RESOURCES FOR SPANISH-SPEAKING LGBT PEOPLE



Publications, Resources, Transgender Resources in Spanish, HIV/AIDS Resources for Latino Populations, Latino Organizations for Equality, Immigration Law and Policy

Publications:

Guia de Recursos Para Salir del Closet set

("Resource Guide to Coming Out")

(Resource Guide in Spanish)

Human Rights Campaign's coming-out guide for Spanish speakers is aimed at easing the process and providing guidance.

http://shop.hrc.org/publications/guia-de-recursos-para-salir-del-closet-setdownloadable.html

Salir del Clóset: Vivir auténticamente siendo latinx y LGBTQ

("Resource Guide to Coming Out")

(Resource Guide in Spanish)

This publication explores the experiences of many Latinos LGBTQ face when coming out. http://publications.unidosus.org/handle/123456789/1891

Conversando con latinos sobre temas y personas gays

("Talking About LGBT Equality with Latinos & Hispanics")

(Resource Guide in English and Spanish)

Publication focuses on four key shared values - family, respect, faith, and opposition to discrimination - that form the foundation of effective conversations with Latino audiences. https://www.lgbtmap.org/talking-about-lgbt-equality-with-latinos-and-hispanics

Resources:

Language and Coming Out Issues for Latinas and Latinos

(Website in English)

A resource link by the HRC that describes challenges LGBT Latinas/os face when speaking the Spanish-language. For example, the Spanish-language itself is limited for discussion of sexual orientation or gender identity issues, and there's a lack of LGBT resources that are printed in Spanish.

Direct link to information on HRC website:

https://www.hrc.org/resources/language-and-coming-out-issues-for-latinas-and-latinos

HONOR Fund - Latina/o LGBT Advocacy, Leadership & Education

(Website in English and Spanish)

Honor Fund is a non-profit organization dedicated to advancing the rights and freedoms of the Latino LGBT community through leadership development, advocacy and public education. The HONOR Fund name is rooted in its founding organization HONOR PAC (Political Action Committee).

http://www.honorfund.org/

HONOR PAC - Empowering Latina/o LGBT Communities

(Website in English)

HONOR PAC advocates for the political empowerment of Latina/o LGBT communities. The organization supports candidates and ballot propositions that advance progressive policies and serve the unique needs and interests of Latina/o LGBT communities. http://www.honorpac.org/

Immigration Equality

(Website in English and Spanish)

Immigration Equality is a national organization fighting for equality under U.S. immigration law for lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and HIV-positive individuals. The organizations website provides immigrants rights, LGBT policy advocacy, and informational resources.

http://www.immigrationequality.org/

GLAAD Organization Website:

(Website in English)

GLAAD has worked with news, entertainment and social media to bring culturechanging stories of LGBT people into millions of homes and workplaces every day. The Spanishlanguage Media shares LGBT stories that impact Spanish-speaking communities, and analysis of the media that serves those communities.

Direct link to GLAAD's Spanish-speaking Media:

http://www.glaad.org/issues/spanish-language-media

CLAM - Centro Latino-Americano em Sexualidade e direitos humanos

(Website in English, Spanish, and Portuguese)

The main purpose of the Latin American Center on Sexuality and Human Rights is to produce, organize, and disseminate knowledge about sexuality from a human rights perspectives, in order to help fight gender inequality and to contribute to the struggle against the discrimination of sexual minorities in the region. The Center brings scholars, activists and other partners from Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Mexico, and Peru, to encourage public debate on sexuality and sexual rights.

Direct link to CLAM website:

http://www.clam.org.br/

GSA Network

(Website in English and Spanish)

A Gay-Straight Alliance (GSA) Network that supports young people in starting, strengthening, and sustaining GSAs and builds the capacity of GSAs to create safe environments in schools for students to support each other and learn about homophobia, transphobia, and other oppressions. The GSA Network educates the school community about homophobia, transphobia, gender identity, and sexual orientation issues, and fight discrimination, harassment, and violence in schools.

Direct link to GSA Network's Resources in Spanish:

https://www.gsanetwork.org/resources/recursos-en-español

Trans* Resources in Spanish

Trans Youth Family Allies

(Website in English and Spanish)

Trans Youth Family Allies empowers children and families by partnering with educators, service providers and communities, to develop supportive environments in which gender may be expressed and respected.

http://www.imatyfa.org

Direct link to Spanish-speaking LGBT Terminology sheet: (Resource in Spanish) http://www.imatyfa.org/espanol.html

HIV/AIDS Resources for Latino Populations

AltaMed Health Services Corporation

(Website in English and Spanish)

AltaMed Health Services provides resources for HIV/AIDS services and health services. The corporation mission is to eliminate disparities in health care access and outcomes by providing superior quality health and human services through an integrated world-class delivery system for Latino, multiethnic and underserved communities in Southern California.

http://www.altamed.org/

BIENESTAR

(Website in English and Spanish)

BIENESTAR is unique peer-based social service organization dedicated to positively impacting the health and well being of the underserved Latino community in Southern California. Key to BIENESTAR's success is health education and awareness about HIV/AIDS, substance abuse and drug prevention. BIENESTAR uses a culturally intuitive peer-based approach, combined with community outreach, to address health and societal issue while promoting awareness and social justice. Through local, statewide and national advocacy, BIENESTAR serves the community at large by shedding light on Latino issues, cultivating community participation and building awareness of funding needs, social issues and policy change.

http://www.bienestar.org/

JWCH Institute, Inc.

(Website in English)

JWCH Institute Inc. is a private non-profit health agency in Los Angeles County. The agency's current mission is to improve the health and wellness of under-served segments of the population of LA County through the direct provision or coordination of health care, health education services and research. The mission is being accomplished through a variety of programs and HIV/AIDS Services.

http://www.jwchinstitute.org/

The Latino Commission on AIDS

Through its extensive network of partner organizations, the Commission works to mobilize an effective community response to address the impact of HIV/AIDS, Hepatitis & STIs in communities nationwide. The Commission provides five services: health education, HIV prevention, capacity building, advocacy, and health behavioral research. All services are offered in Spanish by a culturally diverse bilingual staff of health, education and business professionals.

https://latinoaids.org/

The Wall - Las Memorias Project

(Website in English and Spanish)

The Wall - Las Memorias Project is dedicated to promoting wellness and preventing illness among Latino populations affected by HIV/AIDS by using the inspiration of the AIDS Monument as a catalyst for social change.

http://www.thewalllasmemorias.org/

Latino Organizations for Equality

LA Latino Equality Alliance

(Website in English)

The Latino Equality Alliance (LEA) is a broad-based coalition made up for organizations serving LGBT Latino populations, ally organization and individuals deeply rooted in both the LGBT and Latino communities. LEA is active is promoting community activism and awareness throughout Los Angeles County.

http://www.latinoequalityalliance.com/

Voces de Orgullo

(Website in Spanish)

An organization designed to build inclusively and community between LGBT Latinas/os and their families. The organization does this by providing community services and social support for LGBT Latinas/os and their families.

http://www.vocesdeorgullo.net

Coalition for Humane Immigrant Rights of Los Angeles

(Website in English)

The Coalition for Humane Immigrant Rights of Los Angeles (CHIRLA) was formed in 1986 to advance the human and civil rights of immigrants and refugees in Los Angeles; promote harmonious multi-ethnic and multi-racial human relations; and through coalition-building, advocacy, community education and organizing, empower immigrants and their allies to build a more just society. Provides policy advocacy, community education and empowerment to diverse communities.

http://www.chirla.org/

Instituto de Educación Popular del Sur de California

(Website in English)

The organization's mission is to create a more humane and democratic society by responding to the needs and problems of disenfranchised people through leadership development and educational programs based on popular education methodology. Specifically their goal is to organize and educate immigrants concerned with solving problems in their own communities. The organization does this by providing policy advocacy, community education and empowerment, and youth leadership training. http://www.idepsca.org/

Mobilize the Immigrant Vote, California

(Website in English)

Mobilize the Immigrant Vote advocates for an approach to electoral organizing that emphasizes work as one component of a larger movement for social and economic justice. The organization works to catalyze and strengthen diverse multi-ethnic alliances, increase policy advocacy, voter registration, and coalition building. http://mivcalifornia.org/

Unidos US

(Website in English)

Unidos US (Formerly known as the National Council of La Raza) conducts policy analysis and advocacy activities in the civil rights arena in order to promote and protect equality of opportunity in voting, justice issues, education, employment, housing, and health care for all Americans.

https://www.unidosus.org/

League of United Latin American Citizens (LULAC)

(Website in English and Spanish)

The organization's mission is to advance the economic condition, educational attainment, political influence, housing health and civil rights of the Hispanic population of the United States. The organization provides policy advocacy, community programming, and informational resources.

www.lulac.org

Immigration Law and Policy

Mexican American Legal Defense and Education Fund (MALDEF)

(Website in English)

MALDEF is the nation's leading Latino legal civil rights organization. Often described as the "law firm of the Latino community", MALDEF promotes social change through advocacy, communications, community education, and litigation in the areas of education, employment, immigrant rights, and political access. http://www.maldef.org

Central American Resource Center (CAReCen)

(Website in English and Spanish)

The mission of CAReCen is to empower Central Americans by defending human and civil rights, working for social and economic justice and promoting cultural diversity. Works in areas of immigration, legal, education, and economic development. http://www.carecen-la.org

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