



## Stonewall Housing

Stonewall Housing works to ensure lesbian, gay, bisexual and trans people live in safer homes, free from fear, and where we can celebrate our identity and support each other to achieve our full potential. We have been doing this as an independent charity since 1983.

### Why is there need for LGBTQ+ specific support

- Parental Rejection, Domestic Abuse and Violence specifically due to sexual orientation and gender identity.
- 77% rejected because of their identity
- LGBTQ+ bullying and hate crimes
- 20-40% of homeless people are LGBTQ+
- 1 in 5 LGBTQ+ people have experienced at least one incident of hate crime
- 70% avoid being open about their identity, which in turn has severe impact on their mental health
- 1 in 8 have people attacked at work
- Authorities and organisations often don't believe LGBTQ+ people and label their risk as "lifestyle" choice, even in cases of exploitation
- Lack of knowledge of LGBTQ+ specific issues results in vulnerable people being afraid to approach charities and authorities for help after facing discrimination

### What we offer

#### ❖ Advice and Advocacy

-Advice line **020 7359 5767** open Monday to Friday 10:00- 13:00

-Referral form on website ( [stonewallhousing.org](http://stonewallhousing.org) ) best way to refer to any of the services

-Cases are Triaged and the issues are either resolved at the initial stage or are escalated to advocacy and get allocated to a worker

#### ❖ Supported Housing

-Currently offered in partnership with Haringey, Islington, Hackney and Newham councils but in specific cases a plan can be discussed with other local authorities if necessary

#### ❖ Training and Consultancy

-Specialised training equipping local authorities and charities with the necessary tools and knowledge to support LGBTQ+ people with challenges relating to their identity.

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❖ **Floating Support**