Long Island Region

LGBT Network
PROGRAMS & SERVICES

- **Help Line (631.665.2300):** Call for information referrals, and crisis intervention.

- **FREE/Confidential Rapid HIV Testing:** Weekly drop-in hours and by appointment.

- **HIV Prevention Services:** PrEP/ PEP Education and Linkage to Care.

- **HIV/AIDS Support Services:** Linkage to Care, Early Intervention Services (EIS), POZ Experience.

- **FREE STD Screenings:** Weekly drop-in hours and by appointment.

- **Health Insurance Enrollment**

- **Victim Services:** For LGBT victims of hate, bias harassment, discrimination, and any form of violence. Confidential online incident reporting.

- **Substance Abuse:** Linkage to Care program for those who are in need of substance abuse treatment and support services.

- **Older Adult and Senior Programming:** Social, recreational, educational, and advocacy programming for adults, ages 50+.

- **Community Education:** Cultural proficiency training for providers and professionals.

- **LGBT Youth Social “OUTlet”**: Friday nights in Bay Shore, ages 13-24, free transportation.

- **Youth Leadership Development and Empowerment:** Positive youth development programming to strengthen leadership skills and build self-esteem.

- **Youth Sexuality Education and HIV/STI Prevention:** Programming that arms youth with the tools and skills needed to make positive choices and take control of their sexual health.

- **Youth Drop-In Hours:** Safe space to hang out with friends, do homework, research, or simply relax.

- **LGBT-Headed Families:** Community-building events, parenthood services, family & relationship support, and family resources.

- **Long Island Gay Parent Teacher Student Association (LI Gay PTSA)**

- **Youth and Older Adult Transportation**

GROUPS

- **Transgender Support Group**

- **Parent Support Group (Parents of LGBT People)**

- **Spanish Speaking Gay/Bi Men (ages 18-35)**
OUT IN THE COMMUNITY

• **GSA Mixers:** LGBT Network organizes local events for that bring together GSA clubs in different areas so it’s easier for them to connect and build community.

• **HIV Testing on Fire Island:** LGBT Network partners with Fire Island health centers during the summer months to provide vital outreach and HIV testing services.

• **OUT on Long Island:** LGBT Network organizes and holds different activities at various venues to bring people together and network.

• **SAGE-LI OUTdoors:** LGBT Network organizes active outdoor events for older adults to keep active, stay healthy, and connect with one another.

• **Meet the Candidates Forum:** In September 2018, the LGBT Network brought together 19 candidates for state and local races from across Long Island at Molloy College in Farmingdale to help the LGBT community learn where these candidates stand on the issues that impact LGBT families.

• **Pride Nights:** Annual LGBT Pride Night with the NY Mets & NY Islanders

• **EmblemHealth Coming Out Day Presentation:** LGBT Network helped EmblemHealth celebrate National Coming Out Day with a special LGBT workplace training highlighting the challenges that LGBT employees face.

• **TD Bank LGBT Employee Group Launch Event:** LGBT Network presented at the launch event for TD Bank’s Metro NY LGBT Employee Group event.

• **Northwell Health LGBT Employee Group Meeting:** LGBT Network joined the Northwell Health LGBT Employee Group meeting to raise awareness about the organization and its vast array of services and the needs of the LGBT community.

• **Long Island LGBT Conference:** LGBT Network organizes its annual conference at Stony Brook University attracting more than 400 youth, educators, professionals, and other members of the community to learn, train, and organize to return to their communities to create safer spaces for LGBT people.

• **GSA Mini Grants:** LGBT Network awards grants to after-school GSA clubs to empower student leaders to organize programs in their schools that address and prevent the bullying of LGBT youth.

• **GSA Mini Grants Partnership Launch with NY Islanders on National Coming Out Day**

AT OUR LONG ISLAND CENTERS

• **You Gotta Believe:** Each Monday at its Bay Shore Center, the Network hosts the “You Gotta Believe” program preparing people to become foster parents.

• **Night of Noise:** LGBT Network holds its annual Night of Noise event attracting 150 youth at its Bay Shore Center. This event features a youth fair and dance party, marked by the ceremonial breaking down of the “Wall of Hate,” as a way to empower and build a sense of community.

• **Transgender Day of Remembrance:** A community initiative to memorialize and raise awareness of the transgender people who have lost their lives to violence and hate.

• **Youth Writing Workshop:** LGBT Network collaborated with the Water Mill Center to bring a gay author to our Hamptons Center youth program in Sag Harbor for a special writing workshop to inspire and help youth through poetry.
ACCOMPSETT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
ACCOMPSETT MIDDLE SCHOOL
ADELPHI UNIVERSITY
BARRY TECH BOCES
BAY SHORE HIGH SCHOOL
BAYPORT-BLUE POINT HIGH SCHOOL
BEACH STREET MIDDLE SCHOOL
BELLMORE-MERRICK CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL
BELLMORE-MERRICK MEADOWBROOK ALTERNATIVE PROGRAM
BELLPORT ACADEMIC CENTER
BELLPORT HIGH SCHOOL
BETHPAGE HIGH SCHOOL
BRENTWOOD HIGH SCHOOL
BRIDGEHAMPTON HIGH SCHOOL
BRIDGEHAMPTON K-12 SCHOOL
BRIDGEHAMPTON SCHOOL
CENTER MORICHES HIGH SCHOOL
CENTEREACH ACADEMIC CENTER
CENTRAL ISLIP HIGH SCHOOL
COMMACK MIDDLE SCHOOL
COMSEWOUGE HIGH SCHOOL
CONNECTquot HIGH SCHOOL
CONNECTquot SCHOOL DISTRICT
CUTCHOGUE HIGH SCHOOL
DOGWOOD ELEMENTARY
EAST HAMPTON HIGH SCHOOL
EAST ISLIP HIGH SCHOOL *
EAST ROCKAWAY HIGH SCHOOL
EASTPORT SOUTH MANOR JUNIOR/SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL
ELMONT HIGH SCHOOL
ELWOOD MIDDLE SCHOOL
EW MILES MIDDLE SCHOOL
FARMINGDALE STATE COLLEGE
FINLEY MIDDLE SCHOOL
FIVE TOWNS COLLEGE
FLORAL PARK HIGH SCHOOL
FLORAL PARK MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL
FLOWER HILL PRIMARY SCHOOL
FREEPORT HIGH SCHOOL
GREAT HOLLOW MIDDLE SCHOOL
GREAT NECK NORTH HIGH SCHOOL
GREAT NECK SOUTH MIDDLE SCHOOL
GUGGENHEIM ELEMENTARY
H FRANK CAERY HIGH SCHOOL
HARBOURFIELDS HIGH SCHOOL
HAUPPAUGE HIGH SCHOOL
HELEN B DUFFIELD ELEMENTARY
HEWLETT HIGH SCHOOL
HILLCREST HIGH SCHOOL
HOFSTRA UNIVERSITY
HUNTINGTON HIGH SCHOOL
ISLAND TREES HIGH SCHOOL
ISLAND TREES MIDDLE SCHOOL
ISLIP ACADEMIC CENTER
ISLIP HIGH SCHOOL
JACK ABRAMS INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL
JACK ABRAMS STEM MAGNET INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL
KINGS PARK HIGH SCHOOL
LINDENHURST HIGH SCHOOL
LITTLE FLOWER
LIU POST
LONG BEACH HIGH SCHOOL
LONG BEACH MIDDLE SCHOOL
LONGWOOD HIGH SCHOOL
LYNbrook HIGH SCHOOL
LYNbrook NORTH MIDDLE SCHOOL
MATTITUCK HIGH SCHOOL
MATTLIN MIDDLE SCHOOL
MEADOWBROOK ALTERNATIVE PROGRAM
MEPHAM HIGH SCHOOL
MERCYFIRST
MILES MIDDLE SCHOOL
MILLER PLACE HIGH SCHOOL
MILLS POND ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
MINEOLA HIGH SCHOOL
MOLLOY COLLEGE
NASSAU COMMUNITY COLLEGE
NESSAQUAKE MIDDLE SCHOOL
NEW HYDE PARK MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL
NORTHPORT HIGH SCHOOL
NORTHPORT MIDDLE SCHOOL
NYIT OLD WESTBURY
NYIT SCHOOL OF OSTEOPATHIC MEDICINE
NYIT-COM
OCESANIDE MIDDLE SCHOOL
PASADENA ELEMENTARY
PIERSON HIGH SCHOOL
PLAINVIEW-OLD BETHPAGE JFK HIGH SCHOOL
PLAINVIEW-OLD BETHPAGE MIDDLE SCHOOL
PORT ACADEMY (WITHIN NORTHPORT SCHOOL DISTRICT)
RIVERHEAD HIGH SCHOOL
SACHEM EAST HIGH SCHOOL
SACHEM NORTH HIGH SCHOOL
SANFORD CALHOUN HIGH SCHOOL
SAYVILLE HIGH SCHOOL
SCHREIBER HIGH SCHOOL
SEAWORD HIGH SCHOOL
SHOREHAM-WADING RIVER HIGH SCHOOL
SMITHTOWN ELEMENTARY
SMITHTOWN HIGH SCHOOL EAST
SMITHTOWN WEST HIGH SCHOOL
SOUTH HAMPTON HIGH SCHOOL
SOUTHSHIRE HIGH SCHOOL
ST. JAMES ELEMENTARY
STOKES ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
STONY BROOK UNIVERSITY
STRATFORD RD. ELEMENTARY
SUFFOLK COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE
SYOSSET HIGH SCHOOL
TANGIER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
THE KNOX SCHOOL
TOURO COLLEGE
TOURO LAW
UNIONDALE HIGH SCHOOL
VALLEY STREAM CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL
VISCARDI SCHOOL
WALT WHITMAN HIGH SCHOOL
WALTER G. O’CONNEL COPAIGUE HIGH SCHOOL
WANTEDH HIGH SCHOOL
WARD MELVILLE HIGH SCHOOL
WEBBER MIDDLE SCHOOL
WEST BABYLON HIGH SCHOOL
WEST BABYLON JR HIGH SCHOOL
WEST HEMPSTEAD MIDDLE SCHOOL
WEST ISLIP HIGH SCHOOL
WEST ISLIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
WESTHAMPTON BEACH HIGH SCHOOL
WILLIAM FLOYD HIGH SCHOOL
WILLIAM FLOYD MIDDLE SCHOOL
WILLIAM PACA MIDDLE SCHOOL
WOODHULL ELEMENTARY
WOODMERE MIDDLE SCHOOL
WOODWARD CHILDREN’S CENTER
WYANDANCH SCHOOL DISTRICT
A Holly Patterson Extended Care Facility
Amsterdam Senior Living
American Camp Association Conference
Beacon Family Wellness Center
Bellport Boys and Girls Club
Berkshire Farm Family Services
Catholic Charities
Central Nassau Guidance
Children’s Law Bureau
Department of Social Services Foster Parents
East Wind Caterers
Eastern Suffolk BOCES
EAC Network
Family and Children’s Association
Family Service League
Flanders Community Center
Garden City Church of Christ
Great South Bay YMCA
HALI
Hampton Bays Library
Henry Schein
Holocaust Memorial and Tolerance Center
Hope for Youth
Hope House Ministries
Huntington Youth Bureau
LIAFS
Long Island Against Domestic Violence
Mather Hospital
Meals on Wheels
Middle Country Public Library
Montfort Therapeutic Residence
Mt. Sinai Congregational Church
Nassau Placement Network
North Babylon Youth Bureau
Northport Veterans Affairs
North Shore Synagogue
NYS Office of Mental Health
Options for Community Living
Outreach House
Pilgrim Psychiatric Center
RES Company
Response of Suffolk County
Riverhead Anti-Bias Task Force
Seafied Center
SCO Family of Services
Southampton Hospital
Southampton Youth Bureau
South Oaks Hospital
Southampton Hospital
Suffolk County Police Academy
Suffolk Co-op Library
The Retreat
The Safe Center
Thrive
Town of Babylon
WellLife Network
Winthrop Hospital
Wyandanch Wheatley Heights
Ambulance Corps
YES Community Counseling
YMCA Great South Bay
Making Long Island Safer

- LGBT Conference Attendees
- Schools Participating in NCOD Campaign
- School Trainings/Workshops
- Community Group Trainings/Workshops
- HIV/STI Outreach/Testing
THANK YOU FOR HELPING US BREAK RECORDS!
2018 NATIONAL COMING OUT DAY CAMPAIGN REPORT

Thanks to your support, the LGBT Network broke records with its National Coming Out Day Campaign (NCOD) on October 11th. The Campaign engages communities of people to come out in support of safe spaces where LGBT people LIVE, LEARN, WORK, PLAY, and PRAY.

More than a half-million people at 451 participating businesses, schools, places of worship, athletic teams, healthcare institutions, and other organizations participated by wearing rainbow ribbons, ally and pronoun stickers, and implementing awareness programs – all in an effort to show support. We doubled participation over 2017, and quadrupled numbers from 2016!

The New York Islanders became the first professional sports franchise in any league to participate in the LGBT Network’s National Coming Out Day campaign. The Islanders announced “Pride Night,” to be held on Sunday, January 13 with a portion of the proceeds from ticket sales supporting the expansion of the LGBT Network’s anti-bullying programs.
As the regional expert and resource on LGBT community needs, the LGBT Network established and leads the Long Island LGBT Services Consortium to increase the health and wellness of LGBT people across Long Island through an established service coordination to eliminate health disparities and injustices. The LGBT Network is creating a coordinated safety net of LGBT-affirming and welcoming services by convening a variety of organizations and providers throughout Nassau and Suffolk Counties to come together, share resources, and facilitate connections among organizations. In doing so, we are expanding the number of service options for LGBT people that are affirming and welcoming.

**PARTNERSHIPS**

- Alzheimer’s Association
- Ambassador Program
- EAC Network
- East End Disabilities Association (EEDA)
- Family Residences and Essential Enterprises (FREE)
- Hampton Bays Senior Center
- Health and Welfare Council of Long Island (HWCLI)
- Hispanic Counseling Center
- Hudson River Health Care (HRHC)
- LI Against Domestic Violence
- Long Island Eagle
- Long Island Health Collaborative (LIHC)
- New York Islanders
- New York Mets
- New York Nets
- Northwell Health
- Pines Medical Center
- Planned Parenthood Hudson Peconic
- RESPONSE of Suffolk
- Stony Brook University
- STOPBIAS
- Suffolk County Department of Health Mental Health and Hygiene
- Suffolk County Department of Social Services (SCDSS)
- Suffolk County Police Department – School Resource Officers (SROs)
- Suffolk County Probation Department
- Suffolk County Youth Bureau
- United Way of Long Island
- Winthrop University Hospital
- YAI
- You Gotta Believe

**COMMITTEES**

- District Attorney Singas’ Nassau County School & Safety Task Force.
- East End Partnership for Youth Committee
- Ending The Epidemic (EtE): Suffolk County Steering Committee
- Ending The Epidemic (EtE): Nassau County Steering Committee
- Gender Equity – Safety. Equity. Empowerment: S.E.E. What Happens
- Hands Across Hempstead (HAH)
- Nassau County Executive’s Task Force on Family Violence
- Nassau County Heroin Prevention Task Force
- Nassau County School & Safety Task Force’s Prevention & Threat Intervention Subcommittee
- Nassau/Suffolk Care Coordination Network (Care Coordination)
- New York State LGBT Health and Human Services Network (NYS LGBT HHS Network)
- New York State Council on Adolescent Pregnancy (NYSCAP)
- New York State Department of Health AIDS Institute – Faith Communities Project
- New York State Ending the Epidemic (EtE) Task Force
- New York LINKS Long Island Regional Group (LIRG)
- New York State Office of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Services – Chemical Dependence Subcommittee
- Sag Harbor Coalition
- Suffolk County Anti-Bias Task Force (ABTF)
- Suffolk County Runaway & Homeless Youth (RHY) Committee
- Suffolk County Runaway & Homeless Youth (RHY) Education Sub-Committee
- Suffolk County Runaway & Homeless Youth (RHY) Finance Sub-Committee
- Suffolk County Task Force to Prevent Gang Violence
- Suffolk Project for AIDS Resource Coordination (SPARC) Steering Council
- Suffolk Senior Umbrella Network (SUN)
- Town of Islip Anti-Bias Task Force (TOI ABTF)
- Victims Information Bureau of Suffolk (VIBS) Elder Abuse Resource Committee
The LGBT Network is helping people on Long Island to know their status and take action to protect their health and the health of their partners through testing, education, prevention, and linkage to care. Community members can drop-in to any Long Island LGBT Center for testing, PrEP and PEP services during regular drop-in hours, or by appointment. We are also providing these services in the community at regularly scheduled outreach events in local bars, schools, and community events.

HIV TESTING & OUTREACH LOCATIONS

Ice Palace, Cherry Grove
The Whyte Medical Center, The Fire Island Pines
Veranda at The Eagle
Suffolk County Community College – Selden Campus
Suffolk County Community College – Grant Campus
Suffolk County Community College – East Campus
Daytop Village
THRIVE

Beacon Family Wellness Center
Outreach- Bellport
SUNY Old Westbury
Hofstra University
Farmingdale University
Suffolk County Re-Entry Resource Fairs
Nassau Parole Resource Events
Initiatives for FY2019

World Pride Long Island
The LGBT Network has been awarded a tourism grant from New York State Empire State Development through their I LOVE NY LGBT Initiative to produce World Pride Long Island, a weeklong series of events and activities to promote Long Island and in commemoration of World Pride/Stonewall 50. Through a nationwide advertising campaign, the LGBT Network will market Long Island’s ecotourism and agritourism assets introducing tens of thousands of visitors to Long Island. World Pride Long Island has two major components. First, our 3rd Annual Pride on the Beach weekend will be held Friday, June 21 through Sunday, June 23, 2019 to serve as a “landing pad” for World Pride tourists. Then, we’ll coordinate Pride Week, a weeklong series of LGBT-targeted activities and attractions throughout Long Island from Monday, June 24, 2019 through Saturday, June 29, 2019, that will serve as a lead-up to World Pride/Stonewall 50 in NYC and take advantage of the tourism surge from the festivities.

Introduction of the first “Next Generation” LGBT Community Centers
LGBT Network is opening the first of its new “Next Generation” LGBT community center in Hauppauge! This 15,000 sq.-ft. community center will feature its signature open community space, larger and more meeting space, and expanded office space to accommodate the organization’s growth.

Bigger Coming Out Day Campaign
After a record-breaking 2018 National Coming Out Day Campaign with more than 450 participating groups, the LGBT Network is preparing for another banner year of community organizing.

Launch New Youth After-School Tutoring & Career Exploration Program
The LGBT Network is launching an all-new youth program called Pathways to Pride, a daily afterschool youth program that assists LGBT students to graduate high school and explore career paths. Through individual and small group activities, Pathways to Pride will provide tutoring, financial literacy education, life skills training, and internships/summer employment assistance services to equip and prepare LGBT youth for their futures.

G-Latino Program for Gay & Bi Men Who Speak Spanish
The LGBT Network launched G-Latino in 2018, a social group program for gay and bisexual Latino and Hispanic men that speak Spanish. This is the organization’s first and only program delivered exclusively in Spanish to reduce barriers to accessing community services. After a successful launch at the Bay Shore Center as a pilot, the G-Latino model has been scaled to the LGBT Network’s Hamptons Center in Sag Harbor.

LGBT Corporate & Safe Space Initiatives
In pursuit of fulfilling the LGBT Network’s objectives of creating safe spaces where LGBT people live, learn, work, play, and pray, the LGBT Network will be rolling-out new initiatives for workplace and community settings. The LGBT Network is planning an LGBT Workplace Summit for September 2019, an event dedicated to helping professionals advance their LGBT-inclusion and diversity efforts in the workplace to create safer and more supportive spaces for LGBT employees. The “LGBT Network Certified” initiative is a new way to rate, recognize, and promote organizations for their work in advancing LGBT-inclusion. Other activities include a corporate workplace training program and LGBT job fair.
Hauppauge Center
123 Kennedy Dr. Suite 100, Hauppauge, NY 11788 | 631.665.2300

Hamptons Center
44 Union Street, Sag Harbor, NY 11963 | 631.899.4950

Queens LGBT Center (Q-Center)
37-18 Northern Blvd., Suite 107, Long Island City, NY 11101 | 718.514.2155

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