# **Life Affirming Assistance**

**\$500-\$1,500** is the average cost of a legal name change in Eastern Pennsylvania!

The cost to attend a Conference where trans Pennsylvanians can get access to legal and healthcare services can exceed **\$700!** 

A gender affirming garment or prosthetic that allows a trans person to diminish feelings of discomfort with their body can cost *\$75-\$200!* 

One session with a gender-affirming therapist can cost upwards of **\$100 per hour!** 



These costs are out of range for many transgender Pennsylvanians. That is why we provide qualifying transgender and non-binary individuals with financial assistance, supportive services, and education programs that help them to deal with these issues.

If you know a transgender Pennsylvanian in the Lehigh Valley who could use our services, please put them in contact with us!



The Eastern PA Trans Equity Project is a nonprofit organization that is dedicated to improving the lives of transgender Pennsylvanians located in the Lehigh Valley and Eastern Pennsylvania.

You can help us to fulfill our mission assist us by making a tax-deductible donation.

Learn more about our services at www.PATransEquity.org

Or contact us at 484-602-5918



# Supportive Programs for the Transgender Community

- Legal Name Changes
- Gender-Affirming Garments
  - Peer Support Programs
  - Education & Outreach

## **Financial Assistance**

#### **Legal Name Change Grants**

 We want to reduce financial barriers for transgender Pennsylvanians seeking to have their legal identity match their true identity. We do this through providing financial assistance to qualified grantees within our service area.

### **Gender-Affirming Garment Microgrants**

 We understand the importance of being able to present in the gender with which you identify. Doing so is a matter of safety and mental health. We provide financial assistance to transgender people in need of safe gender affirming garments or prosthetics such as binders, gaffs and breast forms.

## **Conference Scholarships & Ride Share**

- <u>Keystone Conference Scholarship</u> Each year we sponsor several transgender people to attend the Keystone Gender Diversity Conference. Scholarships include all conference fees, hotel accommodation and meals.
- Philadelphia Trans Wellness Conference Each year we provide free transportation to and from the Philadelphia Trans Wellness Conference the largest free conference of its type in the world.

## **Supportive Services**



Lehigh Valley Renaissance is a support group that is open to all transgender and gender nonconforming people, their allies and family members. Meet-ups take place the second Saturday of the month. Renaissancely.org





Partners is a support group for spouses and partners of transgender and gender-diverse individuals. Meet-ups take place the second Saturday of the month and run contiguously with the Renaissance meeting.

Renaissancelv.org/spouses-and-partners

## **Education & Outreach**

## **Workshops, Training and Public Speaking**

 If your organization is seeking to become more trans-inclusive or if you just want to learn more about the transgender experience, we can assist.



## **Community Events**

- <u>Transgender Day of Visibility</u> Each Spring we develop a community education program focused on telling the stories of transgender people including our triumphs and challenges
- <u>Transgender Day of Remembrance</u> –
   Transgender people are subject to high rates of violence and, unfortunately, high rates of homicide due to hate crimes.

   November 20<sup>th</sup> is the day we remember and honor our victims so that their names are never forgotten.

### **Free Educational Assets**

 We offer a wide array of downloadable materials and on-line video content that covers a wide range of topics ranging from health issues to coming out at work.