working people, and to build support and solidarity for the union movement in the LGBT community.
  - Website: [www.prideatwork.org](http://www.prideatwork.org)
  - Contact: [info@prideatwork.org](mailto:info@prideatwork.org)
- Sexual Minority Youth Assistance League (SMYAL)
  - The Sexual Minority Youth Assistance League (SMYAL) is the only youth service agency solely dedicated to meeting the needs of youth ages 13-21 in the metropolitan Washington, DC area who are lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and intersex, as well as those questioning their sexual orientation or gender identity. Our mission is to support and enhance the self-esteem of sexual minority youth and increase public awareness and understanding of their issues. Founded in 1984, SMYAL is a 501(c) (3) nonprofit organization that provides direct services to youth, develops and utilizes youth leadership skills and provides training and education to the community at large.
  - Website: [www.smyal.org](http://www.smyal.org)
  - Contact: [info@smyal.org](mailto:info@smyal.org)
- Mautner Project of Whitman-Walker Health
  - Mautner Project improves the health of lesbians, bisexual and transgender women who partner with women (WPW) and their families by providing direct services, offering support to individuals with cancer and other life-threatening illnesses, as well as health & wellness groups, including: smoking cessation, nutrition, etc.; educating lesbian, bisexual and transgender individuals about important health issues; educating health-care providers about the needs and concerns of their lesbian, bisexual and transgender clients; working in coalition with other health organizations on lesbian, bisexual and transgender health; conducting primary research about lesbian, bisexual and transgender individuals health; promoting lesbian, bisexual and transgender health advocacy and activism at the national, state and local levels; advocating for public & private sector research on lesbian health.
  - Website: [www.mautnerproject.org](http://www.mautnerproject.org)
  - Contact: [jbrooks@whitman-walker.org](mailto:jbrooks@whitman-walker.org)