

**SOMERVILLE AND CAMBRIDGE RESOURCE GUIDE FOR
LESBIAN, GAY, BISEXUAL, AND TRANSGENDERED (LGBT) ELDERS**

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This guide contains the following resources that serve lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgendered (LGBT) elders and their families by providing opportunities to socialize with other LGBT elders, and to connect with the wide network of resources that are available in the community.

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ELDER SERVICES

Community Servings617-445-7777
18 Marbury Terrace, Jamaica Plain, MA 02130 / www.servings.org
Provides free home-delivered meals throughout eastern Massachusetts to people homebound with HIV/AIDS and other acute life-threatening illnesses, who are unable to shop or cook for themselves.

LGBT Senior Meals Programs

Café Emmanuel, 15 Newbury Street, Boston, MA 02116617-477-6610
Weekly luncheon for LGBT seniors and their friends every Thursday from 11:00 - 1:00 pm. Features an entertainment program including recitals from the New England Conservatory and the Boston Conservatory as well as a variety of guest speakers. Sponsored by Ethos.

Out To Brunch, Roslindale House, 120 Poplar St. Roslindale, MA 02131617-522-6700 x306
Monthly brunch and social for older lesbian, bi and trans women and their friends. The brunch is held on the first Saturday of every month, 11:00 – 1:00 pm, and features a presentation, discussion or entertainment. Sponsored by Ethos and the LGBT Aging Project. To RSVP, send an email to outtobrunch@gmail.com

Cadbury Café, 66 Sherman St., Cambridge, MA 02140617-628-2601 x605
Weekly luncheon for LGBT seniors and their friends. The supper is held on the fourth Wednesday of every month, at Cadbury Commons assisted living, 6 – 8pm, and features a presentation, discussion or entertainment. Sponsored by Cadbury Commons, Somerville-Cambridge Elder Services, Cambridge Council on Aging, the LGBT Aging Project. To RSVP or for more information, call the number above or send an email to lgbtcafe@eldercare.org.

Monthly Brunch, All Souls Unitarian Church, 196 Elm Street, Braintree, MA.....617-522-6700 x306
Monthly brunch and social for LGBT seniors and their friends. The brunch is held on the last Saturday of every month, 10 - 12pm, and features a presentation, discussion or entertainment. Sponsored by South Shore Elder Services. RSVP: Maryanne Ryan 781-848-3939 x 325 or email lgbtseniors@sselder.org for more information.

Somerville Cambridge Elder Services (SCES)617-628-2601
61 Medford Street, Somerville, MA 02143 / www.eldercare.org
Helps older adults remain safe and independent in their own homes by providing a wide range of supportive services. Offers resources, information, advice, and services to seniors, caregivers and disabled people in the community. SCES has worked with the LGBT Aging Project and is a welcoming and inclusive service provider.

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NURSING CARE

Elsie Frank House at the Leonard Florence Center for Living.....617-887-0001
165 Captain's Row, Chelsea, MA 02150 / www.leonardflorencecenter.org
Ten residents live in the ten room condo-style house, each with their own private bedroom and bathroom, with shared living and dining areas. The main floor of the house offers a café, bakery, chapel, deli, day spa, and peace garden.

HEALTH

AIDS Action Committee.....617-437-6200
294 Washington Street, Boston MA / www.aac.org
Community-based health organization whose mission is to stop the HIV/AIDS epidemic by preventing new infections and optimizing the health of those already infected. Provides services, education, advocacy and prevention.

Association of Gay and Lesbian Psychiatrists (AGLP).....215-222-2800
4514 Chester Avenue, Philadelphia, PA 19143 / www.aglp.org
Educates and advocates on LGBT mental health issues and provides referrals to LGBT-friendly providers.

Boston Living Center.....617-236-1012
29 Stanhope Street, Boston, MA 02116 / www.bostonlivingcenter.org
Community drop-in center for people living with HIV/AIDS. Offers peer support, congregate meals, arts, educational seminars, social activities, and referrals to alternate health care.

Cambridge Cares About AIDS617-661-3040
17 Sellers Street, Cambridge, MA 02139 / www.ccaa.org
Provides accessible prevention, education, advocacy, and support services for those impacted by HIV/AIDS.

Fenway Community Health Center.....617-267-0900
1340 Boylston Street, Boston, MA 02215 / www.fenwayhealth.org
Community Health Center serving the needs of the LGBT community. Offers mental health services, ongoing support groups, and medical services.

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LGBT Health Channel

www.lgbthealthchannel.com

Provides information about health and wellness issues affecting the lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender communities. Advisors are based at Fenway Community Health Center.

Multicultural AIDS Coalition.....617-442-1622

31 Heath Street, Jamaica Plain, MA 02130 / www.mac-boston.org

The oldest minority AIDS service organization in New England. Provides a range of programs to fight HIV and AIDS.

National Association on HIV Over Fifty (NAHOF)617-233-7107

23 Miner Street, Boston MA 02215 / www.HIVoverFifty.org

Promoting availability of a full range of educational, prevention, service and health care programs for people 50+ affected by HIV.

The Triangle Program at Arbor-HRI Hospital.....800-222-2237

227 Babcock Street, Brookline, MA 02446 / www.arbourhealth.com

Partial hospitalization program that comprehensively responds to the complex mental health needs of GLBT people. Provides treatment for GLBT individuals who are dealing with co-occurring mental health issues, including trauma and/or substance disorders.

SUPPORT GROUPS

Alcoholics Anonymous617-426-9444

www.geocities.com/dallasuapace/aa.html

Listing of gay-friendly AA meetings in Boston and Cambridge.

Fenway Community Health Center.....617-267-0900

1340 Boylston Street, Boston, MA 02215

www.fenwayhealth.org

Para Información en Español, 617-927-6460

Gay & Lesbian Helpline, 617-267-9001 / 888-340-4528

Community Health Center serving the needs of LGBT community. Offers mental health services, ongoing support groups, and medical services. Call the main number or visit website for other support groups of interest.

LGBT Seniors Support & Discussion Group617-927-6202

Ongoing group for LGBT seniors 60+ to discuss issues associated with aging.

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Partners of Lesbians with Cancer **Liz Coolidge, 617-927-6243**
Ongoing support group that offers a space for self-care for those who are dealing with the impact of their partner's illness.

Gay Men's Domestic Violence Project (GMDVP)..... **800-832-1901 / 617-354-6506**
PMB 131, 955 Massachusetts Avenue, Cambridge, MA 02139 / www.gmdvp.org
Offers shelter, guidance and resources to allow gay, bisexual, and transgendered men in crisis to remove themselves from violent situations and relationships.

HIV Support Group for Men 50+..... **Chuck McCorkle, LICSW, 617-726-5181**
Massachusetts General Hospital (MGH), 55 Fruit Street, Boston, MA 02114
Support group for HIV+ gay and bisexual men. Transgendered men are welcome. This group is for patients of MGH or other affiliates of the Partners Healthcare System. Meets two Fridays per month at 11am.

K Street **508-450-8695**
Office: 74 Kilmarnock Street, Boston, MA 02215 / www.k-street.com
Mail: K-Street Facility Committee, P.O. Box 230358, Boston, MA 02123
Safe meeting space for members and friends of the gay, lesbian, bisexual & transgendered community who are seeking recovery from addictions, abuse and/or discrimination.

LGBT Bereavement Support Group **Beth Prullage, LICSW, (413) 695-2236**
A free six-week support group for LGBT individuals who have experienced the loss of a loved one. Meets once a week for six weeks, 6-7:30pm. Call to find out when next session begins.

LGBT Caregiver Support Group **Joanne Peskowitz, LICSW, 617-271-4182**
ETHOS, 555 Amory Street, Jamaica Plain, MA 02130
Free monthly group that welcomes new members to talk about the impact of providing care for a partner, parent, sibling, spouse or friend. Sponsored by the Caregiver Alliance of Suffolk County and the LGBT Aging Project. Meets 1st Monday of every month, 6-7:30 pm.

The Network/La Red **617-695-0877**
P.O. Box 6011, Boston, MA 02114 / www.thenetworkla-red.org
Ending abuse in lesbian, bisexual women's and transgendered communities. Free support groups, confidential information, support on partner abuse, and emergency shelter.

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New England Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual & Transgender Veterans, Inc617-628-2810
Leo Dorrington, President, MSG, U.S. Army, Retired (Gulf War Veteran)
JFK Station, P.O. Box 6599, Boston, MA 02114 / www.newengland-glbvets.com
Support organization for LGBT and heterosexual active duty, reserve and veteran members of the United States Armed Forces, their families, friends and supporters.

Greater Boston Parents, Families, and Friends of Lesbians and Gays (PFLAG).....781-891-5966
85 River Street, Suite 5A, Waltham, MA 02453 / www.pflag.org 866-427-3524
Helping to change attitudes and create an environment of understanding toward LGBT community through support, education and advocacy.

SOCIAL GROUPS

Bisexual Resource Center (BRC)617-424-9595
P.O. Box 1026, Boston, MA 02117 / www.biresource.org
An international organization providing education about and support for bisexual and progressive issues.

Boston Gay Men's Chorus617-542-7464
Office: 95 Berkeley Street, Suite 410, Boston, MA 02116 / www.bgmcc.org
Mail: P.O. Box 1390, Boston, MA 02117
One of New England's largest community-based choruses. Holds auditions twice a year.

Boston Prime Timers.....617-447-2344
566 Columbus Avenue, Boston, MA 02118 / www.bostonprimetimers.org
Boston-area social network of mature gay and bisexual men. Meets one Saturday each month.

Cambridge Women's Center617-354-8807
46 Pleasant Street, Cambridge, MA 02139 / www.cambridgewomenscenter.org
Resources, info, networking, referrals, social & support groups, and individual counseling. Offers several support groups, including a Coming Out Discussion Group for women of all ages.

COMPASS.....781-899-2212
www.geocities.com/ftmcompass
New England area female-to-male (FTM) trans support, information, and social group for people assigned female at birth who feel that is not an accurate or complete description of their gender.

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Girlfriends: Lesbians and Bisexual Women of Color.....617-876-4210, x60
929 Massachusetts Avenue, Cambridge, MA 02139 / gfrnds@aol.com

Keshet.....617-524-9227
284 Amory Street, Jamaica Plain, MA 02130 / www.boston-keshet.org
Inclusive community for LGBT Jews in Greater Boston.

Lesbians Available for Fun and Networking (LAFFAN)
P.O. Box 324, Lynnfield, MA 01940 / www.geocities.com/laffan1999
Boston-area social organization offering a wide variety of social events.

Old Lesbians Organizing for Change (OLOC)
P.O. Box 5853, Athens, OH 45701 / www.oloc.org
National network of lesbians 60+ confronting ageism through education and public discourse.

Ova4D
<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/Ova4D>
Boston-area social group for lesbians & bisexual women over 40.

Stonewall Communities Lifelong Learning Institute (LLI).....617-369-9090
Office: 434 Mass. Ave., Suite 201, Boston, MA 02118 / www.stonewallcommunities.com
Mail: P.O. Box 990035, Prudential Center, Boston, MA 02199
Community-building and learning, by and for older lesbians and gay men and their allies. Offers study groups, social events, day trips and workshops on diverse topics.

Tiffany Club of New England781-891-9325
P.O. Box 540071, Waltham, MA 02454 / www.tcne.org
A social and support club for transgendered people in the New England region.

Voices Rising617-959-5377
P.O. Box 300476, Jamaica Plain, MA 02130 / www.voicesrising.org
Women's chorus, lesbian-identified.

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FAITH COMMUNITIES

- Am Tikva**617-232-5543
P.O. Box 1268, Brookline, MA 02446 / www.amtikva.org
Boston-area community of LGBT Jews.
- College Avenue United Methodist Church**.....617-776-4172
14 Chapel Street, Somerville, MA 02144 / www.collegeaveumc.org
- Congregation Eitz Chayim**617-497-7626
136 Magazine Street, Cambridge, MA 02139 / www.eitz.org
- Dignity/Boston (Catholic)**.....617-421-1915
Office: Boston Living Center, 29 Stanhope St., Boston, MA 02116 / www.dignityboston.org
Mail: P.O. Box 408, Boston, MA 02117
Weekly Liturgy: Sundays at 5:30 p.m., St. John the Evangelist Church, 35 Bowdoin St., Boston.
- First Congregational Church of Cambridge, United Church of Christ**617-547-2724
11 Garden Street, Cambridge, MA 02138 / www.firstchurchcambridge.org
- First Congregational Church of Somerville, United Church of Christ**.....617-625-6485
89 College Avenue, Somerville, MA 02144 / www.firstchurchsomerville.org
- First Parish Cambridge, Unitarian Universalists**.....617-876-7772
3 Church Street, Cambridge, MA 02138 / www.uua.org
- Memorial Church (United Ministries of Harvard University)**617-495-5508
1 Harvard Yard, Cambridge, MA 02138 / www.memorialchurch.harvard.edu
- Old Cambridge Baptist Church**.....617-864-9275
1151 Massachusetts Avenue, Cambridge, MA 02138 / www.oldcambridgebaptist.org
A progressive, liberal American Baptist Congregation, with a lesbian and gay group.
- Temple Beth Shalom**617-864-6388
8 Tremont Street, Cambridge, MA 02319 / www.tremontstreetshul.org

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LEGAL SERVICES

Gay & Lesbian Advocates and Defenders (GLAD).....617-426-1350
30 Winter Street, Suite 800, Boston, MA 02108 / www.glad.org
Legal rights organization dedicated to ending discrimination based on sexual orientation, HIV status, and gender identity and expression. Provides litigation, advocacy and education. Operates legal information and referral hotline between 1:30 and 4:30 Mon-Fri.

Greater Boston Legal Services (GBLS)
www.gbbs.org
Main Office: 197 Friend Street, Boston, MA 02114.....617-371-1234
Cambridge/Somerville Legal Services (CASLS)617-603-2700
60 Gore Street, Suite 203, Cambridge, MA 02141
Provides free civil legal advice and services through several different programs: Senior Citizens Law Project, Medicare Advocacy Project, LGBT Elder Legal Rights Project.

LGBT Domestic Violence Attorney Program.....800-832-1901
Family Justice Center, 989 Comm Ave, Boston, MA 02215 / www.gmdvp.org
Provides legal services to LGBT victims of domestic violence.

ADVOCACY

American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU).....617-482-3170
211 Congress Street, Boston, MA 02110 / www.aclu.org
Works to defend and preserve individual rights and liberties, including First Amendment rights, equal protection, due process, privacy rights, and the rights of society's most vulnerable.

Cambridge GLBT Commission617-349-4329
795 Massachusetts Ave, Cambridge, MA 02139 / www.cambridgema.gov/glb/
The GLBT Commission meets monthly to work on LGBT issues in the city, and it open to the public.

The History Project.....617-641-8609
29 Stanhope Street, Boston, MA, 02116 / www.historyproject.org
Documenting Boston's gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender history.

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Human Rights Campaign (HRC)202-628-4160
1640 Rhode Island Ave., N.W., Washington, D.C. 20036-3278 / www.hrc.org
Civil rights organization working to achieve lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender equality.

The LGBT Aging Issues Network (LAIN).....415-974-9641
833 Market Street, Suite 511, San Francisco, CA 94103 / www.asaging.org/LAIN
A constituent group of the American Society on Aging (ASA). Works to raise awareness about the concerns of LGBT elders. Provides directory of resources on LGBT aging, articles in group newsletter, and information on events & activities.

LGBT Aging Project.....617-522-1292
555 Amory Street, Jamaica Plain, MA 02130 / www.lgbtagingproject.org
Works to ensure that lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgendered elders have equal access to the life-prolonging benefits, protections, services, and institutions that their heterosexual neighbors take for granted.

Mass Equality617-878-2300
11 Beacon Street, Suite 1125, Boston, MA 02108 / www.massequality.org
Works to protect, promote and defend marriage equality and to advance lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender rights.

Massachusetts GLBT Political Caucus.....617-248-0776
PO Box 246, State House, Boston, MA 02133 / www.mglpc.org
Lobbying organization on Beacon Hill working for lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender equal rights.

National Gay and Lesbian Task Force (NGLTF)
Local Office: 1151 Mass. Ave., Cambridge, MA 02138.....617-492-6393
National Office: 1325 Mass. Ave. NW, Suite 600, Washington, DC 20005.....202-393-5177
www.thetaskforce.org/issues/aging
Civil rights and advocacy organization working to build the grassroots political strength of the LGBT community by training state and local activists and leaders, working to strengthen the infrastructure of state and local allies, and organizing broad-based campaigns to build public support for complete equality for LGBT people.

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Services and Advocacy for GLBT Elders (SAGE).....212-741-2247
305 7th Avenue, 6th Floor, New York, NY 10001 / www.sageusa.org
Non-profit agency dedicated to serving lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender older people. Provides programs and services for the aging LGBT community, technical assistance and training to expand opportunities for LGBT older people across the country, and provides a national voice on LGBT aging issues.

Somerville Commission for the LGBT Community.....617-625-6600 x2404
Raffi Freedman-Gurspan, LGBT Liason
City Hall Annex, 50 Evergreen Avenue, Somerville, MA 02145
www.somervillema.gov/Division.cfm?orgunit=GLBT
Contact with suggestions, concerns or complaints regarding city programs, policies and procedures.

Transgender American Veterans Association (TAVA)718-849-5665
PO Box 4513, Akron, OH 44310 / www.tavausa.org
Works to ensure that transgender veterans receive appropriate care for medical conditions. Educates the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) and the Department of Defense (DoD) on issues regarding fair and equal treatment of transgender and transsexual individuals.

NEWSPAPERS & ONLINE NEWS

Bay Windows.....617-266-6670
46 Plympton Street Boston, MA 02118
subscriptions@baywindows.com www.baywindows.com

Golden Rainbow Times978-807-8184
P.O. Box 240, Tewksbury, MA 01876
www.goldenrainbowtimesnewspaper.com

In Newsweekly.....617-426-8246
450 Harrison Avenue, Suite 414, Boston, MA 02118
www.innewsweekly.com

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