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**Horizons Foundation Launches Vital LGBTQ Organization Directory to Connect Community,
Donors, and Foundations**

San Francisco, CA — Horizons Foundation announced today the launch of a crucial, online LGBTQ Organization Directory designed to be a comprehensive and easily accessible resource for LGBTQ individuals and families, donors, and foundations across the nine counties of the San Francisco Bay Area. Access the directory at <https://www.horizonsfoundation.org/org-directory/>.

While the Bay Area is home to more than 100 LGBTQ nonprofits and programs, there has never existed a single online space where community members, donors, and foundations can easily search, connect with, and donate to LGBTQ services and organizations. Horizons Foundation's new directory aims to fill this gap by providing a centralized, searchable platform for the Bay Area's vibrant LGBTQ ecosystem.

"We created this directory based on two key findings from Horizons' Needs Assessment of the LGBTQ Community of the SF Bay Area," said Francisco Buchting, Horizons Foundation's Vice President of Grants, Programs, and Communications. "First, a significant number of respondents reported feeling disconnected from the LGBTQ community; second, a critical barrier to accessing LGBTQ-friendly or culturally appropriate programs and services was a lack of awareness about what services are available or where they are located. This online directory is designed to be a new vital resource for the LGBTQ community and its nonprofit ecosystem."

The online directory offers a range of benefits for LGBTQ organizations and those searching for them, including:

- **Searchable Profiles:** Each participating organization has a dedicated profile page with contact information, a description of services, and a link to donate directly to the organization.

- **Custom Filters:** The search function includes options to select specific areas of service, geographic locations, and keywords, ensuring that users can easily find the resources that best meet their needs.
- **Increased Visibility:** Because Horizons Foundation is an expert on LGBTQ issues in the SF Bay Area and the premier resource to help inform charitable giving in our community, participating organizations will benefit from increased visibility and promotion among Horizons' network of donors, foundations, Donor Advised Funds, and other partners, ensuring that participating nonprofit organizations receive maximum exposure.

The directory, which currently features almost 100 LGBTQ nonprofits and services in the SF Bay Area, is a free resource open to the public, and eligible LGBTQ organizations and programs can participate at no cost. As a community foundation of, by, and for the LGBTQ community, Horizons Foundation is committed to supporting queer organizations in the Bay Area, and the directory is the latest initiative in its ongoing efforts to strengthen the LGBTQ ecosystem.

Organizations and programs interested in participating in the directory can contact comms@horizonsfoundation.org.

About Horizons Foundation

Horizons Foundation is the first community foundation in the U.S. of, by, and for the LGBTQ+ community. Established in 1980, invests in LGBTQ nonprofits, strengthens a culture of LGBTQ giving, and builds a permanent endowment to secure our community's future. We envision a world where all LGBTQ people live freely and fully. Learn more at horizonfoundation.org.