

KALEIDOSCOPE

Out and About Newsletter

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What We Do

Kaleidoscope is a community-based LGBTQIA+ program that offers monthly meetings and ongoing virtual platforms in a welcoming atmosphere where teens and young adults like you can find support, guidance, and a sense of community.

Kaleidoscope provides a safe, supportive environment for queer and allied teens and young adults to gather, socialize, organize, and help each other!

See the **CALENDAR** on the next page for meeting dates and times!

Interested in Joining?

Email us at:

kaleidoscope@centerffs.org

“It’s really nice not having to worry about how other people think of you in regards to your identity.”

-Kaleidoscope Attendee

To stay up to date on upcoming events and community resources, follow Kaleidoscope on [Facebook!](#)



<https://www.facebook.com/KaleidoscopeNJ/>



INTRODUCING RAINBOW ROOTS

Kaleidoscope Rainbow Roots: A new soft space social group for children whose parents and caregivers identify under the LGBTQIA2S+ umbrella

Are you a family looking to connect with other families like yours in South Jersey?

Join us as we build community, have fun, and meet new friends.

School-aged children and their adults are welcome!

Third Friday each month in Camden County

6 – 8 pm

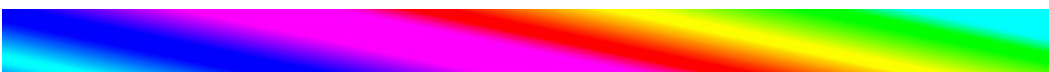
Snacks provided!

For more information or to register,

please use the link below,

or email us at kaleidoscope@centerffs.org

<https://forms.gle/qCw68oc6DPSUmfeT6>



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Women's History Month	Bisexual Health Awareness Month					1 Zero Discrimination Day
2	3	4	5	6 Mercer County Youth Meeting 6-8pm	7	8 International Women's Day
9	10 National Women & Girls HIV/AIDS Awareness Day	11	12	13	14 Camden County Young Adult Meeting 6-8pm	15
16	17 Morris-Sussex County Youth Meeting (Virtual) 5:30-7pm National LGBTQ+ Health Awareness Week 17th-21st	18	19	20 National Native HIV/AIDS Awareness Day	21 NEW! Rainbow Roots 6-8pm	22
23	24	25	26	27 Mercer County Young Adult Meeting 6-8pm	28 Camden County Youth Meeting 6-8pm	29
30	31 International Trans Day of Visibility					

- March 6th: Mercer County Youth Meeting.** Meetings are open to youth ages 12-17 and will be from 6-8pm.
- March 14th: Camden County Young Adult Meeting.** Meetings are open to young adults ages 18-24 and will be from 6-8pm in Voorhees.
- March 17th: Morris and Sussex Youth Meeting (Virtual).** Meetings are open to youth ages 13-18 and will be from 5:30-7pm.
- March 21st: Rainbow Roots.** This **NEW** group is for children with LGBTQIA2S+ caregivers. Meetings are open to school-aged children and their adults, and will be from 6-8pm in Camden County.
- March 27th: Mercer County Young Adult Meeting.** Meetings are open to young adults ages 18-24 and will be from 6-8pm.
- March 28th: Camden County Youth Meeting.** Meetings are open to youth ages 12-17 and will be from 6-8pm in Voorhees.

Looking for ways to support Kaleidoscope and the queer community? Consider donating to our program, or visiting the resource to the right to learn more about what it means to be an ally! *More information on how to donate can be found at the end of this newsletter.*

BEING AN LGBTQ+ ALLY



<https://reports.hrc.org/being-an-lgbtq-ally?ga=2.52062313.1341921333.1701987866.649665543.1697045446>

EVENT RECAP



Lenape High School's 5th Annual Wellness Day

Mental Health & Wellness Resource Fair

Thank you, Lenape High School, for having Kaleidoscope at your Wellness Day! It was a joy to connect the students with the resources they need. Thanks to everyone who chatted with us and took time to learn about what Kaleidoscope has to offer!

COMMUNITY EVENTS & RESOURCES

Click each image below to learn more!



HiTOPS TRANS YOUTH FORUM

MARCH 29

11:00 AM-4:30 PM

Virtual

Save the Date!

10th year!

International Transgender Day of Visibility is on March 31st!

Celebrate by making a trans kid's day and ordering their Girl Scout Cookies!

Rainbow is an 8 year old who has loved being a Girl Scout for the past few years. She enjoys playing guitar, dancing, and Minecraft. She wants her troop to support unhoused people, respond to the climate crisis, and plan fun activities.



Koi's been with Girl Scouts since Kindergarten, and now she is a Senior (10th Grade). She loves video games, hanging with friends, and history. One day she hopes to become an Archaeologist!



Support Rainbow, Koi, or the many other trans and nonbinary Girl Scouts selling cookies right now! Click this link or the Girl Scouts logo to the right to read about them and support their journeys: <https://www.erininthemorning.com/p/2025-trans-girl-scouts-to-order-cookies>

! CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS !

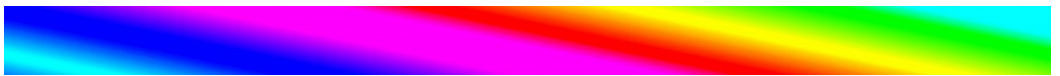
Are you interested in volunteering for Kaleidoscope?

If you want to make a difference in the lives of queer youth and young adults in New Jersey, consider applying to become a Kaleidoscope volunteer!

As a Kaleidoscope volunteer, you will help create a positive and affirming environment for teens and young adults who are part of the LGBTQIA+ community. Volunteers assist with tabling, leading activities, and supporting monthly meetings for teen and young adult groups.

Learn more and apply at <https://www.centerffs.org/kaleidoscope>

Email us at kaleidoscope@centerffs.org with any questions!



Visit the **PRIDE Center's Linktree** to explore more resources! Click the link below.

Feel free to share this with anyone you think would benefit from it!

<https://linktr.ee/pridecenterffs>

Help is just a call away.

NJ PRISM, a statewide hotline providing information and referrals to New Jersey's LGBTQIA+ Community, offers resources including prevention and support services, medical care access needs, community safe space groups, advocacy and legal resources.

NOTE: The hotline is only live answered from 8am-6pm, Monday-Friday. If you call during hours of non-operation, you can leave a message that will be returned the next business day.

Get connected by calling 844.NJPRISM (657.7476) today!



You can make a difference in the lives of LGBTQIA+ youth and young adults.

Your gift in any amount will create a supportive, affirming environment for a young person seeking community with other members of the LGBTQIA+ community.

If you are interested in donating, scan the QR Code to access the Center for Family Services donation page. At the bottom of the page there is an option to select "Donate to a Specific Program" and you can note that you'd like your donation to be for Kaleidoscope.



<https://centerffs.org/get-involved/donate>