ENCIRCLE
ANNUAL REPORT
2017
embrace and sustain every LGBTQ+ youth, every family, and every community
AT A GLANCE

MONTHLY VISITORS

750

AMOUNT DONATED

$560k
Programs are the heart of Encircle. They’re inspired by research, customized for connection, and designed for every single LGBTQ+ individual.
ELEVATE

Speaker series in which Encircle invites successful, thriving, inspirational LGBTQ+ individuals with diverse backgrounds and life journeys from the community to come and share their story. Elevate gives LGBTQ+ youth a story that they can connect with and relate to, creates the space for parents to attend with their youth, and leaves families feeling inspired and hopeful.

35 AVG. NO. OF ATTENDEES / WEEK
SERVE is a service based program designed to foster connection between youth, their families, and the community at large. As we bring the community and families together through service, we create the space for validation, empathy, and understanding, and we are able to embrace and sustain all members of the community.
60 EDUCATIONAL TOPICS DISCUSSED
21 AVERAGE AGE OF GUESTS

TOOLS TO THRIVE

TOOLS TO THRIVE is a discussion-based program meant to facilitate growth and discovery in an intimate setting where community members can talk openly about the challenges faced by LGBTQ+ people, and their families and friends, and share tools they’ve used to overcome these challenges.
LUNCH WITH LISA is an opportunity for parents of LGBTQ+ children to gather to share sorrows & successes. Parents bring their own lunches and meet together to eat and to talk.
BECOMING is an ongoing program to strengthen understanding and dialogue between gender variant persons and their family members, allies, and community.

95% 97%

GUESTS SAY THEIR UNDERSTANDING OF TOPICS INCREASED
GUESTS FEEL SAFE TO ASK QUESTIONS
We enrich the lives of participants by allowing them to explore the creative arts and experience a variety of cultural events in order to enhance their personal expression and experiences.

**LOVE LOUDER ART SERIES**

**40% TRAVEL FROM OUTSIDE OF UTAH COUNTY**

**MOST WELL-ATTENDED PROGRAMS**
A night of music in which all members of the community are welcome to come sing, play/bring instruments, laugh, and jam together. It is intentionally unstructured, giving an informal and casual feel for families and LGBTQ+ youth to connect through music, a way that speaks to so many people when it might be difficult to find words in a different way.
Writing has the ability to foster creativity, preserve memories, and establish connection in an extremely powerful way. It allows our LGBTQ+ youth to find validation within themselves and for each other.

60%
ATTENDEES IDENTIFY AS GENDER DIVERSE/GENDERFLUID/ETC
Rainbow Mutual is an opportunity for LGBTQIA+ youth, siblings, and allies to come together for a fun monthly event ranging from game nights to petting zoos to talent shows.
Friendship Circles are a safe and confidential space for individuals to come together and share similar life experiences. We currently offer 11 FC’s per week, all specifically designed for various demographics.

96% attendees report feeling connected and supported by their group members and group leaders.

60% attendees feel their families aren’t supportive.
MILESTONES
GRAND OPENING

FEBRUARY 14, 2017
LOVELOUD FESTIVAL

AUGUST 27, 2017

20,000 IN ATTENDANCE
IGNITE SUMMIT

DECEMBER 2017

400

YOUTH

200

VOLUNTEERS
IN THE NEWS
MEET THE MORMON MOM WHO OPENED A RESOURCE CENTER FOR LGBTQ YOUTH

Stephenie Larsen, a Mormon mother of six from Orem, Utah, says she used to think that “being gay was a sin.” Now she joins Megyn Kelly TODAY to talk about why she opened a resource center for LGBTQ youth in Provo. “The No. 1 thing Christ wants us to do is love others,” she explains.

DECEMBER 18, 2017
UPSTANDERS: LOVE FOR ALL IN UTAH

The center, called Encircle, was coming to life in a majestic, two-story, blue-and-white Stick-style house a block away from a large, new Mormon temple. And it was buzzing with activity.

OCTOBER 19, 2017
OUTFRONT: FORMER MORMON OPENS CENTER FOR LGBTQ TEENS, FAMILIES

They called it Encircle LGBTQ+ Family and Youth Resource Center. “No sides, only love,” is its theme.

FEBRUARY 23, 2017
WHY THIS MORMON MOM OPENED AN LGBTQ HOUSE A BLOCK AWAY FROM A CHURCH TEMPLE

“I hope that we can make it easier for gay kids to thrive in America,” says Stephenie Larsen.

OCTOBER 18, 2017
GOALS FOR 2019
John Williams Encircle in Salt Lake City will open on Valentine’s Day.

The house is named in honor of John Williams - a benefactor of Encircle who passed away May 2016.
Encircle St. George has plans to open in 2019 with no official opening date available at this time.
Encircle is larger than Utah. Encircle is needed in states across the nation. In 2019, we’ll be working to bring some of the Encircle experience and original content to those who may not have an Encircle home nearby that they can visit.
ENCIRCLE LIBRARY

We plan to continue to grow our library of resources for youth, families, and the community. Upcoming resources include a new Parent’s Book, a "What About Gender" pamphlet, and a publication inspired by LGBTQ+ youth stories and writings from our BLUE SKY program.
Barb Young
Board Co-Chair

Will Spendlove
Board Co-Chair

Holly Alden
Board Member

Nina Brostrom
Board Secretary

Stephenie Larsen
Founder
## FINANCIALS

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DONATIONS

- 11% Monthly Donors
- 13% Corporate/Foundation Grants
- 18% Special Events
- 58% General Donations
EXPENSES

8.8%  MANAGEMENT & GENERAL

10.8%  FUNDRAISING

80.4%  PROGRAMS
NO SIDES
ONLY
LOVE

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LOCATIONS

PROVO
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JOHN WILLIAMS ENCIRCLE
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