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Local Support Groups and Organizations

Northland Prism-On Facebook; (218)461-0457;northlandprism@gmail.com

- Mission: To offer peer support, education, and facilitation of accessible community meetings and social engagement platforms while centering the needs of our diverse LGBTQ2+ community

Trans Plus- On Facebook; <http://transplus.org>

- Spanning the Twin Ports region of Duluth, Superior, & surrounding areas. Trans Plus seeks to provide support and resources to anyone who is trans-identified, gender queer, Two-Spirit, intersex, agender, non-binary, gender non-conforming (GNC), and/or questioning their gender identity.

LGTBQ2+ Arrowhead Resource and Community Center (LARCC)-On Facebook; thelarcc@gmail.com located in the Gloria Dei Lutheran Church

- Hopes to accomplish greater community connections, support queer/trans orgs in their longevity in the Twin Ports, and create a safe, sober space for all ages to gather and find support, referrals, and their niche in our beautiful, diverse community.

Local Legal Resources

Volunteer Attorney Program (VAP) - Northeast Minnesota - www.volunteerattorney.org

- Connects income eligible individuals with private attorneys who provide pro-bono legal assistance/advice including name and gender marker changes.
 - Gives people the opportunity to meet with a volunteer attorney to ask questions and discuss legal matters for approximately 15 minutes. Please bring any documents concerning your legal matter with you to this meeting. A volunteer attorney will help you determine the next best steps in your legal matter.
 - If you are interested in VAP services, please apply for assistance online via their website.

OutFront Minnesota-<https://www.outfront.org>; 24 HR LGBTQ+ Violence Crisis Line: 800-800-0350

- OutFront Minnesota's mission is to create a state where lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer people are free to be who they are, love who they love, and live without fear of violence, harassment or discrimination.
 - Good information on legal processes to correct name and sex on state and federal documents in Minnesota.
 - Lots of additional information on efforts towards anti-violence, legal & trans justice, equality in schools, and positive public policy changes.

National Center for Transgender Equality

- Advocates to change policies and society to increase understanding and acceptance of transgender people. In the nation's capital and throughout the country, NCTE works to replace disrespect, discrimination, and violence with empathy, opportunity, and justice.
 - Good resource for state-by-state legal information regarding name change and gender marker changes on state and federal paperwork.

Financial Resources-Nationwide and Local

For full details on application process please visit individual program websites.

Point of Pride – www.pointofpride.org

- Annual Surgery Fund
 - This scholarship-like program provides direct financial assistance to folks who cannot afford their gender-affirming surgery. Applicants may have insurance and still apply.
 - Applications Accepted each year from November 1–30.



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- **Free Chest Binder Program**
 - Provides new or gently-used chest binders (specially-designed chest compression garments) to any person who is in need and cannot afford or safely obtain one.
 - Applications accepted on a rolling basis; you may apply at any time. Requests are added to waiting list and fulfilled on a first-come, first-served basis.
- **Free Femme Shapewear**
 - Provides new pairs of tucking undergarments/shapewear to femme people in need of them.
 - Applications accepted on a rolling basis; you may apply at any time. Requests are added to waiting list and fulfilled on a first-come, first-served basis.
- **Electrolysis Support Program**
 - Provides free or greatly discounted permanent hair removal services for femme folks who cannot otherwise afford them. Determinations for support are based on financial need and the geographic locations of sponsors.
 - Applications accepted on a rolling basis; you may apply at any time. Requests are added to waiting list and fulfilled on a first-come, first-served basis.

Jim Collins Foundation –www.jimcollinsfoundation.org

- The Jim Collins Foundation offers two grant options:
 - General Fund grants cover 100% of the medical fees associated with the gender-affirming surgery.
 - Alternately, grants from the Krysallis Anne Hembrough Legacy Fund cover half of the associated fees and require each recipient to match funds received from the organization dollar-for-dollar with their own money or money raised through other means.
 - Applicants may apply only once per grant cycle (applications accepted May-July).
 - When applying, you must choose either the General Fund or the Krysallis Anne Hembrough Legacy Fund - you cannot apply for both.

Genderbands- www.genderbands.org

- **Top Surgery Grant**
 - Help transgender men and gender non-conforming people pay for their gender-affirming top surgery.
 - Applications for the surgery grant open November 1 – December 31

Community Kinship Life-www.cklife.org

- **CK Life Surgery Scholarship**
 - You may select only one surgery per application, however multiple procedures performed during the same operation do count as one surgery. (Hysterectomy and simultaneous SRS or multiple facial feminization procedures handled at the same time, for example, count as only one surgery.) To be considered for more than one type of surgery, you may complete the entire application process again for each additional operation
 - Applications are accepted January-April