

LGBTQIA Resources - Lancaster County, Pennsylvania

<p>Lancaster County, Pennsylvania</p>	 The seal of Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, is a heart-shaped emblem. The heart's border is red and contains the text "COUNTY OF LANCASTER, PENNSYLVANIA" in white. Inside the heart, there is a blue sky with a white cloud, a green field with a wooden wagon, and a red plow.
<p><u>LGBT Community Center Coalition of Central PA</u> The Lesbian Gay Bisexual Transgender (LGBT) Community Center Coalition is a volunteer-led effort to create a regionally representative community center that is both a location and a unifying point for Central Pennsylvania's large, diverse and multi-county LGBT population. It is located in Harrisburg, PA.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Website: www.centralpalgbtcenter.org• Email: info@centralpalgbtcenter.org
<p><u>Common Roads</u> Common Roads, program arm of the LGBT Community Center Coalition of Central Pennsylvania, provides education, advocacy, and programming to empower lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and questioning (LGBTQ) youth throughout the Central Pennsylvania region.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Website: www.centralpalgbtcenter.org/common-roads/about

<p><u>Embrace Lancaster</u> We envision multiple faith communities where Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transsexual, Queer, Questioning and Allied people are fully included and welcomed. Our mission is to demonstrate that people of faith embrace, accept and welcome LGBTQA persons. Also to assist individuals, faith communities, and organizations in their growth to affirm and welcome lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and other queer and questioning folk.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Website: www.embracelancasterpa.org
<p><u>PFLAG (Parents, Friends, and Families of Lesbians and Gays)</u> An international organization with many chapters that provide support to GLB individuals and family members. Some chapters have monthly meetings, speakers' bureaus, or annual conferences.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Organization Website: http://www.community.pflag.org • <u>PFLAG Lancaster:</u> PO Box 4222, Lancaster, PA 17601, <u>Phone:</u> (717) 283-4490 • <u>PFLAG York:</u> Unitarian Universalist Congregation of York, 925 South George Street, York, PA 17403, <u>Phone:</u> (717) 854-6354 • <u>PFLAG Harrisburg/Central Pennsylvania:</u> PO Box 812, Mechanicsburg, PA 17055, <u>Phone:</u> (717) 728-8800
<p><u>Silent Witness Peacekeepers Alliance</u> This organization of gay and straight allies provides peacekeepers for LGBTQIA events all over Central PA and beyond. Their purpose is to help the LGBTQIA community have safe and peaceful events by preventing confrontations between protesters and those who wish to participate. They operate at several mid-state Pride festivals, including Lancaster, Harrisburg, Reading, Allentown, and Wilkes-Barre.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Website: www.SilentWitnessPA.org • Alanna Berger, Executive Director, director@SilentWitnessPA.org • Dr. Blaise Liffick, Operations Director, operations@SilentWitnessPA.org

<p><u>TransCentralPA</u> TransCentralPA is committed to providing advocacy and caring support for transgender individuals, their significant others, families, friends and allies. TransCentralPA also provides gender education and information to businesses, organizations, educational institutions and governmental agencies.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Joanne Carroll, President • Website: www.transcentralpa.org
<p><u>Pride Festivals</u> There are a number of pride festivals held in the region each summer</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lancaster Pride Festival: www.lancasterpride.com • Reading Pride Celebration: www.readingpridecelebration.com • Pride of the Greater Lehigh Valley (Allentown): www.prideglv.org • Northeast PA Pridefest (Wilkes-Barre): www.gaynepa.com/pridefest • PrideFest of Central PA (Harrisburg): www.prideofcentralpa.org
<p><u>First Reformed United Church of Christ</u> No matter who you are, no matter where you are on life's journey, you are welcome at First Reformed church! Although we're one of Lancaster city's first and oldest churches (1736), our Christian community has evolved toward radical inclusivity: families and individuals; well-established and just starting out; working and retired; gay and straight.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Website: www.firstreformedlancaster.org
<p><u>Grace United Church of Christ</u> An open and affirming church for more than a decade, this church is socially progressive and welcoming to all.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Website: graceucc.yolasite.com

Unitarian Universalist Church of Lancaster

This local church is designated as a welcoming congregation, an official designation within the Unitarian Universalist denomination of those congregations that are intentionally welcoming of those of all sexual and gender orientations.

- Phone: (717) 393-1733
- Website: www.uuclonline.org

Vision of Hope Metropolitan Community Church

Vision of Hope MCC is a member of the denomination known as the Universal Fellowship of Metropolitan Community Churches, founded in October of 1968. Since then, MCC has grown into the world's largest Evangelical Christian faith group providing spiritual support to lesbians, gays, bisexuals and transgender persons along with their allies.

- Website: www.visionofhopemcc.com/