

Links to Advocacy, Support, and Justice Resources

Note that many organizations are active in more than one issue or area of concern. We've tried to group them by their primary interest or direction. If you are aware of other organizations that should be included here, please let us know in the comments.

Free Speech and Book Bans

[Unite Against Book Bans](#) – national partnership that mobilizes the public to advocate in their communities for the right to read and to defeat attempts to censor reading material

[American Library Association](#). national organization advocating for libraries and library workers to ensure equitable access to information for all

[Freedom to Read Foundation](#) – national, a 501(c)(3) organization dedicated to the defense of the freedom of speech, the freedom to publish, and the right of the public to access to information and materials stored in the nation's libraries.

Equity and Inclusion, Racial Justice

[Geneva Women's Assembly](#) – a fighting, feminist grassroots organization dedicated to the liberation of working-class women and gender minorities.

[Center of the Finger Lakes](#) – a safe space for individuals and families regardless of sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, and to promote a more inclusive community.

[Family Counseling Service of the Finger Lakes, Inc.](#) – Empowering individuals, children, and families to improve the quality of their lives.

[Finger Lakes Justice Partnership](#) – a hub for those striving for justice and a source of action opportunities. Produces a weekly newsletter, "The Intersection."

[Finger Lakes People's Union](#) – nonpartisan group that stands for humanity, civil rights, racial justice, environment stewardship, and more through direct action and community support

[Yates For All Families](#) – advocating for our families, kids, and communities in support of education, libraries, and equal rights

[Party for Socialism and Liberation FLX](#)-- believes that the only solution to the deepening crisis of capitalism is the socialist transformation of society.

[Our Local History](#) – support students, teachers, and communities with tools to engage with their local history of civil rights through inquiry, equity, and civic action

[Action for a Better Community, Inc.](#) – Building new beginnings for people in poverty

[Learning for Justice](#) - a community-focused education program of the Southern Poverty Law Center (SPLC) that cultivates and nurtures dialogue, learning, reflection and action from those most proximate to and impacted by injustices in the South.

[Black in the Burbs](#) - Rochester based, organizing against anti-Black racism & discrimination around Rochester suburbs and promoting mutual community support.

[Greater Rochester NY Black Agenda Group](#) - a group of dedicated stakeholders committed to the uplifting and improvement of Black people in Rochester, New York and across the country.

[Wayne Action for Racial Equality](#) - people from Wayne County who are dedicated to racial equality.

Immigration

[FLX Rapid Response Network](#) - a Finger Lakes regional team coming together to respond to immediate needs caused by immigration policies that destroy people's lives.

[Penn Yan Action Coalition](#) - formed during the summer of 2017 to address immigration and other issues of concern to residents of Yates County.

Health and Education

[Trillium Health](#) – Rochester neighborhood health center, where you'll find friendly, affordable, accessible health care services.

[Welcoming Schools](#) – Premier professional development and resources to create LGBTQ+ and gender inclusive schools

[Gender Inclusive Schools](#) – provides training and consultation to school communities on LGBTQ+ topics

Gender and LGBTQIA+

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[Transgender Visibility Project of Ontario County](#) (TVPOC) –a queer-led community group that hosts monthly events that center trans visibility and joy in public spaces to send a clear message that our trans neighbors aren't going anywhere.

[Fingerlakes Transgender Community](#) – Ithaca group. Bi-weekly meetings take place on Sundays, 5-7pm. Please message for location details or to be added to our email list.

[Parents and Friends for Lesbians and Gays](#) (PFLAG) – national, creating a caring, just, and affirming world for LGBT Q+ people and those who love them.

[The Trevor Project](#) – Providing counseling services, including crisis support 24/7, and a supportive community for LGBTQ+ young people.

[Keuka Compass](#) - a group of LGBT people, family members, and allies hoping to support the varied identities and orientations of the Finger Lakes.

[Penn Yan Pride Coalition](#) - A place for Penn Yan's LGBTQ+ humans and allies. A safe space to share events, ideas and love.

[National LGBTQ Task Force](#) - the uncompromising voice for lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and queer freedom, justice and equality for over 45 years.

[FLX Beacon](#) – coalition for LGBTQIA+ liberation across the Finger Lakes. We are committed to building the future we dream of: one rooted in justice, love, and mutual power.

[Gender Equality NY](#) – a statewide, non-profit that supports TGNBI New Yorkers.

[InterConnect Support Group](#) – The official PUBLIC Facebook page of InterConnect Support Group (formerly AIS-DSD Support Group). (National group).

[TransParent Rochester, New York](#) – a volunteer-led local chapter of a national not-for-profit based out of St. Louis providing connection, support, and resources to parents of trans and gender-expansive children.

[WAVE Woman Inc.](#) – a group created to empower, inspire, and support all women of transitional experience. Our mission is to also bridge the gap between Ciswomen and Transwomen, allowing us all to come together and be there for one another in one sisterhood.

[Rochester LGBTQ+ Together](#) - A volunteer-led LGBTQIA2S+ community org, providing education, socialization, and peer support.

[Rochester's Sexual & Reproductive Justice Task Force](#) – a group of community leaders, activists, and nonprofit organizations in the Rochester, NY area that work to promote sexual and reproductive justice.

[Transgender Alliance of CNY](#) – a social and support group for trans* identified persons in the CNY area.