THE CENTER'S HOUSING SERVICES

San Diego is experiencing a housing crisis and our LGBTQ community is significantly impacted. The San Diego LGBT Community Center is extremely proud of our work to help LGBTQ people who are experiencing housing insecurity or experiencing homelessness. Housing insecurity and homelessness create other impacts on a person's health and well-being and The Center is deeply committed to doing all we can to support them.





PERMANENT & SUPPORTIVE HOUSING

SUNBURST YOUTH HOUSING PROJECT

Sunburst Youth Housing Project is a 23-unit facility that provides safe and supportive housing for homeless youth between 18-24, including LBGTQ and youth living with HIV. Youth have access to critical support services such as case management, connection to health care, on-site mental health services, benefits enrollment, HIV testing, life skills training, educational and employment support.

KARIBU

Karibu is a 21 unit, scattered-site permanent supporting housing program that supports those ages 18 and older. The twenty one units are located across San Diego County. Residents receive critical support services such as case management, connection to health care, benefits enrollment, HIV testing, life skills training, educational and employment support.

NORTH PARK SENIOR APARTMENTS

A 76-apartment unit and San Diego's first LGBTQ-affirming affordable senior complex. Open to all, North Park Senior Apartments provide an affirming, affordable, and supportive community. The Center provides on-site programming to residents, and case management to formerly homeless residents. The Center worked for a decade with Community Housing Works to gain support and funding for the complex.



LGBT SAFE S.T.A.Y.

Overnight Emergency Housing for transitional age youth, ages 18-24, available five nights a week. Resources include gender-neutral living quarters and restrooms, shower, laundry facilities, clothing, toiletries, as well as an LGBTQ empowering staff and case managers who provide access to resources and referrals, with a focus on locating permanent housing for the youth.

HOMELESSNESS PREVENTION & DIVERSION

Designed to assist individuals and families in the County of San Diego who are facing housing instability or are currently unhoused. Services for those facing housing instability include outreach, temporary rental assistance, housing navigation, budgeting resources, utility assistance, and short-term case management services. Clients facing homelessness receive assistance with referrals to shelter solutions, short-term case management, housing search assistance, rental deposit assistance, temporary rental assistance, and deposit assistance. Staff provides public benefit enrollment assistance, and provide internal referrals to The Center's programs.

PROJECT COMPASSION

A tangible, action-based program that offers direct supportive resources for those experiencing homelessness. It provides clients with needed items like socks, toiletries, clothes, food, and water and also connects community members to internal and external resources including medical care, mental health services, addiction and recovery options, specialized case management, housing navigation and benefits enrollment assistance.

HOST HOME PROGRAM

and a chance to better access support services.

Forty percent of youth experiencing homelessness identify as LGBTQ, and the majority of these youth cite family rejection as the reason why. The Center's Host Home Program identifies, screens, and trains community members who are known to the youth (18-24) and are willing to host them in their home on a short or long-term basis. The host-home program is a cost-effective way to provide LGBTQ youth experiencing homelessness with a safe place to stay

FAMILY REUNIFICATION PROGRAM

The Family Reunification Program seeks to reconnect LGBTQ youth with their families, when safe and appropriate, while the entire family receives counseling and supportive services. Support services may include transportation to where family is located, local resources for families, connection to mental health services, and support groups at The Center.