



PFLAG Fort Worth

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To attend PFLAG Fort Worth events
For Zoom, contact us at 817.382.7353
or at info@pflagfortworth.org
for Dallas PFLAG go to pflagdallas.org



[Click here to see a complete set of slides about Trans History Month from Care at SARC](#)

Transgender History Month

Transgender History Month began in San Francisco, California, and is now spreading throughout the U.S. It was started to “honor the rich history and contributions of transgender history-makers, pioneers, and trailblazers, and affirms the ongoing presence of transgender people ... around the world.” [Read more here](#)

Transgenderhistorymonth.com writes, “Transgender people have always existed!” They are compiling an “evolving, ever-growing timeline of transgender figures and events in history. Please feel free to explore!” [Explore the timeline here](#)



Since the 1920's Trans people have lived in this same area of San Francisco. “Founded by three black trans women in 2017 as Compton’s Transgender Cultural District, The Transgender District is the first legally recognized transgender district in the world.” [Read more here](#)

PFLAG Fort Worth

**Choose the people
who choose YOU!**

No need to be a member.

No cost to attend.

You are not alone!

**Meeting and Support Group
1st Thursday Every Month**

6:45pm Snacks & Social

7:00 Meeting/Support Group

In person and on Zoom

**Celebration Community Church
Fellowship Hall**

908 Pennsylvania, Ft Worth

**Trans Virtual Support Group
Last Sunday Every Month**

3:00-5:00 on Zoom



LET'S TALK

Transgender Support Group
In Partnership with
St. Stephen's Episcopal Church - Hurst
VIRTUAL on Zoom

LAST SUNDAY of Every Month 3-5pm
Talk as much or as little as you want
Interesting speakers/Group Support

Share Our Stories - Share Our Strength

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Call or Email for Link
817-382-7353
info@pflagfortworth.org



CELEBRATION COMMUNITY CHURCH

908 PENNSYLVANIA AVE . FT WORTH . TX

#TRADITIONWITHOUTJUDGMENT

JOIN US FOR WORSHIP
EVERY SUNDAY AT 10AM

www.celebration-community-church.com

CCC Is Hiring Now!

Celebration Community Church is seeking a dedicated, part-time Ministry Assistant & Property Coordinator (20 hours/week, in-person) to provide vital supportive services to our Senior Pastor and property operations. [Read Job Description here](#)

Speaker for PFLAG Fort Worth Meeting on August 6



We are pleased to welcome Eileen Monte as our PFLAG Fort Worth speaker in August. Eileen is a trans woman who writes "from Fort Worth, Texas — currently one of the hardest places in America to be one."

"Her series *The Sins of Our Forefathers* takes on the political machine working to legislate trans people out of public life and the inherited fear it runs on. She is not a historian or a member of the clergy. Just a person of deep thoughts, stubborn convictions, and five kids who keep her honest." [Read more here](#)

#TRANSRIGHTSAREHUMANRIGHTS

[From thewomxnproject.org](http://thewomxnproject.org) [Read more here](#)

Every 1st THURSDAY
PFLAG Fort Worth Meets
Please join us at our
meeting and support
group on the FIRST
THURSDAY of every month.

Perhaps you need us.
We KNOW we NEED you!
We meet in the building behind
Celebration Community Church.
On Thursday, August 6, come
at 6:45 for refreshments. At 7:00
we have a speaker. After that, we divide into
small support groups where we can talk and
listen. You're welcome to talk as much or as
little as you want or not talk at all. You can
listen and discover how much PFLAG loves,
supports, and cares for you. You are not
alone! You don't need to be a member.
There is no cost to attend.



2nd WEDNESDAY of MONTH PFLAG Fort Worth CONFAB

Join us for fun and conversation every 2nd
Wednesday at 6-6:30ish Ruby with the glorious
red hair usually arrives first to save us a table
at Shaws Patio Bar and Grill, at 1051 W.
Magnolia, in Fort Worth, south of downtown.
Parking is free and easy to find. See you soon!



4th MONDAY of MONTH PFLAG Fort Worth Sam House Supper Club

Join your PFLAG friends by bringing a dish
and/or coming to help serve supper to
residents of Samaritan House every 4th
Monday of the month from 5:30 – 6:30 at
929 Hemphill St., Fort Worth 76104. That's
on August 24 this month. Come join us!



LAST SUNDAY of MONTH Trans Support Group Meeting

On Sunday, August 30, the LAST
SUNDAY of the month, our Trans
Support Group meets at 3:00 on Zoom.
To attend, contact us at 817.382.7353
or at info@pflagfortworth.org

LEADING WITH LOVE

No pride for some of us
without liberation
for all of us.

~ Marsha P. Johnson

LEADING WITH LOVE

We declare that
human rights are for
all of us, all the time:
whoever we are and
wherever we are from;
no matter our class,
our opinions,
our sexual orientation.

~ Ban Ki-moon

LEADING WITH LOVE

You never completely
have your rights,
one person, until you
all have your rights.

~ Marsha P. Johnson

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Why Pride Month Matters

Rebecca V., on [substack.com](#), writes, “Learning queer history saved my life and helped me see I wasn’t alone when I didn’t know any other openly LGBTQ+ people. Now I am openly a lesbian, and I research and write about queer history (and occasionally other places).” [Read more of Rebecca’s story here](#) and [Find Rebecca on substack here](#)

PFLAG Fort Worth Members and Friends



Trans Well-Being Research

Wondering what the effect of gender transition is on Trans well-being? Scholarly research from 1991 - mid 2017 provides 8 major findings. One says, “Factors that are predictive of success in the treatment of gender dysphoria include adequate preparation and mental health support prior to treatment, proper follow-up care from knowledgeable providers, consistent family and social support, and high-quality surgical outcomes (when surgery is involved).” [Read more here](#)



Pride Sweets

Haley Popp is owner of Hive Bakery in Flower Mound, Texas. She is an award-winning pastry chef who became famous after criticizing MAGA and selling “distress” cookies. This led to a surge in sales and, supportive followers on social-media. [Read more](#)

Timeline of Trans & Gender-Nonconforming Rights

PrideSource of Ann Arbor, Michigan, recently published 1776-2026: The Moments That Defined Trans Rights in America. The author, Rebecca, writes, “Records of trans people date as far back as 218 C.E. with the Roman Empress Elagabalus. And all through U.S. history, transgender figures can be found: sometimes in the shadows, sometimes at the forefront of social change and always bravely living their lives, often through fear and danger.” [Read more here](#)



Design by Soph Holland. Photo from New York Public Library, The Smithsonian Institute, National Women's History Museum, Transgender Archives Collection screenshot from PBS NewsHour and TIME Magazine

If you know an LGBTQ youth, ages 12-24, who needs a safe, supportive, brave space to thrive **OR** want more information **OR** want to get involved, please email us at contactus@lgbtqsaves.org



Support Our Family & Friends

Did you know, “A quick phone call is one of the most effective ways to make sure your voice is heard”? PFLAG National encourages all of us to advocate for ourselves and our loved-ones by “picking up the phone and calling your lawmaker to share your thoughts on an issue or piece of legislation.” [Read more here](#)

Keeping Families Together

PFLAG works to support families and to keep families together. Cindy Noble, president of the PFLAG Jacksonville, Florida, chapter says, “When we can help keep a family together, that is always the goal. And if we can’t, then we try to be there for that person in every way that we possibly can, while still being there for the family. Because you never know when there’s going to be a door opened for you to try again...No matter how hard we try, if we can’t help that person, it’s a hard moment. It’s a difficult thing to not be able to do that, but we also have the honor and we have the responsibility of showing up as that person’s chosen family if they’ll allow it.” [Read more here](#)

#PFLAGProud

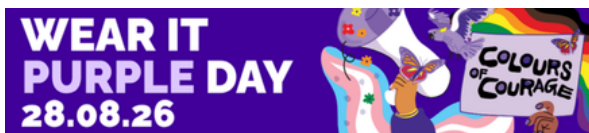
Exploring Reconnection & Healing Rifts from Family Estrangement

Psychologist Brad Brenner, Ph.D., writes, “Reconnecting with estranged family members requires understanding the complex roots of separation, preparing emotionally, and crafting a thoughtful approach to communication. By addressing past hurts constructively, establishing ground rules, and practicing active listening, you can rebuild trust and foster open dialogue. Seeking support from LGBTQ-affirming therapists and utilizing community resources can provide valuable guidance throughout this challenging process. Moving forward with healthy boundaries, maintaining ongoing communication efforts, and celebrating small victories are essential steps in healing rifts and strengthening family bonds.” [Read more here](#)



PFLAG Fort Worth supports LGBTQ SAVES.

“SAVES empowers LGBTQ youth aged 12-24 in Fort Worth by fostering safe and brave spaces for social connection, personal growth and community support. Through in-person and virtual weekly meetings, Pride events and inclusive community dinners, we create a nurturing environment for youth and their families.” [Learn more about SAVES here](#)



WearItPurple.org writes, "There is no one way to celebrate Wear It Purple Day. Whether you are at school, at work, in your local community or celebrating online, every action helps create a safer, more supportive and more inclusive world for LGBTQIA+SB young people. The most important thing is to show up, start conversations and help create spaces where rainbow young people feel seen, supported and celebrated." [Read more here](#) The University of Sydney Library writes, "Originally founded by students in response to global stories of teenagers taking their own lives due to bullying and harassment, Wear it Purple Day has become an international movement of love and support." [Read more here](#)



Marsha P. Johnson

Marsha P. Johnson, a legendary American drag queen, performer, and innovative activist for LGBTQ+ rights, joined in the Stonewall Uprising in New York City. She and her friend, Sylvia Rivera, founded STAR (Street Transvestite Action Revolutionaries) which clothed, fed, housed, and advocated for transgender youth in NYC. She said the "P" in her name stood for "pay it no mind," a saying she used when heckled by adversaries. [Read more here](#) & [Read more here](#) (Picture from Wikipedia.org)



The HELP Center writes, "Access to prevention services in a safe, welcoming space for the local LGBT community. We now provide free PrEP services anywhere in Texas virtually through our TelePrEP program! All our services are completely FREE no matter your income level or whether you are insured or uninsured. We provide free PrEP/PEP services, HIV & Syphilis Testing as well as distributing condoms and lube." [Read more here](#)

PFLAG Poster

Later in this newsletter, there is a poster of our 4 PFLAG Fort Worth monthly events. Please share this poster with others who are interested in PFLAG Fort Worth or who need to know we're here for them. Thank you for caring and supporting us by displaying PFLAG Fort Worth poster!

Important Dates in August

Transgender History Month

08/09 - Gay Uncles Day
08/10 - Transgender Flag Day
08/20 - Southern HIV/AIDS Awareness Day
08/24 - Marsha P. Johnson's Birthday
08/28 - Wear It Purple Day

Gay Uncles (Guncles) Day

Gay Uncles (Guncles) Day is celebrated on the second Sunday in August. NationalToday.com says, "Gay Uncles Day or Guncles Day is used to improve the visibility of L.G.B.T.Q.I.A.+ people and also offer straight or heterosexual people an opportunity to appreciate their gay relatives and the role models they are to the youngest members of the families." [Read more here](#)

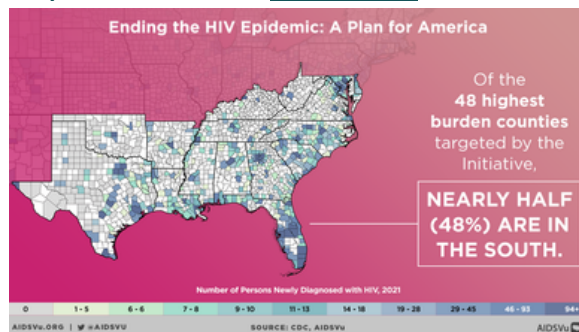


For Gay Uncles Day: 18 Books from Past and Present Celebrating Queer Uncles

Since before 1990, picture books about gay uncles and other gay relatives have been available. Some favorites are shown here and can be read online. [Click here to find more.](#)

SHAAD = Southern HIV/AIDS Awareness Day

Southern HIV/AIDS Awareness Day, observed annually on August 20, was begun by the Southern AIDS Coalition. On this day, they "highlight the disproportionate impact of HIV in the American South and promote localized testing, medical care, and prevention education." [Read more here](#)



[Find more tools and fact sheets about HIV/AIDS here](#)

Looking for a Way to Help?

WHO: PFLAG Fort Worth's Sam House Supper Club
WHAT: Serve Dinner to Sam House residents, bring a dish to donate, or just come to serve.
WHEN: Fourth Mondays, 5:30 - 6:30 pm
WHERE: Samaritan House, 929 Hemphill St, Fort Worth, 76104
WHY: Because it makes a Difference
Interested? [Contact Ruby at 817-382-7353](#)

Westside Unitarian Universalist Church

We Are a Welcoming Congregation

901 Page
Fort Worth, TX
76110



817.924. MYUU (6988)

Sunday Service at 10:30 in person and on Facebook Live



PFLAG

FORT WORTH



1st Thursday

PFLAG Fort Worth Meeting & Support

6:45pm Social+Snacks
7:00pm Meeting/
Support Groups

**Celebration Community
Church - Fellowship Hall
908 Pennsylvania
Fort Worth**

For Zoom info, call or email
817.382.7353
info@pflagfortworth.org

2nd Wednesday

PFLAG Fort Worth CONFAB

Join us at 6-6:30ish
for an evening of fun
and conversation at

**Shaw's Patio Bar & Grill
(at PFLAG table)
1051 W. Magnolia
Fort Worth**

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4th Monday

PFLAG Fort Worth Sam House Supper Club

Join us to serve dinner to residents
of Samaritan House, bring a dish,
or just help serve from 5:30-6:30pm

**Samaritan House
929 Hemphill St.
Fort Worth**

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Last Sunday

PFLAG Fort Worth Trans Support Group

**Virtual on Zoom
3:00pm**



For Zoom info, call or email
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You are not alone! At PFLAG Fort Worth, we have the support and resources you need.

We are parents, family, and friends of LGBTQ+ people and LGBTQ+ people.

Join us to help create a caring and affirming world for LGBTQ+ people and all who love them.

#PFLAGProud #PFLAGProud #PFLAGProud #PFLAGProud #PFLAGProud #PFLAGProud

To Our PFLAG Fort Worth Members and Friends

Membership and/or Donations

To join PFLAG Fort Worth and/or make a donation, please go to www.pflagfortworth.org

Also, there are two ways to interact with PFLAG Fort Worth through PayPal!

To make a donation go to paypal.com/us/fundraiser/charity/2047249

To set up a recurring membership, go to our website, pflagfortworth.org.

Click on the Membership tab on the top, then choose the level of membership you want.

Complete the process through PayPal (if you don't have PayPal, it's free and easy to set up).

The advantage to using PayPal online is you don't have to remember to renew every year!

The PFLAG mission of support, education, and advocacy is as vital as ever. Please continue your support, renew your membership, attend events/meetings, and/or donate to PFLAG Fort Worth so we can fulfill our mission. Despite a growing acceptance of diversity in our society we are all too aware of hostility and worse toward LGBTQ persons. Please help PFLAG keep working toward the society we want; where people are informed, rights are protected, and families find care and understanding.

Some ways we served our mission in 2024-2025:

- Providing a monthly speaker and support group, in person and virtually on Zoom
- Providing a monthly dinner for Fort Worth Samaritan House residents
- Making Christmas stocking for Samaritan House children, providing money for Halloween costumes, and tutoring residents
- Proudly marching in the Dallas Pride parade and attending Pride events
- Staffing a booth at the Fort Worth Pride Festival and Picnic events as well as other area events
- Sponsored Badge of Pride exhibit
- Donated scholarships to LGBTQ SAVES, Camp Haven, TRANSportation Network.

- Sharing our mission of advocacy, support, and education with businesses, universities, federal agencies, etc.
- Hosting a monthly virtual trans Support Group on Zoom with partner St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, Hurst, TX
- Sent an officer to the PFLAG National Conference

Goals for October 2025 - September 2026:

- Continue to offer scholarships to graduating seniors of LGBTQ SAVES, etc.
- Develop ways to become more visible to those who need us and don't know we are here
- Send an officer to the PFLAG National Conference
- Continue advocating for the LGBTQ community with businesses, educators, and families

Everything we undertake has a financial outlay for materials, space, publicity, fees, insurance, printing, etc., and, proudly, scholarship awards. We are making a difference and **need you with us**. Please help PFLAG Fort Worth move equality forward during the coming year with your financial generosity, time, talent, presence at events, etc. Commit to our mission of support, education, and advocacy. Attend our events to connect with us!



PFLAG FORT WORTH, TEXAS

PFLAG Fort Worth promotes the health and well-being of LGBTQ people and 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.