We Recommend...

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.
Contact: (202) 682-2245 / supportdesk@thedccenter.org / www.thedccenter.org
2000 14th Street NW Suite 105, Washington DC, 20009

CASA RUBY
CASA RUBY is a multicultural center and safe space serving the Latino LGB & Transgender communities of any race, color, or economic background in Washington, DC, MD, and VA. Our mission is to create success stories, particularly among Latino LGB & Trans communities of any race, color or economic background through advocacy, employment, housing assistance, HIV testing, counseling, and social and other services.
Contact: (202) 355-5155 / www.casaruby.org /
2822 Georgia Ave. NW, Washington, DC 20001

Brother Help Thyself
Brother Help Thyself funds and nurtures nonprofit organizations serving the GLBTQ and HIV/AIDS communities in the Metro Baltimore / Washington areas. BHT is a community based foundation that accomplishes its mission by: Dispensing direct and matching grants to non-profit organizations, Acting as a clearinghouse for donated goods and services and Serving as an information resource to our community.
Contact: (202) 347-2246 / info@brotherhelpthyself.org / www.brotherhelpthyself.net
PO Box 77841 Washington, DC 20013

Empoderate
Empoderate is a program part of La Clinica del Pueblo that provides a safe and welcoming space for the LGBTQ community. It offers several services such as access to support services, individual counseling on HIC and substance use prevention, HIV and STI rapid testing, leadership and community involvement activities, health promotion workshops, educational support groups for people living with HIV and recreational events. Spanish speakers preferred.
Contact: Freddy Ferrufino / f.ferrufino@cldp.org / 202-870-6615 or 202-507-4800 / lcpd.org
3166 Mount Pleasant ST. NW Washington, DC 20010

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.
Contact: (202) 842-8679 / (202) 628-9151 / www.victoryfund.org
1133 15th Street NW, Suite 350, Washington, DC 20005
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.
Contact: (202) 347-7780 / info@glSEN.org / www.glSEN.org
1001 Connecticut Ave NW, Suite 206, Washington, DC 20036

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.
Contact: (202) 628-4160 / hrc@hrc.org / www.hrc.org
1640 Rhode Island Ave, NW, Washington DC, 20036

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.
Contact: (202) 670-5547 / www.latinoqlbthistory.org / online application
2000 14th St. NW, Suite 105, Washington DC 20009

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.
Contact: (202) 420-7873 / info@logcabin.org / www.logcabin.org
1090 Vermont Ave. NW Suite 850 Washington, DC 20005

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.
Contact: (202) 319-1552 / www.nbjc.org
1725 I Street NW, Washington, DC 20006

National Center for Transgender Equality (NCTE)
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.
Contact: (202) 903-0112 / www.transequality.org
1400 16th Street NW, Suite 510, Washington DC, 20005

National Gay & Lesbian Chamber of Commerce (NGLCC)
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.
Contact: (202) 234-9181 / info@nglcc.org / www.nglcc.org
1990 K St NW, Washington D.C. 20006
National Gay and Lesbian Task Force (NGLTF)
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.

Contact: (202) 393-5177 / www.thetaskforce.org
1325 Massachusetts Ave. NW, Suite 600, Washington, D.C. 20005

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.

Contact: (866) 571-5428 / info@outforwork.com / www.outforwork.org
1325 Massachusetts Avenue, NW, Suite 700, #702, Washington DC, 20005

Parents, Families, and Friends of Lesbians and Gays (PFLAG) 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.

Contact: (202) 638-3852 / www.pflagdc.org
1701 14th St. NW, Washington, DC 20009

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 LBGT 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.

Contact: (202) 637-5014 / www.prideatwork.org / info@prideatwork.org
815 16th St, NW, Washington, DC 20006

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.

Contact: info@symal.org / www.smyal.org / (202) 546-5940
410 7th Street SE Washington, DC 20003