

# New Jersey LGBTQAI Resource Guide

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\* = Youth Services

## **Atlantic County:**

### **HIV/AIDS Info:**

#### **Oasis**

2nd Level

32 S. Tennessee Ave.

Atlantic City, NJ 08401

609-572-1929

2nd Level coordinator: Travis Love

travisl@sjaids.org

Mpowerment consist of MSM individuals from the age of 18 and up. The group has core members that meet once a week to discuss events and outreaches that they would like to happen in the community. To become a core member you would have to fill out an intake and be a constant member of the weekly meetings. With the group we also have MGroups. MGroups happen at least once every other month and they are groups where basic HIV 101 knowledge is discussed. Mpowerment's main focus is prevention while providing a safe place for our MSM population.

The core group's name is 2nd Level.

The following is the mission statement:

2nd Level is a movement. We are building and empowering the GLBTQ community. We are peer designed, creating social opportunities, diffusing safer sex messages, facilitating personal and community development.

## **Bergen County:**

### **Counseling:**

\***Janet Browner, MSW, LCSW**

Psychotherapist

Westwood

201-906-8, NJ849

[www.janetbrowner.com](http://www.janetbrowner.com)

### **Organizations:**

#### **Bergen Family Center**

10 Banta Place 2<sup>nd</sup> floor Hackensack

Phone: 201-342-9200

Bergenfamilycenter.org

Bergen Family Center supports, strengthens and enriches family life through innovative programs and quality services.

### **HIV/AIDS Info:**

#### **NAMES PROJECT FOUNDATION - NORTHERN NEW JERSEY CHAPTER**

Post Office Box 85

Paramus, NJ 07653-0085

Voice Mail: 201-265-0600

Email: info@namesnj.org

http://www.namesnj.org/

We are a volunteer run organization and work to share sections of the AIDS Quilt with organizations in and around NJ.

### **Religious Organization:**

#### **Episcopal:**

#### **St. Andrew's Episcopal Church**

31 Lynn St & LaRoche Ave.

Harrington Park, NJ 07640

(201) 768-0819

standrewhp@gmail.com

www.standresharringtonpark.org

To everyone, a welcome in God's love  
For everyone, joy and fellowship in  
the Spirit's peace

With everyone, a chance to serve the  
world in Christ's name

**Presbyterian:**

**The Presbyterian Church in Leonia**

181 Fort Lee Road, Box 448

Leonia, New Jersey 07605

201-944-1358

<http://www.presbyleonia.org>

**Domestic Violence:**

**Bergen County Department of**

**Human Services**

**Alternatives to Domestic Violence**

<http://www.co.bergen.nj.us/?nid=428>

One Bergen County Plaza, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor

Hackensack, NJ 07601

(201) 336-7575

**Burlington County:**

**Counseling:**

**Michael Nalbone, LCSW**

410 Farnsworth Ave.

Bordentown, NJ 08505

(609) 649-9161

[mnalbone@cs.wm.edu](mailto:mnalbone@cs.wm.edu)

Website: [www.michaelnalbone.com](http://www.michaelnalbone.com)

**Religious Organizations:**

**Baptist:**

**First Baptist Church**

19 West Main Street

Moorestown, NJ 08057

(856-235-1180) Fax: (856-778-5458)

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

Welcome to First Baptist Church of Moorestown- a dynamic, joyful, inclusive community of faith where you are welcome, just as you are! We invite you to join us for joyous and affirming worship celebrations Sunday mornings at 10 AM. Our worship service format may feel familiar to you; yet you will be engaged by our creative use of the arts, challenging and thoughtful sermons, and a variety of music. Our

hope is to be full participants in the worship of God rather than to simply "watch" church.

**Camden County:**

**Counseling:**

**\*Amaryllis Healing works**

609-320-0642

926 Haddonfield Rd

Cherry Hill, New Jersey 08002

<http://amaryllishealingworks.com/>

Amaryllis Healing Works is run by Jacquelyn Warr-Williams, LCSW, a licensed clinical social worker and holistic healer. Our mission is to provide competent, caring healing and enriching learning opportunities. Our approach is to encourage you to find the strength you have within you to succeed to your highest potential.

**Organizations:**

**PFLAG Collingswood**

PO Box 894, Collingswood, NJ 08108

Phone:856-834-6355

Email:[pflagcollingswood@yahoo.com](mailto:pflagcollingswood@yahoo.com)  
PFLAG Collingswood is a chapter of the nation non-profit *Parents, Families and Friends of Lesbians and Gays*. We provide support, education and advocacy through monthly meetings and community outreach. Meets the 4th Monday of each month\* at the Collingswood Library, 771 Haddon Ave., from 6:30-8:30 pm. (\*Check the website to confirm dates. May & Dec. are usually the 3rd Monday, due to the holidays). Our meetings are open to anyone seeking to give or receive support for themselves or an LGBT loved one. Youth are welcome, but the group tends to be comprised of adults seeking support.

## **Religious Organizations:**

### **Universalist:**

#### **Unitarian Universalist Church in Cherry Hill**

401 North Kings Highway  
Cherry Hill, NJ 08034  
(856) 667-3618

## **Support Groups:**

### **\*Kaledoscope**

[Contact@KaledoscopeSJ.com](mailto:Contact@KaledoscopeSJ.com)

856-417-4572

[Http://KaledoscopeSJ.com](http://KaledoscopeSJ.com)

PFLAG Collingswood has partnered with Crossroads Programs, based in Willingboro NJ, to create an LGBTQIA youth group which meets monthly. **Kaledoscope** is available to all young people, age 15-20, looking for a safe space to meet new people, participate in youth run activities, and plan future events for the group.

Kaledoscope, is currently under the auspices of the non-profit, Crossroads Programs. The Adult Advisory Panel includes representatives of PFLAG Collingswood, Cooper Hospital, Center for Family Services, Volunteers of America, and NJ PREP.

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

Kaledoscope strives to be a youth-led organization, encouraging teens to take leadership roles and develop communication and organizational skills that will enrich their lives as they transition into adulthood. Meets the 3rd Saturday of each month at **The**

**Spot**, in the Voorhees Town Center, located on the upper level (near Boscov's), from 1:00-3:00 pm.

### **\*Youth Making a Difference**

Jerome T. Pipes  
Health Educator/Project Coordinator,  
YMSM

Camden Area Health Education Center  
(NJAHEC)

514 Cooper Street

Camden, NJ 08102

Office: 856-963-2432 ext 223

Fax: 856-541-1342

[pipes\\_j@camden-ahec.org](mailto:pipes_j@camden-ahec.org)

[www.camden-ahec.org](http://www.camden-ahec.org)

The Drop-In Center provides a safe and comfortable space for youth. The youth are able to interact with fellow LGBT youth therefore allowing them to understand that there is a community that accepts them. The center also provides the youth with a sense of belonging verses feeling lonely and isolated. During our meetings we address issues of HIV and STD education with a strong prevention message through evidence-based interventions as well do confidential HIV Counseling and Testing. The Drop in Center runs on Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays evenings. Also we have special events like skate nights, dances and cultural outings. The youth are between ages 16-24.

## **Essex County:**

### **Counseling:**

#### **Debra Feinberg, LCSW**

Maplewood Counseling  
169 Maplewood Ave Suite 4,  
Maplewood, NJ 07040  
Phone: 973-902-8700  
contact@maplewoodcounseling.com  
Website: MaplewoodCounseling.com

#### **Debbie Frank, LCSW**

33 Plymouth Street Suite 208  
Montclair, New Jersey 07042  
973-744-1600 ext. 2  
Offers counseling for individuals,  
couples, and families.

#### **\*Israel Martinez, LCSW**

[LGBTtherapyNJ.com](http://LGBTtherapyNJ.com)  
[israel@martinezlcsw.com](mailto:israel@martinezlcsw.com)  
[973-866-5120](tel:973-866-5120)

Office in Montclair, NJ  
I work with individuals, couples, and  
families; adults and adolescents.  
I am a gay man who has been working  
with the LGBT community on a  
professional basis for over ten years.  
This background provides me with  
unique expertise on issues that tend to  
be a part of the lesbian, gay, bisexual,  
and transgender experience.

#### **\*Jose M. Perez, MA, LMFT**

Marriage and Family Therapist  
Certified Emotionally Focused  
Therapist  
Emotionally Focused Supervisor  
Candidate  
311 Claremont Ave.  
Montclair, NJ 07042  
[\(973\) 900-0005](tel:973-900-0005)  
<http://www.creatingmeaningfulconnections.com/>

I am a licensed Marriage and Family  
Therapist in New Jersey. My practice

is gay affirmative and I work with  
couples, families and adolescents. I  
am certified as an Emotionally  
Focused Therapist and so the majority  
of my clients are couples. I also  
specialize in trauma, gender identity  
and coming out issues.

I am fluent in Spanish and have  
worked extensively with the latino  
population, biracial or interracial  
individuals, couples and families.

### **Emergency Shelters:**

#### **Apostle House**

24 Grant Street, Newark  
Phone: 973-482-0625  
[Apostleshouse.org](http://Apostleshouse.org)

The mission of the Apostles' House is  
to provide comprehensive social  
services to homeless and at-risk  
families and individuals in the Newark  
area in an environment that  
encourages and enables self-  
sufficiency.

### **Organizations:**

#### **\*The African American Office of Gay Concerns**

877 Broad Street Suite 211  
Newark, NJ 07102  
Phone: 973.639.0700  
Email: [outreach@aaogc.org](mailto:outreach@aaogc.org)  
<http://www.aaogc.org/home/>  
<http://www.facebook.com/AAOGCNEWARK>  
<http://www.twitter.com/aaogcnewark>

The African American Office of Gay  
Concerns mission is to  
comprehensively serve as a resource  
for the well-being of Gay men of color,  
inclusive of, but not limited to the gay,  
bisexual, transgendered and  
questioning communities through  
outreach, education and

compassionate care. The African American Office of Gay Concerns is committed to delivering quality HIV/AIDS services to the Gay community in the Greater Newark Area by providing an array of services focused on positively changing individual increased risk behavior...

**\*Project WOW!**

393 Central Avenue Newark  
Phone:973-483-3444  
To empower LGBTQ youth by offering comprehensive STI and Substance Abuse Prevention Services while working together to create an enjoyable, memorable, safe and value-filled experiences. Project WOW! provides HIV prevention and education services, substance abuse counseling and prevention services, referrals to HIV & STD testing, voguedancing, arts and crafts, talent nights, open mics and a variety of other services and social opportunities

**Religious Organizations:**

**Jewish:**

**Congregation M'kor Shalom**

850 Evesham Road  
Cherry Hill, NJ  
Phone: 856-424-4220

A warm, inclusive synagogue.  
Wherever you are on your spiritual journey, take the next step with us!

**Christian:**

**First Congregational Church, United Church of Christ**

UCC 40 South Fullerton Ave  
Montclair, NJ 07042  
973-744-4856  
<http://firstcongmontclair.com/>

*Come gather with us...no matter who you are or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here!*

**Union Congregational Church**

176 Cooper Avenue  
Montclair, NJ 07043  
(973) 744-7424

**Universalist:**

**The First Unitarian Universalist Church of Essex County**

47 Cleveland St  
Orange, NJ 07050  
(973) 674-0010  
<http://www.firstuu.essex.nj.uua.org>

**Quakers:**

**Montclair Friends Meeting**

289 Park St  
Upper Montclair NJ 07043  
Tel: +1 973 744 8320  
Email: [montclairfriends@gmail.com](mailto:montclairfriends@gmail.com)  
<http://montclair.quaker.org/>  
Montclair Friends Meeting is a Quaker Meeting for Worship, open and welcoming to all, including the LGBT community of all ages.

We hold our regular Meeting for Worship every First Day (Sunday) at 11:00 am (10:00 am in July and August).

Children may attend First Day School concurrently with Meeting for Worship.

Seekers, for adults, meets every First Day at 9:30 am over coffee and bagels.

Our meetinghouse is located in the center of Montclair, New Jersey, at 289 Park Street, just north of Watchung Plaza at Gordonhurst Street.

## **Legal Advocates:**

### **Leslie A. Farber**

Attorney at Law

33 Plymouth Street, Suite 204

Montclair, NJ 07042-2607

Ph. 973.509.8500 x 213

Fax: 973.860.1174

web: <http://www.LFarberLaw.com>

I work with adults in a variety of matters (estate planning, family law, employment law, real estate, bankruptcy), but I also handle name changes for all ages.

## **Gloucester County:**

### **Religious Organizations:**

#### **Universalist:**

**The Unitarian Universalist**

**Gloucester County Congregation**

PO Box 8214

Turnersville, NJ 08012

(856) 232-0001

## **Hudson County:**

### **Counseling:**

#### **\*Institute for Personal Growth**

Highland Park, Jersey City, and Freehold  
800-379-9220

[www.ipgcounseling.com](http://www.ipgcounseling.com)

[facebook/InstituteForPersonalGrowth](https://www.facebook.com/InstituteForPersonalGrowth)

We've been serving LGBTQ residents of NJ since 1983 and have a rather large private practice with 3 locations in NJ. We serve people from toddler age through old age and have a large client base of LGBTQ young people (teens through young adulthood). We also run monthly support groups for transgender youth in our Jersey City and Highland Park offices. We run support groups for their parents/guardians as well.

## **Social Groups:**

### **SAGE**

This is a social networking group that provides workshops, day trips, access to important resources and referrals regarding healthcare, social services and community activities for LgBT people 50+.

Hudson Pride Connections Center 32  
Jones street Jersey City, NJ 07306

Phone: (201) 963-4779

Center Hrs: monday-Friday: 11 a.m.-8  
p.m. 2nd & 4th Saturdays: 12-6 p.m.

<http://www.hudsonpride.org>

[facebook.com/HudsonPrideCenter](https://www.facebook.com/HudsonPrideCenter)

### **Ties Like mine**

A Lesbian, Bisexual, and Questioning (LBQ) social interest group for women 21 and older. Hot Topic discussions on subjects that women who identify as Lesbian, Bisexual, or Questioning deal with in their everyday lives. meets every Thursday from 6:00-7:30pm  
Hudson Pride Connections Center 32  
Jones street Jersey City, NJ 07306  
Phone: (201) 963-4779 Fax: (201)  
963-7983

Center Hrs: monday-Friday: 11 a.m.-8  
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32 Jones Street, Jersey City, NJ 07306

Phone: 201-963-4779

201.963.7983 fax

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

[www.facebook.com/hudsonprideconnectionscenter](https://www.facebook.com/hudsonprideconnectionscenter)

<https://twitter.com/JerseyCityPride>

[www.facebook.com/jerseycitypride](https://www.facebook.com/jerseycitypride)

Mission Statement: Hudson Pride  
Connections Center is a home and

voice for the diverse LGBTQ community and our allies that advocates for our physical, mental, social and political well-being. We create safe and vibrant spaces to gather and celebrate our lives.

### **Religious Organizations:**

#### **Episcopal:**

#### **Church of Our Savior**

191 Flanagan Way (Rt 153)

Secaucus, NJ 07094

(201) 863-1449

<http://www.secaucus.org/oursaviour>

### **Support Groups:**

#### **BoY**

A prevention and support group for gay and bisexual men between the ages of 21 and 29. BoY meets every Friday from 6:30-8:00pm.

Hudson Pride Connections Center 32  
Jones street Jersey City, NJ 07306

Phone: (201) 963-4779 Fax: (201) 963-7983

Center Hrs: monday–Friday: 11 a.m.–8 p.m. 2nd & 4th Saturdays: 12–6 p.m.

<http://www.hudsonpride.org>

[facebook.com/HudsonPrideCenter](https://www.facebook.com/HudsonPrideCenter)

#### **LGBT AA support group**

Meets every Wednesday from 6:30-7:30pm.

Hudson Pride Connections Center 32  
Jones street Jersey City, NJ 07306

Phone: (201) 963-4779 Fax: (201) 963-7983

Center Hrs: monday–Friday: 11 a.m.–8 p.m. 2nd & 4th Saturdays: 12–6 p.m.

<http://www.hudsonpride.org>

[facebook.com/HudsonPrideCenter](https://www.facebook.com/HudsonPrideCenter)

#### **LGBT NA support group**

meets every Tuesday from 7:00-8:30pm.

Hudson Pride Connections Center 32  
Jones street Jersey City, NJ 07306

Phone: (201) 963-4779 Fax: (201) 963-7983

Center Hrs: monday–Friday: 11 a.m.–8 p.m. 2nd & 4th Saturdays: 12–6 p.m.

<http://www.hudsonpride.org>

[facebook.com/HudsonPrideCenter](https://www.facebook.com/HudsonPrideCenter)

#### **\*Thank Goodness I'm Fabulous (T.G.I.F.) Peer Advocate Program**

African American Office of Gay Concerns

877 Broad Street Suite 211

Newark, NJ 07102

Phone: 973-639-0757

Email: [Outreach2@aaogc.org](mailto:Outreach2@aaogc.org)

The T.G.I.F. (Thank Goodness I'm Fabulous) Peer Advocate Project is here to provide young African-American and Latino Transgender girls a safe space, especially the "ballroom" and "sex work" girls. The T.G.I.F. Peer Advocate Project introduces and supports behavior change through community support, HIV/STI prevention education and safer sex information to reduce the transmission of HIV within these communities.

#### **TransView**

Transgender support group that provides workshops, social events and much more. Every Tuesday from 6:30-8:00pm.

Hudson Pride Connections Center 32  
Jones street Jersey City, NJ 07306

Phone: (201) 963-4779

Center Hrs: monday–Friday: 11 a.m.–8 p.m. 2nd & 4th Saturdays: 12–6 p.m.

<http://www.hudsonpride.org>

[facebook.com/HudsonPrideCenter](https://www.facebook.com/HudsonPrideCenter)



### **\*YouthConnect**

For 13-24 year olds. Providing tutoring, computer access, empowerment workshops, job development assistance, meals, a social support group, HIV testing and prevention education, drop-in center and much more.

Hudson Pride Connections Center 32 Jones street Jersey City, NJ 07306

Phone: (201) 963-4779 Fax: (201) 963-7983

Center Hrs: monday–Friday: 11 a.m.–8 p.m. 2nd & 4th Saturdays: 12–6 p.m.

<http://www.hudsonpride.org>

[facebook.com/HudsonPrideCenter](https://www.facebook.com/HudsonPrideCenter)

### **Mercer County:**

#### **Emergency Shelters:**

##### **\*Anchor House, Inc.**

482 Centre Street Trenton, NJ 08611

Phone: (609) 396-8329 Fax: (609) 396-1239

Email: [anchorhouse@erols.com](mailto:anchorhouse@erols.com):

This is a short-term emergency shelter for runaway, homeless and abused youth, eleven to seventeen years of age.

##### **\*Anchorage**

229 Chestnut Ave. Trenton, NJ 08611

Phone: (609) 989-1625

This is a transitional living program for homeless youth. It serves young people eighteen to twenty-one years of age who can stay up to eighteen months. In addition, Anchorage has a limited number of supervised apartments for those eighteen and older. Employment, education and life skills training are also available on an out-client basis. The agency is open 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

### **Domestic Violence:**

#### **WOMENSPACE**

Womanspace, Inc.

1530 Brunswick Avenue

Lawrenceville, New Jersey 08648

Phone:609-394-9000

Email:[info@womanspace.org](mailto:info@womanspace.org)

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

[#!/pages/Womanspace-](https://www.facebook.com/#!/pages/Womanspace-Inc/151692311521382)

[Inc/151692311521382](https://www.facebook.com/#!/pages/Womanspace-Inc/151692311521382)

The mission of Womanspace is to Prevent Abuse, Protect Families and Change Lives through empowerment and a safety net of supportive services.

Womanspace operates the Mercer County Domestic Violence & Sexual Assault 24-Hour Hotlines: [609-394-9000](tel:609-394-9000), (TTY) 1-888-252-SAFE (7233).

We also operate the NJ statewide Domestic Violence 24 Hour Hotline: 1-800-572-SAFE (7233).

### **Housing:**

#### **\*Triad House**

Triad House, a program of LifeTies,

Inc. Administrative Office John S.

Watson Sr.

Building 2205 Pennington Road,

Trenton

Phone:609-771-4221

Website: [www.lifeties.org](http://www.lifeties.org)

Triad House, a program of LifeTies, is a 24-hour residential group home for lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgendered youth ages 14-18 who are the victims of abuse, neglect and/or homelessness. Triad House is the only group home for LGBTQ youth in New Jersey and one of only three group homes of its kind in the nation. Triad works with youth to deal with and overcome the effects of physical, emotional, and sexual abuse. Triad

House provides a nurturing, supportive, and structured environment where our youth can develop trust, grow, and become positive and productive members of society.

## **Middlesex County:**

### **Counseling:**

#### **\*Institute for Personal Growth**

Highland Park, Jersey City, and Freehold  
800-379-9220

[www.ipgcounseling.com](http://www.ipgcounseling.com)

[facebook/InstituteForPersonalGrowth](https://www.facebook.com/InstituteForPersonalGrowth)

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#### **Michael Kowalczyk**

296 Amboy Ave  
Metuchen, NJ 08840  
(732) 261-6691

It is often difficult to find gay therapists who are accepting new clients and are in network with most insurance companies, all of which I am. I offer weekday evening and weekend appointments and my office is located within walking distance to the train station in Metuchen.

#### **David Rogoff, M.S. Highland Park**

732-545-2844

24 North Third Avenue suite 202,  
Highland Park, NJ 08904

You can find this professional's webpage through [njgaylife.com](http://njgaylife.com)

Focuses: Coming out issues, gender identity issues, transition, bereavement, grief/loss, and parental support for LGBT children.

#### **Marsha N. Shapiro LCSW, BCD, LLC**

North Brunswick & Toms River  
732-422-9400

Ms. Shapiro's practice offers a respectful, affirmative and safe environment in which clients can focus on improving the quality of their lives. She uses techniques to empower her clients and increase their sense of worthiness and self-esteem.

Establishing a trusting, caring and nurturing relationship with the people who seek her help is of the utmost importance.

### **Social Groups:**

#### **Arts Adventures**

Provides opportunities for PCNJ members and friends to participate with others in attending a variety of cultural events (i.e. theater, museums, galleries, concerts, opera and dance). The date, time and place of upcoming events are sent by e-mail. Contact [artsadventures36@aol.com](mailto:artsadventures36@aol.com) to learn more.

#### **Booked For Supper**

A monthly supper time book club at the Pride Center to read and discuss thought-provoking fiction. You may want to pick up a bite to bring with you; listed below are options

immediately adjacent to the Pride Center for delicious take out. Contact Walter at [whotkowski@aol.com](mailto:whotkowski@aol.com) to express interest and let us know you'll be joining us. Pride Center of New Jersey, 85 Raritan Avenue, Suite 100, Highland Park, New Jersey. Chinese take-out next door, Deli across the street, Aposto's Pizza across the street, Dunkin' Donuts and Papa John's down the block. \$3.00 donation to PCNJ requested for this event

### **ComeOUT&Play**

ComeOUT&Play (COP) is a social hang out group for people who identify as gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgendered, and allies who are 18-39. While based at The Pride Center of New Jersey in Highland Park, events are scheduled throughout the entire Garden State. COP meets regularly on the first and third Tuesdays of each month (except for holidays) at 7:30 PM (introductions at 7:45PM) and hosts AT LEAST one social outing per month. We ask for a \$3 donation to the Pride Center. Social outings will consist of happy hours, dinners, sporting activities, outdoor adventures, cultural events and bar outings. COP's social calendar will include both gay and non gay related events. Attending social outings are funded by the individual. Contact [standup4equality@gmail.com](mailto:standup4equality@gmail.com) to learn more.

### **Educational Forum**

The Educational Forum provides an opportunity for the LGBTIQ community to take part in enrichment sessions that vary in depth and interest. Past offerings have included: Practical Spanish, Writers' Workshop, Men's Massage Clinic, A Guide to

Financial & Estate Planning, and many more. \$3 Suggested Donation  
Open to Every Over 18  
Hosted by The Men's Guild of The  
Pride Center of New Jersey  
85 Raritan Ave  
Highland Park, New Jersey  
732-846-2232

### **FetChat**

Group meets the 2nd and 4th Mondays (7:30PM to 9PM) of every month starting on April 22. Social Discussion on Sexual Fetishes, Fantasies, Experiences and Desires. Exploring Fetishes both real and imaginary and topics may even be educational! Exploring Social Networking with Fetish themes and finding answers to questions people may have had about a sexual fetish. Ages 18 and over. Contact Carlton at [shy.matsi@gmail.com](mailto:shy.matsi@gmail.com)

### **Games Night**

Come play board games and socialize! Bring a potluck dessert and show off your talents. Meets on the fourth Saturday of each month from 7 -10pm.

### **Jersey Kollege of Kink**

Jersey Kollege of Kink is an ongoing educational project of the NJ Leather Family as a service to the Leather/GLBT community, presided over by Headmistress Goddess Morgaine. Whether to satisfy your curiosity, learn some new skills or just for the experience come and check it out. All sessions open to all genders, age 18 and over. 2nd Thursday of each month, 7:30-9 PM. For further info, contact either [dragonslairprod@aol.com](mailto:dragonslairprod@aol.com) or [msnjleather2010@yahoo.com](mailto:msnjleather2010@yahoo.com)

### **Karaoke Party**

All are welcome to come and sing your favorite songs on the new, digital karaoke system. We have a vast collection of tunes, and you can bring and sing your own. \$5.00 donation requested. Meets first Friday of every month, 7:30 PM to 10:30 PM.

### **LGBT Activist Forum**

The purpose of this forum will be to discuss, educate and inform ourselves respecting issues that affect the happiness, safety and civil rights of LGBT people in our immediate world and the world at large. The group will plan periodic educational events for the Center community through guest speakers, panel presentations and films. Contact with ideas and for info: David Rogoff, [pcnjrogoff@aol.com](mailto:pcnjrogoff@aol.com)

### **Living Out Women**

Living Out Women is a social group that offers women the opportunity to engage in discussions on a variety of subjects, meet-ups, trips, and lend each other help, support, and guidance. The idea is to create a place where we can meet new friends in a relaxed environment. We are open to gay, bisexual, transgendered, intersexed, queer, and the questioning community. Meets 2nd & 4th Wednesdays of Every Month Time 7:30 – 9:00 PM Location Room 4, Contact [standup4equality@gmail.com](mailto:standup4equality@gmail.com) to learn more.

### **Living Soulfully**

Living Soulfully is a community of men who love men to nurture individual and collective, conscious spiritual growth. You are invited to share an evening of connection! We nourish the mind, body and heart with

opportunities to meet people, heart-felt sharing and fun in a safe, supportive environment. Originally founded in Boston as a satellite community of Easton Mountain, a gay men's retreat center in upstate New York, Living Soulfully is a non-profit grassroots organization of men loving men in community. We currently have centers in Boston, MA, Hartford, CT, New York City, NY, Philadelphia, PA, Tampa, FL, Wilmington, DE, Fort Lauderdale, FL and are now forming a group here in Central Jersey. For info, contact: Elias Scultori, ACC, MSM [elias@eliasscultori.com](mailto:elias@eliasscultori.com) 732.419.2566

### **Movie Social**

LGBT themed movie shown on our FABULOUS DVD Projector. Facilitated discussion usually follows film. Meets on the second Saturday of each month at 7:00 PM. [hagol@msn.com](mailto:hagol@msn.com)

### **“Out of the Box” Open Mic Night**

**Out of the Box Open Mic Night** is an open-mic for ALL TYPES OF PERFORMERS poets, singers, comedians, tragedians, musicians, jugglers, etc, etc, etc. hosted by Pandora Scooter and Stephen Jones. It's held on the THIRD FRIDAY of EVERY MONTH from 8:00 to about 10:30 PM at Stage Stars, 13 South Third Avenue in Highland Park, NJ. Light nosh and low octane beverages served. Admission: \$5 donation/ \$3 for students.

Info: [outoftheboxinfo@mac.com](mailto:outoftheboxinfo@mac.com) or 732-718-0134

### **RockBand/GuitarHero**

Come to The Pride Center and play RockBand and GuitarHero with us! Either show off your skills or sit back and enjoy the entertainment! We will provide the equipment, you just need to come ready to ROCK!! We will take a \$3 donation to help support PCNJ. 2nd Friday of each month, 7:30 to 10 PM. Questions? Message Amanda at [atstandup4equality@gmail.com](mailto:atstandup4equality@gmail.com).

### **\*The After School HangOUT**

Support and Social Group for LGBTIQ youth 17 and younger and their straight allies! Come hang out with us at a safe place to talk, meet new people, and have fun! It's an extension of our current Youth Drop-In that happens the Second and Forth Saturdays of the month at the Pride Center.

### **The Lavender Cinema Club**

The Lavender Cinema Club is a Pride Center of NJ venue for presenting classic mainstream movies that display a gay subtext or sensibility. Many of these movies, especially those prior to the liberating social forces of the late sixties, are ambiguous or veiled in their gay references. As we travel through the last 80 years of movie making, we expect to see period differences in tone and content which will parallel the attitudes of their times. Meets the 4th Sunday of each month, 3 – 5 PM at The Pride Center. \$5.00 suggested donation for this event. For questions, contact Walter at [WHotkowski@aol.com](mailto:WHotkowski@aol.com)

### **Women's Songwriting Circle**

A monthly gathering of women songwriters who meet to share original songs in a supportive, positive environment where creativity is nurtured. Feedback will only be given on request. Bring your lyrics, melodies and instruments to share. All levels, including beginners, are welcome. Group meets every 3rd Friday of the month from 7:30 pm to 9 pm, beginning Friday, September 20. For more information please contact Sharleen Leahey at [songs4peace@earthlink.net](mailto:songs4peace@earthlink.net) or call (908) 253-6964.

### **Writers' Group**

Creative writing and discussion group. Meets every Thursday, from 7:30PM – 9:00PM. Contact [daphnekanellopoulos@gmail.com](mailto:daphnekanellopoulos@gmail.com).

### **Yoga for Men**

No yoga experience or level of flexibility required. All levels welcome. Bring a yoga mat and a hand towel.

Led by Steven A. Russell (DYRT), he seeks to enable others to find a body of vibrant health, a mind free from restlessness, and a soul that radiantly sings from the core of existence. He combines his experience as a yogi and a musician, working with breath, vibration, concentration, and movement, to present uplifting and relaxing yoga classes.

Steven has been practicing yoga for over ten years. He is a certified teacher of Dharma Yoga, having studied with Sri Dharma Mittra in NYC. All are welcome to attend his

classes, from the beginner to the experienced. Meets 2nd and 4th Tuesdays, 7:30PM-9:00PM. Email [steven@stevenarussell.com](mailto:steven@stevenarussell.com) for more information.

### **Young Men's Social Network**

A social/ support group for men 18-40. Meets every 1st and 3rd Monday at 8:00 pm. We talk about sex, love, sexuality, family life, pop culture, relationships and other related topics. Afterwards we socialize at a restaurant/diner in the area. For more information e-mail [shy.matsi@gmail.com](mailto:shy.matsi@gmail.com). Meets 1st and 3rd Monday of each month at 8:00-9:30pm.

### **Support Groups:**

#### **Men of Pride**

A msm support group in an understanding and safe environment for gay, bisexual, and questioning men, to openly discuss social, political, and personal issues that are important to you.

Hudson Pride Connections Center 32 Jones street Jersey City, NJ 07306  
Phone: (201) 963-4779 Fax: (201) 963-7983

Center Hrs: monday-Friday: 11 a.m.-8 p.m. 2nd & 4th Saturdays: 12-6 p.m.

<http://www.hudsonpride.org>  
[facebook.com/HudsonPrideCenter](https://www.facebook.com/HudsonPrideCenter)

#### **New Jersey Furs (Middlesex)**

A social group that meets in a safe space to discuss ideas. A public community, anyone is welcome to inquire or join. Most members are gay or bisexual. Meets second and fourth Saturdays at 2pm at the Pride Center.

### **Overeater's Anonymous**

Mondays, 7:30pm at the Pride Center. A program of recovery for compulsive overeaters using the 12 Steps and 12 Traditions. The only requirement for membership is a desire to stop eating compulsively. Open Big Book meeting. For more information, please contact Mark D. at 973-879-3038 or [markdoa@gmail.com](mailto:markdoa@gmail.com) -or- Sarita at 732-233-5465.

### **TrueSelves**

3rd Sunday, 4 -6 PM at the Pride Center. A facilitated support group exclusively for and about transgender-identified individuals, regardless of where on the transgender spectrum you believe you live. TrueSelves is a safe place where you can share your feelings and experiences in an open, non-judgmental and accepting atmosphere. For more information please contact Kate Whitefield, [katewhitefield@gmail.com](mailto:katewhitefield@gmail.com)  
The group is run by the members.

### **Under the Rainbow**

Under the Rainbow gives individuals between the ages of 18 and 25 the chance to receive not only support for young members of the LGTBQQ community, but allows for a fun and relaxed environment and a chance to socialize with your peers. Discussions will be based on the group's needs and group activities, games, and trips will be planned, so that we can all get to know each other better! The group meets on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of every month, from 7-9pm at the Pride Center of NJ. If you have any questions, please email Group Leader Joe at [jmspulick@gmail.com](mailto:jmspulick@gmail.com) or Samantha at [nokestom@yahoo.com](mailto:nokestom@yahoo.com).

### **Women Coming Out Support Group**

This group provides a supportive environment for women who are at any stage of the coming out process. Women of all ages who consider themselves gay, lesbian, bisexual, or questioning are welcome. Ages 18 and over. Meets on the first Tuesday and third Thursday of every month, 7:30PM to 9:00PM at the Pride Center.

### **Women of Pride**

Women's group which focuses on education, nutrition, health, and risk reduction. meets the 2nd and 4th Saturday of each month from 1:00-3:00pm.

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Phone: (201) 963-4779 Fax: (201) 963-7983

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<http://www.hudsonpride.org>  
[facebook.com/HudsonPrideCenter](https://www.facebook.com/HudsonPrideCenter)

### **\*Youth Drop In**

The Youth Drop-In is a program for LGBTIQ youth and their straight allies ages 17 and under who can drop in at the Pride Center of NJ for support, fun or to talk about what's going on in their lives. We meet every 2nd and 4th Saturdays from 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm. We offer the support group session for about an hour at 2:00pm for those that want or need it. Activities include discussions, watching movies, guest speakers, and fun games to meet and make new friends! For more information, please contact our adult administrator Ellen via email at [ellengilioesq@aol.com](mailto:ellengilioesq@aol.com) or by phone at 973-342-1108 or contact our adult adviser Stacy via email at [peacegeek1965@gmail.com](mailto:peacegeek1965@gmail.com).

### **Organizations:**

#### **\*Pride Center of NJ, GLBT Community Center**

732-846-2232  
85 Raritan Avenue, Suite 100  
Highland Park, NJ  
Email: [info@pridecenter.org](mailto:info@pridecenter.org)  
Twitter account- @pridecenternj  
Facebook/thepridecenterofnj  
Web: <http://www.pridecenter.org>  
The mission of The Pride Center of New Jersey is to provide comprehensive programming which fosters the health and well-being of the lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, intersexed, and questioning (LGBTIQ) community, and to increase public acceptance and champion social change for the LGBTIQ community through education and outreach.

#### **HIV/AIDS Info:**

##### **New Brunswick Counseling Center**

84 New Street  
New Brunswick, NJ 08901  
Phone: (732) 246-4025

This agency provides pre- and post-test counseling, free testing for HIV (with parental consent), service referrals for HIV clients, support groups, and educational and informational workshops.

#### **Religious Organizations:**

##### **Jewish:**

##### **Anshe Emeth Temple**

222 Livingston Avenue  
New Brunswick, NJ 08901  
Email: [temple@aemt.info](mailto:temple@aemt.info) (email to include and send PDF to)  
Phone: (732) 545-6484  
Homepage: <http://www.aemt.net/>

**Temple Emanu-El**

100 James Street  
Edison, NJ 08820  
(732) 549-4442

<http://westfieldnj.com/temple>

Temple Emanu-El is a vibrant reform Jewish synagogue with a proud history of leadership in social issues and an inclusive policy.

**Catholic:****Sacred Heart Roman Catholic Church**

200 Randolph Ave.  
South Plainfield, NJ 07080  
Phone: 908-756-0633 ext. 125 or 142  
TITLE: *In God's Image* Catholic Faith

Sharing Group

MEETING: 2nd Wednesday of every month, except June, July and August. 7:30 PM - 9:00 PM. Annex building (parking lot located at the end of Leonard Ave. South Plainfield.

Parish Center address:

200 Randolph Ave. South Plainfield, NJ

CONTACT: Fr. John, pastor [908-756-0633](tel:908-756-0633) ext. 125 or Sr. Kathleen ext. 142

We are a Roman Catholic parish-based ministry in Central New Jersey that welcomes and supports gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender (LGBT) persons, their family and friends. (21+) We share our faith through prayer, scripture and dialogue. We seek to engage the larger community in recognizing that we are all members of God's family and we each have a place at the table.

**Support Groups:****Bisexual, Bi-curious and Allies Support Group**

The purpose of this group is to provide a safe place to discuss different aspects of the bi experience: bisexuals in the work place, family, community. Coming out stories can be shared, etc. By 'allies' we mean friends of bi folks who show support for the group. The group will meet the 2nd and 4th Tuesday evenings from 7 to 9 PM. On the 2nd Tuesday in Room 3, on the 4th Tuesday, Room 2. For info, contact Donald Taylor at [dtmadness778@yahoo.com](mailto:dtmadness778@yahoo.com)

**Caregiver Support Group**

This group offers a safe place for LGBT families, partners and other caregivers of adults with chronic health problems to discuss the unique issues of caring for their loved ones. The facilitator, Karen Groder, is an LPN. Meets 7:30 to 9 PM, the third Tuesday evening of each month. Direct any questions to Karen at 732-995-1354.

**Chapter 9 – Couples In Recovery**

Group meets weekly on Sunday evenings from 7:00 – 8:00 PM at the Pride Center, open to couples and singles, gay, straight or otherwise, who want to improve their relationship with their significant other. \$3/person suggested donation. Direct questions to Reva: [irvnrevak@yahoo.com](mailto:irvnrevak@yahoo.com)



### **Gay Dads' Support Group**

A monthly group focusing on parent/child issues for gay dads. Drop-ins are welcome. Meets first Wednesday of each month at the Pride Center, 7:30 PM – 9:00 PM. Email Joe ([Explorejoel@yahoo.com](mailto:Explorejoel@yahoo.com)) for more information.

### **Gay Men's Coming Out Group**

A moderated discussion group for issues related to coming out as gay men. Men vote on the topic of the day. Meets every Wednesday at 7:30 pm at the Pride Center. Send e-mail to [njwarrior@aol.com](mailto:njwarrior@aol.com) for more info.

### **Gay Men's Guild**

The mission of the Gay Men's Guild (GMG) is to foster the continuance of the Pride Center of New Jersey by making a positive difference in the lives of gay men, through the following elements:

- sponsoring social, health/athletic activities;
- maintaining a supportive/brotherhood group;
- addressing political needs of gay men; and,
- supporting community activities, by providing a nurturing environment of understanding and respect for gay men of New Jersey. The Guild is dedicated and committed to developing and maintaining a gay men's community.

### **Gay Men's Living Out Group**

The Men's Living Out discussion group provides a safe and supportive environment where gay men meet for brotherhood and support. Meets every Wednesday from 7:30 PM – 9:00 PM at the Pride Center.

## **Monmouth County:**

### **Counseling:**

#### **Asbury Park Psychotherapy**

#### **Associates**

732-823-2251

501 Grand Avenue, Asbury Park, NJ  
07712

<http://www.asburyparktherapy.com/>

### **\*Institute for Personal Growth**

Highland Park, Jersey City, and Freehold  
800-379-9220

[www.ipgcounseling.com](http://www.ipgcounseling.com)

[facebook/InstituteForPersonalGrowth](https://www.facebook.com/InstituteForPersonalGrowth)

We've been serving LGBTQ residents of NJ since 1983 and have a rather large private practice with 3 locations in NJ. We serve people from toddler age through old age and have a large client base of LGBTQ young people (teens through young adulthood). We also run monthly support groups for transgender youth in our Jersey City and Highland Park offices. We run support groups for their parents/guardians as well.

### **HIV/ AIDS Info:**

#### **ACT UP ASBURY Park**

806 Third Avenue, Asbury Park, NJ  
07712

Phone: 732-774-3416

[actupasbury@emailaccount.com](mailto:actupasbury@emailaccount.com)

### **Religious Organizations:**

#### **Jewish:**

#### **Temple Shalom of Aberdeen 5**

Ayrmont Lane

Aberdeen, NJ 07747

(732) 566-2621

**Methodist:**

**United Methodist Church of Red Bank**

247 Broad Street  
Red Bank, New Jersey 07701  
(732) 747-0446

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

The United Methodist Church of Red Bank is a church with open doors, empowered by God's love to be a Christ-like community, reaching out in ministry and service.

**Morris County:**

**HIV/AIDS Info:**

**New Jersey AIDS Services**

44 South St.  
Morristown, NJ 07960  
(973) 285-0006

[www.Njas-inc.org](http://www.Njas-inc.org)

The mission of New Jersey AIDS Services is to respond compassionately and responsibly to the HIV/AIDS crisis by providing supportive services, housing opportunities, prevention strategies and education to enhance the community we serve. The vision of NJAS is to create a community of acceptance where the social issues of HIV/AIDS can be abundantly met.

**Religious Organizations:**

**Methodist:**

**Boonton United Methodist Church**

626 Lathrop Ave.  
Boonton, NJ 07005  
(973) 334-8275

<http://www.gbgm-umc.org>

**Christian:**

**Brookside Community Church**

8 East Main Street  
Brookside, NJ 07926  
(973) 543-7229

<http://brooksidechurch.org>

**Ocean County:**

**Counseling:**

**Marsha N. Shapiro LCSW, BCD, LLC**

North Brunswick & Toms River  
732-422-9400

Ms. Shapiro's practice offers a respectful, affirmative and safe environment in which clients can focus on improving the quality of their lives. She uses techniques to empower her clients and increase their sense of worthiness and self-esteem.

Establishing a trusting, caring and nurturing relationship with the people who seek her help is of the utmost importance.

**HIV/AIDS Info:**

**\*Ocean County Health Department**

(732) 341-9700

As of January 2014: 1163 NJ State  
HWY 37 West Unit C2  
Toms River, NJ

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

**Montclair Friends Meeting**

289 Park St  
Upper Montclair NJ 07043  
Tel: [+1 973 744 8320](tel:+19737448320)

Email: [montclairfriends@gmail.com](mailto:montclairfriends@gmail.com)

<http://montclair.quaker.org/>

Montclair Friends Meeting is a Quaker Meeting for Worship, open and welcoming to all, including the LGBT community of all ages.

We hold our regular Meeting for Worship every First Day (Sunday)

at 11:00 am (10:00 am in July and August).

Children may attend First Day School concurrently with Meeting for Worship.

Seekers, for adults, meets every First Day at 9:30 am over coffee and bagels.

Our meetinghouse is located in the center of Montclair, New Jersey, at 289 Park Street, just north of Watchung Plaza at Gordonhurst Street.

### **Religious Organizations:**

#### **Presbyterian:**

##### **Montclair Friends Meeting**

289 Park St

Upper Montclair NJ 07043

Tel: +1 973 744 8320

Email: [montclairfriends@gmail.com](mailto:montclairfriends@gmail.com)

<http://montclair.quaker.org/>

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### **Passaic County:**

#### **Religious Organizations:**

##### **Episcopal:**

##### **St. Peter's Episcopal Church**

380 Clifton Avenue, Clifton, NJ 07011

Phone: 973-546-5020

Email: [stpetersclifton@verizon.net](mailto:stpetersclifton@verizon.net)

### **Somerset County:**

#### **Counseling:**

##### **\*TeamHope: Speech and Pediatric Therapy Center**

Hope Fernicola, MA, CCC-SLP

Route 202, 206 South Burnt Mills Road, Bedminster, NJ

908-375-8347

<http://teamhope.com/>

TeamHope Speech and Pediatric Therapy Center offers comprehensive, integrated, multidisciplinary evaluations and treatment services for children with autism, developmental special needs, and learning disabilities.

##### **Vocal Transformations**

Hope Fernicola, MA, CCC-SLP

Route 202, 206 South Burnt Mills Road, Bedminster, NJ

908-375-8347

<http://www.vocaltransformations.com/>

##### **HIV/AIDS Info:**

##### **Somerset Medical Center Ryan White Clinic**

Phone: (908) 685-2444 –HIV testing  
110 Rehill Ave.

Somerville, NJ 08876

<http://www.somersetmedicalcenter.com/Main/RyanWhiteClinic.aspx>

Somerset Medical Center's Ryan White Clinic provides primary medical care and case management to adults with

HIV or AIDS, regardless of financial eligibility.

### **Social Groups:**

#### **Tuesday Night Lesbian Connection (TLC)**

Bound Brook Presbyterian Church  
Freeman Chapel  
Bound Brook Cemetery 500 Mountain Avenue Bound Brook, NJ 08805  
Phone: 732-371-3466  
Email: info4TNLC@yahoo.com  
Meets 7:45 to 9:30 pm every Tuesday Night. TNLC is a social/support group serving the Lesbian community in Somerset County and surrounding areas, organized to provide the Lesbian community with a positive environment. Schedule of events, discussion topics and speakers available at meetings or to women on the mailing list.

### **Online Contact:**

#### **Social Groups:**

##### **Copperless**

Email: intersexedpeopleofnj@gmail.com or copperlessmeetup@gmail.com  
A GLBTI Meetup Group for The Flat Broke. Copperless (as in penny less), is an adult (as in grown ups, not perverts) meet up group for intersexed, trans, glbti (or friendly) people & Sci-Fi enthusiasts (nerds are people too) that are flat broke! Lots of people are in this situation or worse. Either living off savings or unemployment. Most meet up groups go bowling, to pubs, movies & the like. It's always something that costs money. This group would do things like meets in a public park to sit and chat and/or go hiking. Whatever it is we decide to do, it would be free or close to it. Copperless is a friendly,

none threatening, nonjudgmental, accepting environment. It's also smoke/drug and alcohol free so those in recovery would be safe in attending. Copperless follows safe space & safe conduct rules.

We have an IRC chat channel for both groups. Unlike other IRC chats, this one is real time & not some cheap webchat. The channel is hosted on freenode.org. Simply add irc.freenode.org to any IRC client such as x-chat, ichat, kvirc\* (\*recommended) & join #intersexed-newjersey.

#### **Triangle Circle Players**

Triangle Circle Players is a new community theater production company being formed by Darren Nye, which will focus on LGBTIQ topics. Darren is looking for other leaders to join the Board of Trustees, as well as actors and a production crew. To get the company off the ground, Darren's goal is to produce and direct "Avow" by Bill C Davis. Those interested in volunteering to be part of the Board, the Avow creative and/or production team, or actors interested in auditioning, should visit [www.TriangleCirclePlayers.org](http://www.TriangleCirclePlayers.org) for more information or write [tocasting@trianglecircleplayers.org](mailto:tocasting@trianglecircleplayers.org). Not currently meeting at the Pride Center.

#### **Tuesday Night Men's Social**

Social, educational, rap, potlucks, for everyone. Meets second & fourth Tuesdays @ 8:00 p.m. Email [njrj@aol.com](mailto:njrj@aol.com) for info.

## **Organizations:**

### **Integrity NYC-Metro**

<http://www.facebook.com/integritynycmetro>

<http://integritynycmetro.org>

Our twitter is @integritynyc

Integrity is an LGBT advocacy organization within the Episcopal Church. We work to educate our parishes to be supportive and welcoming places for LGBT people including youth. They serve as a resource for individuals looking to identify a safe and LGBT-friendly, religious organization.

### **The Schubert Group**

Phone 973-727-5288

The Schubert Group

([www.schubertgrp.com](http://www.schubertgrp.com)) offers a wide array of services including to the Small Businesses, and has recently added mentoring gay youth between ages 18 and 25 in terms of finding direction regards career paths, public speaking on Diversity Issues in High Schools and companies...(anti Bullying etc).

## **Religious Organizations:**

### **Buddhism:**

#### **Gay Buddhist Fellowship**

<http://gaybuddhist.org/v3-wp/>

The Gay Buddhist Fellowship supports Buddhist practice in the Gay men's community. It is a forum that brings together the diverse Buddhist traditions to address the spiritual concerns of Gay men in the San Francisco Bay Area, the United States, and the world. GBF's mission includes cultivating a social environment that is inclusive and caring.

## **Muslim:**

### **Queer Muslims**

[http://www.angelfire.com/ca2/queer\\_muslims/](http://www.angelfire.com/ca2/queer_muslims/)

This is a page for gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender Muslims, and for allies.

## **Support Groups:**

### **COLAGE**

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

[@COLAGENational](http://www.facebook.com/collage)

COLAGE unites people with lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and/or queer parents into a network of peers and supports them as they nurture and empower each other to be skilled, self-confident, and just leaders in our collective communities. We mainly serve youth ages 8-18 but we also have groups, opportunities and resources for adults 18+

### **Intersexed People of New Jersey**

Contact:Kate Draven

[intersexedpeopleofnj@yahoo.com](mailto:intersexedpeopleofnj@yahoo.com)

For IPNJ: Intersexed People of NJ is a support group for Intersexed & Trans people (& friends) who don't fit in with other GLBTI groups. First & foremost this is NOT an adult group. This is a support & info group. DON'T join if sex is what you are after. This is not a pick up group! For meetups, see Copperless info.

**\*Rainbow Cafe NJ**

[www.facebook.com/rainbowcafennj](http://www.facebook.com/rainbowcafennj)

[www.rainbowcafennj.org](http://www.rainbowcafennj.org) (Up and running by early January 2014)

The Rainbow Cafe in Northern NJ is a safe space support group for LGBTQ teenagers ages 13-19 years old. We serve students in and around Bergen County. We provide quarterly dances where around 120 kids come for great music, social interaction, and information sharing. We also have semi-monthly meetings to discuss navigate dating, making healthy and wise choices. We also meet periodically for open mic nights that has proven to be very popular. The Rainbow Cafe in Northern NJ is a cooperative effort between Bergen PFLAG and the Cresskill Congregational Church, UCC.

**Resources for Professionals:  
National Network of Runaway and Youth Services**

(202) 783-7949

This service connects programs with other programs, works to raise awareness, educates, and informs individuals of trainings and best practices.

**Hotlines/ Helplines:**

**Gay and Lesbian Switchboard of NY Project**

(212) 989-0999

National toll free phone:

1-(888)843-4564

<http://www.glnh.org>

**\*National Gay and Lesbian Youth Hotline**

(800) 347-8336

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

**National Runaway Switchboard**

(800) 621-4000

This helpline operates 24 hours a day. It provides: information and referrals to housing, medical services, and counseling --message delivery between youth and their parent/guardians--crisis intervention and suicide counseling.

**National STD/AIDS Hotline Centers for Disease Control**

(1-800-CDC-INFO)

**New Jersey Self-help Group Clearing House**

1-800-367-6274

This service connects clients with support groups in their area.

**New Jersey STD/AIDS Hotline**

(800) 624-2377

**\*Peer Listening Line**

(800) 399-PEER

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

### **\*Trevor Project Helpline**

(866) 488-7386

This helpline focuses on issues confronting young people who are questioning their sexuality, and on those who may be considering suicide. It offers a chance to talk with trained counselors who can also assist in locating local resources.

### **Online Resources:**

Queer Resources

Directory [www.qrd.org](http://www.qrd.org)

This site contains sections about GLBT youth, history, health and more.

Equality Federation-

<http://equalityfederation.org/resources/public> (education on USA equality)

<http://www.youthresource.com/> - for questioning youth

Deaf Queer Resource Center: National nonprofit resource and information center for, by and about the Deaf LGBTQI community (hereafter referred to as the "Deaf Queer community").

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

GAAMC (Gay Activist Alliance of Morris County): Provides social and educational outreach for the LGBTQI community in Morris County, NJ.

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

Garden State Equality: New Jersey's largest marriage equality organization  
<http://www.gardenstateequality.org/>

NJ Gay Life: New Jersey's online resource for the GLBT community. Find information on LGBT

organizations, friendly businesses, clubs and bars, meetings, etc.

<http://www.njgaylife.com/>

<http://www.paulcolichman.com/>  
Planet Out: News, resources, opinion, shopping, entertainment, and more for the LGBT community.

<http://www.narcoticsanonymousnj.org/meetings/>

N statewide meeting list (can check off to find LGBT friendly groups)

<http://www.njgaylife.com/index.php?src=directory&view=organizations>  
(look at 12 step programs in north, central, or southern jersey)

Lesbian.com: An international resource by, for, and about lesbians  
<http://www.lesbian.com/>

Lesbian.org: A collection of lesbian-related links and resources  
<http://lesbian.org/links/>

BiMagazine: Online bisexual magazine  
<http://bimagazine.org/>

Bisexual.org: educates the general public, civic and professional organizations on bisexuality and the needs and concerns of bisexually oriented people  
<http://bisexual.org/>

Bisexual Resource Center: provides support to the bisexual community and raises public awareness about bisexuality and bisexual people  
<http://www.biresource.net/>

National Center for Transgender

Equality: A national social justice organization devoted to ending discrimination and violence against transgender people  
<http://transequality.org/>

National Transgender Guide: Postings of online transgender resources  
<http://tgguide.com/>