



# 2022

IMPACT REPORT

# HENDERSON EQUALITY CENTER

## OUR MISSION STATEMENT

Henderson Equality Center, a community supported organization to engage, empower, enrich, and advance the gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender, allies and queer community of Henderson, NV by providing a safe space, pursue resources and providing courses focus on educational, social, support, skill building and job assistance classes for at-risk, low-income LGBTQ youth and adults.

## OUR VISION STATEMENT

Henderson Equality Center provides gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender (LGBT) individuals, their families and supporters in Henderson, NV with resources and opportunities to promote visibility, understanding, and equality within the LGBT communities and the community at large. Henderson Equality Center will work toward these goals through education, social support, networking, and advocacy.







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# LETTER FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Dear Community and Friends,

Since being open in 2021, opening during the start of a Global Pandemic, Henderson Equality Center has assisted hundreds of people through its programing, educational classes, events and assistance to the community through its food pantry and wellness clinic. The impact that we have made in the community was greatly made possible from the financial support of Corporations, Donors, Sponsors and Grants we received during the year.

Henderson Equality Center pushed record numbers of attendance at all of our events held at the Center, including a record number of over 5000 plus people that came out in the hottest weekend on record in June to celebrate Henderson Pride Fest. An event that brought news all over when politics tried to get in the way of stopping the event from happening.

We expanded services to clients with the Henderson Wellness Clinic by offering Linkage to Care for Patients with HIV, offering PrEP assistance to clients looking to protect themselves and their well-being, and opened as a location to provide vaccines to those seeking protection from the various outbreaks that happened in 2022.

As we move into 2023, we are expanding services with a second location and wellness clinic, and expanding our wellness clinic into the community with our mobile HIV Testing Bus. Stay tuned as we have a lot coming in 2023 for our community.

Yours truly,



" Never allow yourself to be made a victim. Accept no one's definition of your life; define yourself and your journey in life.

"Stay true to who you are, not what others want you to be."



# KEY MILESTONES

1

**Henderson Equality Center** events reached recorded numbers. 2k attendees for Easter Egg Hunt, 5k for Pride Fest, 3k people for Trunk-or-Treat, 300 for Thanksgiving Dinner Packages, 500 kids for Xmas!

2

**Henderson Pride Fest**, was a huge success for the City of Henderson Community! When all was said and done, we had over 5000 people in attendance, with over 1800 attendees being under 18!

3

**In 2022**, Henderson Equality Center was 1 of 5 finalist in the Las Vegas Chamber Non-Profit of the year, and in December was announced by Best of Las Vegas, as the 2nd Place Silver Winner for Non-Profit of the Year 2022!

4

**Second Location** - Henderson Equality Center is expanding and is underway to be opening up its second location in North Las Vegas, this location will follow the same name, being called North Las Vegas Equality Center!

5

**Medical Testing Bus** to start hitting the streets in 2023! HIV Testing will be available at various locations around Henderson and NLV.



# THE CENTER SERVICES

"WE SERVE HENDERSON, LAS VEGAS, BOULDER CITY, MESQUITE AND NORTH LAS VEGAS WITH SERVICES, PROGRAMMING, EDUCATION AND WELLNESS THROUGH EDUCATION, ADVOCACY AND PARTNERSHIPS."



## FOOD PANTRY

86,592 lbs of food

1500+ Boxes of Food Handed out

\$147,000 Cash Value



## WELLNESS CLINIC

500+ HIV and STI Testing

200+ PrEP Prescribed

200+ MPox Vaccinations



## Youth Services

400+ Youth Program participants

1800+ Youth attended Henderson Pride Fest

500+ Back to School Bags and Supplies



## VOLUNTEER HOURS

5000+  
Volunteers  
during the  
year!

2500+  
Cash Value of  
Volunteer  
hours

300+  
Community  
Social Group  
Leader Hours



## SUPPORT GROUP SERVICES - 208 Hours

NA Support  
Group  
meeting  
every week.

ACOA and AA  
Group meeting  
every week  
during the  
year.

AL-Anon Group  
meeting every  
week during the  
year.



## SOCIAL GROUPS - 336 Hours

10 Social  
Groups  
meeting  
monthly

2500+  
Attended  
these social  
groups in 2022

4 Educational  
Classes being  
taught at the  
Center.



## EVENT PROGRAMMING

5000+  
Attended  
Henderson  
Pride Fest

2500+  
Attended  
each: Easter /  
Trunk or Treat

300+  
Turkey Meals  
500+  
Xmas Toy Bags  
to help kids

## YOUTH / SENIOR SOCIAL GROUPS

**YOUTH GROUP** - Youth ages 18 and under are able to come together with other youth with common interests, beliefs, thoughts, ages and backgrounds to talk about issues they may not feel comfortable discussing with others in their day-to-day lives. This group is open to any youth under the age of 18 who is gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender, queer, questioning, intersex, pansexual or allied (a person who supports all the others, but may identify as straight/heterosexual.)

**TUTORING** - Focuses on youth, under 18 in grades K-12, that would like extra help with school homework and understanding. This group is taught by licensed teachers from Nevada.

**SENIOR SOCIAL GROUP** - A senior group that works to educate Henderson, NV LGBTQ senior's through action by being positive role models and contributing members of the community at large, connecting LGBTQ senior's to the resources needed to make informed decisions, respecting them as the unique individuals that they are while also respecting their family of choice and empowering them by reinforcing the belief that every human being has the inherent right to be whom and what they want to be. 55+, Come out and meet other Seniors, Food, Soda, Coffee, Games, Socialize!



# ADULT SOCIAL GROUPS / SUPPORT GROUPS

**TRANSFORMATIONS** - Peer led social group for individuals who identify as trans men, trans masculine and/or female-to-male (FtM), trans women, trans feminine and/or male-to-female (MtF). This is a safe, drop-in space providing peer-run social support, engaging conversation, and relevant resources to attendees.

**BISEXUAL+** - Social group for individuals who identify as bisexual+. The groups meets to provide peer support, discuss and share experiences, learn and practice effective communication to build trust and intimacy for relationships, and build a community for the bisexual+ community.

**LSN(Lesbian Social Network)** - Social Group open topic ran by women for women. Ages 18 and older, who identify as lesbian, bisexual, queer, or are questioning their sexuality.

**LGBTQ PARENT NIGHT** - Are you a parent of a LGBTQ child? Want to meet other parents? Or just have questions you would like to understand? This group is for parents to meet other parents and socialize.

**VETERANS SOCIAL GROUP** - A LGBTQ Social Group for our Veteran's. Meet other Veteran's, talk, socialize, and be part of something amazing for the men and women that have served our country.



**3D PRINTING CLASS** - Are you interested in learning how to 3D Print? Henderson Equality Center will be teaching a monthly class on how to program, design, create and print your favorite 3D objects out. Open to ages 13 and older. No experience needed to join teaching class. Class is FREE.

**NA HULA HALI'A ALOHA DANCE CLASS** - Open Dance Class for all ages. A membership with HUI organization, welcomes families and others to come out and learn the culture of Hawaiian Dancing.

**PRIDE YOGA** - The Phoenix Nevada offers YOGA Class for free on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of every month at 6pm to 7pm for Pride Yoga! Bring your Yoga Mat if you have one, or mats can be provided for those that don't. Come on out and let's relax, meditate and have fun while celebrating the music of your favorite queer icons!

**LGBTQ+ PEOPLE OF COLOR PEER SOCIAL GROUP** - The LGBTQ+ people of color group is a group attempting to connect younger LGBTQ+ people of color with older LGBTQ+ people of color through mentorship and knowledge.

### **EQUALITY in RECOVERY - NA SUPPORT GROUP -**

If you, a friend, or a loved one suffers from drug use, understand you are not alone. Transitioning to a life of sobriety is a big step. This is a support group for individuals who would like to share their story and support others.

### **EQUALITY in RECOVERY - AA SUPPORT GROUPS - ACOA/AA/AL-ANON**

If you, a friend, or a loved one suffers from alcohol use, understand you are not alone. Transitioning to a life of sobriety is a big step. This is a support group for individuals who would like to share their story and support others.







# Awards

Henderson Equality Center over the last two years has been recognized by local cities, Senators, Congress Officials, Governors office, Best of Las Vegas and nominations with various organizations like the Las Vegas Chamber. We Thank all of the amazing people in the community that have noticed our work we have done by nominated us for various awards and honors within the community.



Silver Winner  
Best Non-Profit of  
the Year - 2022



Finalist  
Non-Profit of the  
Year 2022



Bronze Winner  
Best Men's Health  
Clinic - 2022



Silver Winner  
Best Networking  
Organization - 2021





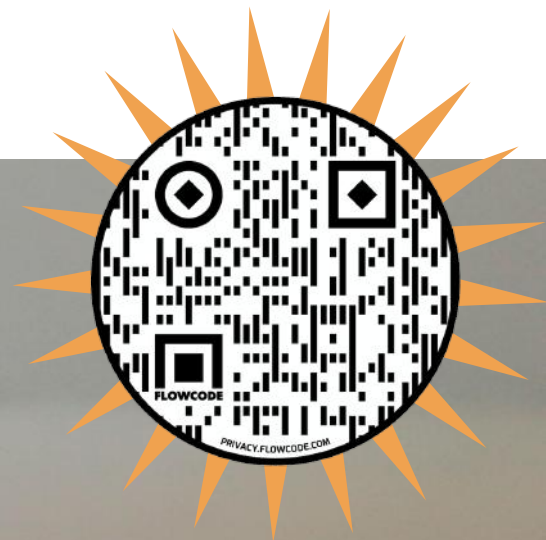
# Financial Reports

## 2022 Income



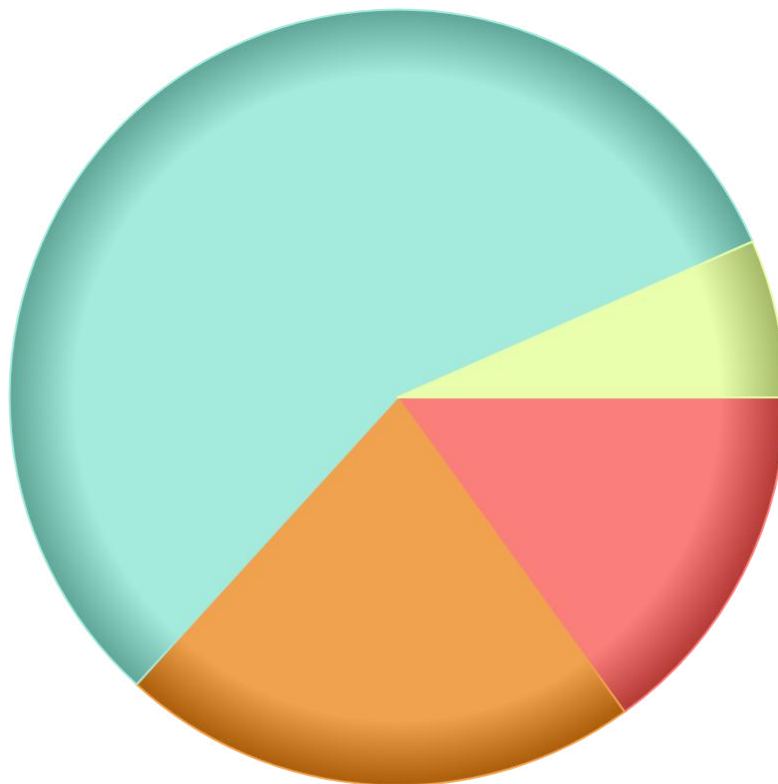
\*in US dollar

Please consider making a donation to support the work of the Henderson Equality Center, that provides essential services to the community.



# Financial Reports

## 2022 Expenses



Wellness Clinic 19,591    Programming 28,275  
Operating Cost 73,833    Event 8,578

\*in US dollar



# Board Of Directors Members / Staff



**Chris Davin**  
**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

Started 2019



**Steve Burford**  
**BOARD**

Started 2022



**Kat Diane Huddleston**  
**SECRETARY**

Started 2019



**John Scharfenberg**  
**BOARD**

Started 2022



**Trevor Harder**  
**YOUTH DIRECTOR**

Started 2019



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**BOARD**

Started 2022





**Greg Watwood**

**BOARD**

**Started 2022**



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**Started 2022**



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**Started 2022**



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**Started 2022**



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**Started 2021**



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