

June is LGBTQ Pride Month!

Greetings!

June is National Pride Month and before the month passes we wanted to take a minute to send you some local resources for families and individuals who may be wanting to connect with LGBTQ services in Victoria. Please pass these on to those who could use the info!

Sincerely,
Lori Frank & Lara Foster
CLV Family Support



LGBTQ Family Resources

Queer Abilities

Do you self identify as someone who falls under the queer umbrella living with a disability?

If so, come and join us!

First Wednesday of the month 5-6:30pm

For more information contact:

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250-384-2366
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Greater Victoria Public Library, Central Branch 2nd Floor Meeting Room. 735 Broughton Street.

Gender Spectacular!

Drop-in for Kids and Families

Come with your gender-creative, transgender, two-spirit, or non-binary kids, grade 7 and under

----- Siblings welcome! -----

Gender spectacular families of trans parents with children grade 7 and under also welcome!"

Every 2nd Friday of the month
5:30pm-7:30pm

Please join us each month for a chance to meet and build community with other families!

We will have games, activities, resources, coffee/tea, and snacks.

Located @ the

901 Kings Road

Dec. 9th
Jan. 13th
Feb. 10th
Mar. 10th

April 7th*
May 12th
June 9th

*one week earlier due to holiday

For more information please email
gendercreative@transvictoria@gmail.com

Support Group for Parents and Families of Gender Diverse and Transgender Children and Youth

SUPPORT, CONNECTION, RESOURCES. YOU ARE NOT ALONE.

3RD WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH, 6:30PM-8:30PM
@ COMMONWEALTH PLACE, UPSIDE TEEN LOUNGE

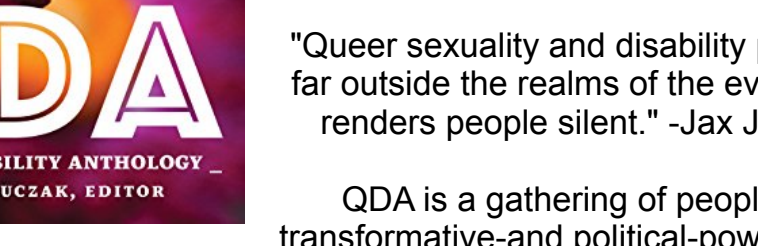
OCTOBER 19	JANUARY 18	APRIL 19
NOVEMBER 16*	FEBRUARY 15*	MAY 17*
DECEMBER 21	MARCH 15*	JUNE 21

*COMMUNITY SPEAKERS WILL BE PRESENT AT THESE MEETINGS

MORE INFORMATION PLEASE RSVP TO
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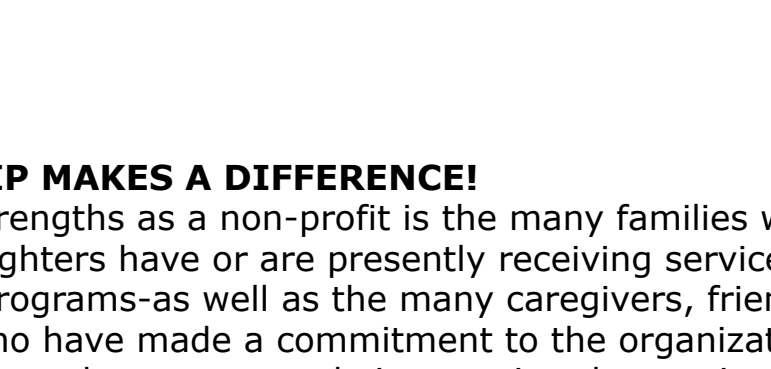
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Ambit Gender Diversity Consulting

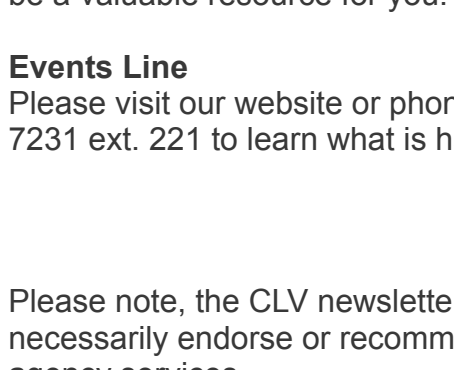
At CLV inclusion of everyone is a value we hold near and dear to our hearts! Several of us at CLV participated in a workshop yesterday to help us better understand the needs of LGBTQ people and how we can better support those we work with. The workshop was put on by Ambit Gender Diversity Consulting. They were a wealth of information and fun to work with. If you'd like to learn more about their services please visit their website! <https://www.ambitgenderdiversity.com/>



At Esquimalt High School A Washroom for Everyone

The signs on the door say "This washroom is for everyone," and "This is a safe place for LGBTQ people." They let Esquimalt High School students know the washroom is a gender-neutral facility that can be used by anyone. The facilities give non-binary, transgender or gender non-conforming students - who might not be comfortable using the men's or women's room - a safe place to go to the bathroom. By September, such washrooms will be in place at all 47 schools in the Greater Victoria school district. Students Katie Costas and Morgan Armstrong, the president and vice-president of the school's Queer Straight Alliance, say putting the bathrooms in schools is a positive step.

[CLICK HERE READ THE REST OF THE ARTICLE AT THE TIMES COLONIST.](#)



Queer Disability Anthology

Featuring fiction, poetry, nonfiction, and comics by 48 writers from around the world, QDA: A Queer Disability Anthology proves that intersectionality isn't just a buzzword. It's a penetrating and unforgettable look into the hearts and souls of those defiant enough to explore their own vulnerabilities and demonstrate their own strengths. "Queer sexuality and disability places me so far outside the realms of the everyday that it renders people silent." -Jax Jacki Brown

QDA is a gathering of people with the transformative-and political-power of love that transcends gender and ability. Ignorance is the biggest barrier.

"An anthology often creates a community. In this respect, QDA is truly groundbreaking because it brings two wonderful communities together. There is not a single style, genre, or opinion in the book, but an orchestra of voices. Their seminal works mirror-and do not mirror-each other. Taken together, they light a brilliant path of honesty." -Jennifer Bartlett, co-editor of Beauty Is a Verb: The New Poetry of Disability About the Author

To learn more about this book and other books on similar topics please visit [Amazon.ca](#) or request it at your local bookstore.

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MEMBERSHIP MAKES A DIFFERENCE!

One of our strengths as a non-profit is the many families whose sons and daughters have or are presently receiving services through our various programs-as well as the many caregivers, friends and volunteers who have made a commitment to the organization. Membership can play a strong role in ensuring the continuation and growth of services and supports. Membership gives you a voice in the governance and direction of Community Living Victoria. Please join us and download a membership application [HERE!](#)

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Family Support Program
As always, we're happy to connect with you and your family to find out how we can be a valuable resource for you. To learn more please visit our website.

Events Line
Please visit our website or phone our information line (250) 477-7231 ext. 221 to learn what is happening locally and provincially.

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