

The logo for the Opening Doors Project features a horizontal bar with a rainbow gradient. Below the bar, the text "OPENING DOORS" is written in large, white, sans-serif capital letters. Underneath that, "IMPROVING THE LEGAL SYSTEM'S APPROACH TO LGBTQ YOUTH IN FOSTER CARE" is written in smaller, green, sans-serif capital letters. At the bottom, "PROJECT" is written in white, sans-serif capital letters. To the right of the text is a graphic of a white door with a rainbow-colored frame, set against a light green background.

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## Resources

**ABA Center on Children and the Law: Opening Doors for LGBTQ Youth in Foster Care Project:**

<http://new.abanet.org/child/Pages/lgbtq.youth.wheretohelp.education.aspx>

Companion **It's Your Life** interactive site for LGBTQ Youth:

<http://new.abanet.org/child/Pages/lgbtq.youth.aspx>

**National Association of Social Workers (NASW):** Gay, lesbian, bisexual and Transgender Issues:

[www.naswdc.org/diversity/new/glbtc.asp](http://www.naswdc.org/diversity/new/glbtc.asp)

**Williams Institute:** Advances sexual orientation law and public policy through rigorous, independent research and scholarship: [www.law.ucla.edu/williamsinstitute/home.html](http://www.law.ucla.edu/williamsinstitute/home.html)

**Safe Schools Coalition:** state-by-state resource guide: [www.safeschoolscoalition.org/blackboard-organizations.html](http://www.safeschoolscoalition.org/blackboard-organizations.html)

**National Center for Lesbian Rights (NCLR):** LGBT legal developments: [www.nclrights.org/site/PageServer](http://www.nclrights.org/site/PageServer)

(source of "Breaking the Silence" DVD)

**Family Acceptance Project:** research-based, culturally grounded approach to help ethnically, socially and religiously diverse families decrease rejection and increase support for their LGBT children. <http://familyproject.sfsu.edu/>

**Equity Project:** fairness and equality for LGBT youth in juvenile delinquency: [www.equityproject.org](http://www.equityproject.org)

**Lambda Legal:** The nation's oldest and largest legal organization working for the civil rights of lesbians, gay men, and people with HIV/AIDS. [www.lambdalegal.org](http://www.lambdalegal.org)

**Child Welfare League of America (CWLA):** LGBTQ Youth Issues: [www.cwla.org/programs/culture/glbtc.htm](http://www.cwla.org/programs/culture/glbtc.htm)

**American Psychological Association:** Understanding sexual orientation and gender identity:

[www.apa.org/topics/sexuality/index.aspx](http://www.apa.org/topics/sexuality/index.aspx)

**World Professional Health Association for Transgender Health (WPATH):** [www.wpath.org](http://www.wpath.org)

**Trevor Project:** Suicide prevention and Lifeline hotline: 866-4-U-TREVOR (866-488-7346) It Gets Better Campaign:

[www.thetrevorproject.org](http://www.thetrevorproject.org)

**Human Rights Campaign (HRC) - All Children, All Families:** federally-funded, LGBT adoptive and foster parent recruitment initiative. Child welfare agencies can work towards LGBT competence benchmarks and certification.

<http://www.hrc.org/issues/12111.htm>

**Gay and Lesbian Straight Education Network (GLSEN):** Organization for students, parents, and teachers that tries to affect positive change in schools: [www.glsen.org](http://www.glsen.org)

**National CASA:** LGBTQ Issues/Bias in decision-making:

[www.casaforchildren.org/site/c.mtJSJ7MPIsE/b.6152977/k.A9F7/Online\\_Resources.htm](http://www.casaforchildren.org/site/c.mtJSJ7MPIsE/b.6152977/k.A9F7/Online_Resources.htm)

**YES Institute:** the source of education on gender and orientation: [www.yesinstitute.org](http://www.yesinstitute.org)

**Harvard Implicit Association Test:** scientific test of implicit associations on gender and orientation.

<https://implicit.harvard.edu/implicit/demo/>

**The Downs Group LLC:** make "hard-to-place" & "unadoptable" words of the past:

[www.downsconsultinggroup.com](http://www.downsconsultinggroup.com)