



LGBTQ+ MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

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Sexual Assault Awareness Month

April is Sexual Assault Awareness Month, otherwise known as SAAM. During this month, people across the United States raise awareness about sexual violence, how to prevent it, and how to support survivors affected by violence. SAAM is an opportunity to start conversations about sexual violence in our communities. Let's normalize having conversations about the effects of sexual violence and remind each other that we are not alone.

Other April Holidays

- **April 6:** International Asexuality Day
- **April 10:** National Youth HIV/AIDS Awareness Day
- **Third Friday of April:** Day of Silence
- **April 18:** National Transgender HIV Testing Day
- **April 18:** Nonbinary Parents Day
- **April 26:** Lesbian Visibility Day

Special CFH Event



CFH's 3rd Annual Denim Day

Join us on Wednesday, April 24th at the Pacific View Tower in Oxnard at 6PM for a special dinner.

[Click here to buy your tickets or to make a donation!](#)

LGBT+ Trivia Night

A night of trivia for people 50+ years of age within the LGBT+ community and caregivers!

A light dinner will be provided at no cost!

[Click here to sign up!](#)



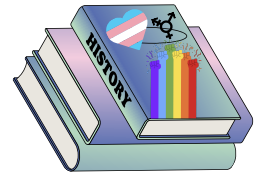
This Month in LGBTQ+ History

April 25th, 1965:

Dewey's Lunch Counter Sit-in

On April 25th, 1965, protesters at a Dewey's restaurant lunch counter in Center City, Philadelphia, demanded access to public accommodations for lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender (LGBT) people. It was the first known protest of its kind in Philadelphia, and one of the earliest such demonstrations in the U.S.

[Click here to learn more.](#)



New LGBTQ+ Support Group



Coalition Presents:
Rainbow Umbrella East

Opening Day:
Thursday, April 4th,
3:30-5:30 PM

Free Clinic of Simi Valley,
2003 Royal Ave.,
Simi Valley, CA

[Click here for more info.](#)



LGBTQ+ News Links

- [Ghana passes bill making identifying as LGBTQ+ illegal](#)
- [No charges to be filed in fight involving Oklahoma teen Nex Benedict, DA says](#)
- [Election season got you down? This crisis line is soothing LGBTQ+ mental health \(exclusive\)](#)



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Silencing the Rainbow: Prevalence of LGBTQ+ Students Who Do Not Report Sexual Violence

“Previous research on sexual violence suggests that there is a higher likelihood of students from LGBTQ+ community experiencing sexual violence and not reporting it. This study investigates various types of sexual violence experienced by the LGBTQ+ students and the prevalence of reporting it. The study further determines why different types of sexual violence are not being reported. This study uses a LGBTQ+ scholarship survey data conducted in 2019. Using Pearson’s chi square analysis, the study investigates the relationship between who experienced various kinds of sexual violence and those who do not report it...”

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The Role of LGBTQ+ Youth Organizations in Addressing Food Insufficiency

“Insufficient access to food is an issue that impacts many in the United States, including LGBTQ+ youth. However, due to the stigma LGBTQ+ youth face, they may have less access to food through programs designed to serve the general population (e.g., school meal programs, food pantries) and less support from families of origin than their cisgender, heterosexual peers. Community-based LGBTQ+ youth programs are a potential avenue to increase youth access to food. Thus, it is important to understand what LGBTQ+ youth programs are doing to feed youth—including learning from their successes and challenges. ...”

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RESEARCH THAT MATTERS

THE ROLE OF LGBTQ+ YOUTH ORGANIZATIONS IN ADDRESSING FOOD INSUFFICIENCY

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