



SpeakOUT's Mission

SpeakOUT is a community of speakers working to create a world free of homo-bi-transphobia and other forms of prejudice by telling the truths of our lives. We do this by:

- conducting educational programs about lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, questioning, intersex, asexual and allies lives and issues;
- training individuals and organizations to use public speaking as a means of creating positive cultural change;
- sharing our lives and experiences publicly in order to support those struggling with sexuality and gender identity; and
- educating within the communities we represent about issues that divide us.

We engage audiences at middle schools, high schools, colleges, universities, churches, synagogues, organizations, agencies and workplaces in honest dialogue and invite any questions that may challenge harmful stereotypes and misconceptions with our motto, "Ask Us Anything." We welcome allies!

Community Resources: Boston & New England

Bisexual Resource Center: www.biresource.org

The BRC is the oldest national bisexual organization in the U.S that advocates for bisexual visibility and raises awareness about bisexuality throughout the LGBTQ+ and straight communities. The BRC sponsors a variety of support and social groups for the Boston bi+ community.

Boston Pride; www.bostonpride.org

Boston Pride produces events and activities such as to achieve inclusivity, equality, respect, and awareness in Greater Boston and beyond. Organizes Boston Pride, Black Pride, and Latinx Pride activities.

Camp Aranu'tiq; www.camparanutiq.org

Camp Aranu'tiq builds confidence, resilience, and community for transgender & gender-variant youth and their families through camp experiences.

Fenway Community Health: www.fenwayhealth.org

Fenway Community Health is a community-based health center that strives to enhance the well-being of the LGBTQIA+ community and all people in our neighborhoods and beyond through access to the highest quality health care, education, research and advocacy.

GLAD: www.glad.org

Gay & Lesbian Advocates & Defenders (GLAD) is New England's leading legal rights organization dedicated to ending discrimination based on sexual orientation, HIV status and gender identity and expression.

Massachusetts Transgender Political Coalition: www.masstpc.org

The Massachusetts Transgender Political Coalition (MTPC) is dedicated to ending discrimination on the basis of gender identity and gender expression. MTPC educates the

public, lobby state and local government, encourage political activism, and empower community members through collective action.



MassEquality: www.massequality.org

MassEquality is the leading statewide grassroots advocacy organization working to ensure that everyone across Massachusetts can thrive from cradle to grave without discrimination and oppression based on sexual orientation, gender identity, or gender expression.

The Network/La Red: www.tnlr.org

The Network/La Red is a survivor-led, social justice organization that works to end partner abuse in lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, BDSM, polyamorous, and queer communities. Rooted in anti-oppression principles, their work aims to create a world where all people are free from oppression. They strengthen our communities through organizing, education, and the provision of support services.

QAPA: Queer Asian Pacific-Islander Alliance: www.qapa.org

QAPA is committed to providing a supportive social, political, and educational environment for lesbian, gay, bisexual, trans, and questioning people of Asian and Pacific Islander heritage in the Boston and New England area.

Youth Resources:

PFLAG: www.pflag.org/education/schools

Provides resources for LGBTQIA youth and their families and friends.

Boston Alliance of Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgender & Queer Youth: www.bagly.org

BAGLY provides weekly and monthly social activities and special events for people ages 22 and under. These activities provide an opportunity for youth to socialize, have fun and develop a sense of personal and community identity. BAGLY sponsors a Halloween Dance, Winter Ball, Youth Pride in May, and the world's first and largest LGBTQ Prom. BAGLY also has HIV, STD, drug and alcohol education and prevention programs in place. Also helps to foster other alliance offices throughout Massachusetts with the AGLY network, which includes the North Shore, MetroWest area, Brockton, Cape Cod, Central and Western Massachusetts groups.

GLSEN (The Gay, Lesbian & Straight Education Network): www.glsen.org

The Gay, Lesbian & Straight Education Network strives to assure that each member of every school community is valued and respected regardless of sexual orientation or gender identity/expression. The website includes contacts for local chapters and information about starting GSAs (Gay Straight Alliances) in schools.

OUT MetroWest: www.outmetrowest.org

The mission of OUT MetroWest is to enrich the LGBTQ community in MetroWest Boston and the larger world through programming, education, and advocacy. Has support and social groups, and sponsors events for youth and their families.