

Equality Justice Dignity



Keshet
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For LGBTQ
equality in
Jewish life



Keshet works for the full equality of all LGBTQ Jews and our families in Jewish life.

We strengthen Jewish communities. We equip Jewish organizations with the skills and knowledge to build LGBTQ-affirming communities; create spaces in which all queer Jewish youth feel seen and valued; and advance LGBTQ rights nationwide.



Empowering Teens

Being a teenager can be hard. For queer Jewish teens, the social pressures to fit in or the anxieties of standing out may feel even harder.

Keshet's Shabbaton weekend retreats give LGBTQ and ally Jewish teens the opportunity to exhale; to find their place and their voice as emerging Jewish leaders.

"Keshet didn't just make me feel wanted or like I could exist. Keshet made me feel like I could be a leader."

- Jake Cohen, 16, Mill Valley, CA

Transforming Institutions

Many Jewish institutions want to be inclusive but don't know how. Keshet works with rabbis, educators, and other leaders in synagogues, Jewish day schools, JCCs, youth movements, summer camps, and other community institutions to ensure that LGBTQ Jews are seen, respected, and affirmed in Jewish communities nationwide.

"Thanks to Keshet, our campers and their families know that they will be fully embraced for who they are."

- Sheryl Kirschenbaum,
Director of Surprise Lake Camp
Cold Spring, NY





Advocating for LGBTQ Rights

Although we have seen tremendous progress in recent decades, we still have far to go to achieve full legal equality for LGBTQ people nationwide.

Keshet mobilizes the Jewish community to protect our hard won rights and advance LGBTQ equality across the country.

“Keshet successfully brought out the largest canvass ever on a transgender-specific policy issue or campaign I’ve seen in my 20 years of organizing. Keshet was an extraordinary part of the Yes on 3 coalition and made an incredible impact on all facets of the campaign.”

- Amy Mello, VP of Public Engagement of Freedom for All Americans

**We strengthen.
We advocate.**

**We nourish.
We spark change.**



Keshet envisions a world in which all LGBTQ Jews and our families can live with full equality, justice, and dignity.

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