

Resources and Supports

from the CLEO Connect Webinar

Pride and Protest: Strategies to Protect and Advance

2SLGBTQIA+ Rights in Ontario

Recorded on Tuesday May 28, 12-1:30pm



CLEO's Steps to Justice

- → Human Rights
 - o Human Rights Complaints
 - o <u>I'm Transgender or Non-binary. What are my rights at work?</u>

Community Resources

- → <u>The 519</u> is committed to the health, happiness and full participation of the 2SLGBTQ+ communities. <u>Resource Page</u>
 - <u>Creating Authentic Spaces:</u> A Gender Identity and Gender Expression Toolkit to Support the Implementation of Institutional and Social Change. The 519.



- → Justice Trans: JusticeTrans is focused on providing public legal information and education, by using our website as a comprehensive resource, conducting 2S/TNBGD specific research, and engaging with the communities we serve to lead the efforts of our organization. Justice Trans RESOURCES
- → Black Femme Legal: ONTARIO Black Femme Legal is a Black femme led organisation offering a workplace toolkit in support of Black gueer and trans women, femmes and gender expansive folks across the 2SLGBTQI+ community in Ontario.
 - Toolkit with LOTS of resources.
- → FrancoQueer: An organization for 2SLGBT+ francophones in Ontario and outside of Quebec. They offer services for migrants and newcomers, social spaces, and more.
- → <u>Kindspace</u>: OTTAWA Our work celebrates, supports, and prioritizes oppressed sexual orientations, gender identities, and expressions.
- → LGBTQ2S+ Resources THUNDER BAY: Thunder Bay District Health Unit
- → Kyle's Place HAMILTON We are a trans and non-binary prioritized space that is committed to fostering community, solidarity, support, advocacy and access to resources, particularly for community members who are marginalized due to race, class, age, mental health, abilities.
- → Queer Justice Project HAMILTON Law has often been used as a tool of oppression. The Queer Justice Project aims to shift the balance and build capacity in the gueer community. Resilience and strength is built through an intersectional, anti-colonial and anti-ableist approach to justice and legal education.
 - The Queer Justice Project is in partnership with YÉN:TENE, which is an Indigenous justice initiative based at the Hamilton Community Legal Clinic. The practices of YÉN:TENE guide this project and centres the Two Spirit experience.
- → TransWellness ONTARIO Trans Wellness Ontario is a mental wellness organisation that provides low barrier support to individuals and families.



Resources for the 2-Spirited Community

Welcome to the 2-Spirit Resource Guide that spans Ontario and is intended to support the 2-Spirit community with a growing list of 2-Spirit safe programming and organizations resources

- → 2 Spirited People of 1st Nations Resource Guide.
- → Aboriginal Legal Services ALST provides services to low-income Aboriginal people in Toronto. ALST is trans-positive and Two Spirit-friendly.
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Immigration and Refugee Supports

- → Capital Rainbow Refuge: EASTERN ONTARIO We support and sponsor LGBTQI+ refugees. Through volunteer-led sponsor groups, advocacy, community building and outreach, we help LGBTQI+ refugees and newcomers arrive and thrive.
 - Queer Refugee Hearings Program Tool Kit a guide to prepare for your refugee claim 0 based on sexual orientation, gender identity and expression and / or sex characteristics.
- → MOSAIC I Belong Program: I Belong is a program welcoming all LGBTQ2+ refugees and newcomers.
- \rightarrow <u>Rainbow Railroad</u>. Helping LGBTQI+ people from around the world get to safety.
- → Spectrum YWCA HAMILTON: Newcomer 2S-LGBTQIA+ Youth
- → LGBTQ2S Health NorWest Community Health Centre (Thunder Bay)
- → Rainbow Resources Fierté Sudbury Pride (Sudbury)



Hotlines

- → Interligne HOTLINE in French and English, 24 hours. We offer support to LGBTQ+ people, loved ones and staff from different backgrounds
 - Hotlines and contact numbers
- → Crisis Text Line: Free text based crisis counselling across Canada.
 - Text HOME to 741741 for free text based crisis counselling
- → youthline.ca: Telephone and chat support for youth, online resources and programs

Guides for Name Changes and Gender Markers

- → Guides on changing your legal name / gender marker as a trans person available on 519 website
 - Adult-Name-Change-Guide.pdf (the519.org)
 - Updated-Youth-Name-Change-Guide.pdf (the519.org)
 - Updated-Gender-Marker-ID-Guide-1.pdf (the519.org)
- → Osgoode's CLASP ID Clinic
 - How Do I Apply for CLASP's Services? Osgoode Hall Law School (yorku.ca)

National Organizations

- → EGALE Legal advocacy, education and research
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HIV Legal Network

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Momentum - Programming and advocacy campaigns for the trans and queer communities - focus on 2SLBTQIA+ anti-hate, mental health and youth rights

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The Enchanté Network - Connecting and supporting 2SLGBTQIA+ organizations across Canada



Health Care Information and Resources, Disability Rights

- → Rainbow Health Ontario information and directory for 2SLGBTQIA+ services providers
- → Disability Justice Network Ontario
- → Gay Men's Sexual Health Alliance
- → Gender-gear clothing and binder recycling
- → Hassle Free Clinic (TORONTO)
- → HQ Toronto (TORONTO) Trans and gueer health care hub sexual health, mental health and social support and services
- → Ontario Harm Reduction Network
- → Planned Parenthood Sexual health, gender-affirming care, mental health supports
- → Queer ASL

Sherbourne Health Centre (TORONTO)

HIV & AIDS- Serving Organizations

- → African and Caribbean Council on HIV in Ontario
- → Alliance for South Asian Aids Prevention
- → Black Coalition for AIDS Prevention
- \rightarrow CATIE
- → Canadian Coalition to Reform HIV Criminalization
- → HALCO
- → HIV Legal Network
- → Ontario AIDS Network



- → Ontario HIV Treatment Network
- → People with AIDS Foundation
- → Women and HIV/AIDS Initiative

Housing / Shelter

- → Friends of Ruby TORONTO Housing mental health supports for 2SLGBTQIA+ youth under age 29
- → Pacewood Shelter TORONTO Adult shelter tailored to 2SLGBTQIA+ individuals focus on newcomers

Sex Workers' Resources

- → Butterfly: Asian and Migrant Sex Worker Support Network
- → Main | Maggie's Toronto

Tools for students and teachers

- → <u>Gegi</u>: The goal of gegi.ca is to equip all Ontario students and teachers whether transgender or cisgender – with the tools to advocate for the right to express and live their gender in their own way without experiencing discrimination, harassment or violence, and without being told they have to change.
- → WATERLOO OK2BME | Support for LGBTQ Youth (Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender)
- → Education and Training at The 519
- → <u>PFLAG</u> support and education for parents of queer and trans youth



Community Legal Clinics

- \rightarrow Find your community legal clinic free
- The 519 Legal Clinic and other Legal Support Programs
- → HALCO is a charitable not-for-profit community-based legal clinic that provides free legal services for people living with HIV/AIDS in Ontario, Canada. HALCO is also leading the TRANS*-forming JUSTICE project (Trans* Legal Needs Assessment Ontario).

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- → BLAC: Black Legal Action Centre
- → Human Rights Legal Support Centre
- → Justice for Children and Youth Specialty Clinic: Legal Services for young people under 18 and up to 25 for homeless or undocumented young people in Ontario

Research

TransPULSE: Trans PULSE Canada is a community-based survey of the health and well-being of trans and non-binary people in Canada. The Trans PULSE Canada team is a majority-trans group of community and academic researchers from across Canada.



Government Resources

- → Government of Canada: Learn about supports for 2SLGBTQI+ individuals, communities, and organizations to help build a safer, more equitable and inclusive Canada.
- → Federal 2SLGBTQI+ Action Plan: Launched on August 28, 2022, the Action Plan aims at advancing rights and equality for Two-Spirit, lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, intersex and additional sexually and gender diverse (2SLGBTQI+) people in Canada.
- 2SLGBTQI+ Secretariat: The Secretariat works with public servants in different departments and agencies to help them apply inclusive approaches that consider the potential impacts of policies, programs and laws on Canadians of all sexual orientations, gender identities and gender expressions

Campaigns for Change

TAKE ACTION! 519 Campaigns

And many more in the links within the resources in this handout!

Indigenous Education and Resources

Calls to action: Truth and Reconciliation

- → Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada: Calls to Action
- → Settlers Take Action

Education

→ Indigenous Canada - Free Course

Whose Land?

→ Learn about where you are situated, information for land acknowledgements and learn about the treaties and agreements signed across Canada (Turtle Island). Whose Land?



- → <u>Yellowhead Institute</u>: An accessible platform for grounded perspectives and compelling ideas on Indigenous issues in Canada.
- → Native Women's Association of Canada Intersections: Indigenous and 2SLGBTQQIA+ Identities BOOKLET

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