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Appendix A **Resources to Support LGBTQ Youth and Families**

Local Resources to Support LGBTQ Youth and Families

Utah Pride utahpridecenter.org

355 North 300 West, Salt Lake City, UT 84103

(801) 539-8800 ext. 17

Utah Pride has a youth activity center, TINT, that provides a safe place for LGBTQ youth ages 14 -20 to hang out with other youth. Utah Pride also provides support groups and structured activities for youth and their loved ones (including caregivers/parents), and offers support and resources to professionals and caregivers working in youth-centered environments.

Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays (PFLAG) pflag.org

PFLAG Salt Lake City	PFLAG Ogden	PFLAG Logan	PFLAG St. George
801-688-2281	801-388-9358	435-213-5993	435-673-3356
slcpflag@gmail.com	ogdenpflag@q.com	pflaglogan@gmail.com	
pflag.saintgeorge@gmail.com			

A great resource for caregivers, parents, and families of LGBTQ youth. PFLAG promotes the health and well-being of gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender people; their families; and friends through support, education, and advocacy. They offer support groups for caregivers of LGBTQ youth and individuals.

OUTreach - Ogden's LGBTO Drop-In Center ogdenoutreach.org

705 23rd Street, Ogden, UT 84401

(801) 686-4528

info@ogdenoutreach.org

The OUTreach drop-in center is open from 3:00 pm to 7:30 pm every Wednesday and Thursday. They serve youth aged 14-23, in the Weber, Davis, and Box Elder counties who are lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, or just have questions about gender and

Volunteers of America, UT - Homeless Youth Resource Center voaut.org

655 South State Street, Salt Lake City, UT 84111 (801) 364-0744

The VOA Homeless Youth Resource Center delivers a continuum of services to homeless street youth through its Street Outreach Program, Drop-In Center and Transition Home.

National Resources to Support LGBTQ Youth and Families

The Family Acceptance Project familyproject.sfsu.edu

The Family Acceptance ProjectTM is the only community research, intervention, education and policy initiative that works to decrease major health and related risks for lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender (LGBT) youth --such as suicide, substance abuse, HIV and homelessness – in the context of their families. They use a research-based, culturally grounded approach to help ethnically, socially and religiously diverse families decrease rejection and increase support for their LGBT children.

The National Resource Center for Youth Development http://www.nrcyd.ou.edu/lgbtq-youth

Addressing the experiences of LGBTQ youth in general and LGBTQ youth in foster care specifically, the National Resource Center for Youth Development highlights the need for education, training, and resources for working with this population.

The National Center for Lesbian Rights nclrights.org

The National Center for Lesbian Rights is a national legal organization committed to advancing the civil and human rights of lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender people and their families through litigation, public policy advocacy, and public education. NCLR has produced guidelines and best practices to meet the needs of LGBT youth in child welfare and juvenile justice settings.

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The National Resource Center for Permanency and Family Connections <u>hunter.cuny.edu/socwork/nrcfcpp</u>

NRCFPC provides training and technical assistance to States and Indian Tribes on a wide variety of LGBTQ-related issues. To support States, NRCFPC has developed multiple, downloadable print resources on LGBTQ issues and child welfare that are available on the NRCPFC website.

Child Welfare League of America cwla.org

CWLA is a powerful coalition of hundreds of private and public agencies serving vulnerable children and families since 1920. Its expertise, leadership and innovation on policies, programs, and practices help improve the lives of millions of children in all 50 states. CWLA has published *The Best Practice Guidelines for serving LGBTQ Youth in Out of Home Care*.

Gender Spectrum genderspectrum.org

Gender Spectrum provides education, training and support to help create a gender sensitive and inclusive environment for all children and teens. Gender Spectrum is an excellent resource for caregivers, families and professionals supporting transgender or gender non-conforming youth.

GSA Network gsanetwork.org

GSA Network is a national organization that provides information, tools and training resources that are intended to support students who are wishing to start or strengthen a Queer or Gay-Straight Alliance club at their school.

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