

LBQ MOVEMENT HIGHLIGHTS

Lesbian, Bisexual and Queer (LBQ) activists are doing important work. However, we are often forgotten and underfunded by both women's rights donors and LGBTQI donors.

Below, we* share some of the brilliant visions of freedom that we are creating as well as introduce you to some of the pillars of our work.

* We are a diverse range of more than 100 LBQ activists from around the world. Our ideas and experiences have been gathered through interviews, surveys and in-person meetings in 2016 and 2017. Astraea Lesbian Foundation for Justice and Mama Cash coordinated and supported the analysis presented here.

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1 — OUR VISIONS OF LIBERATION

THE FUTURE



We envision a future where we are self-determined - meaning we want control over our own lives; we want to be unshackled from oppression, occupation, colonisation, and apartheid. We want communities where violence, racism, torture, homophobia, transphobia and misogyny are replaced by peace and equality.

We envision a future where we have bodily autonomy and safety - that means having full control over our bodies and the makeup of our families. We envision a sex positive future - where sexual and reproductive choice and freedom is available to all.



We envision a safe future - one where we don't have to live in fear of being ostracised. We envision a future where LBQ women and LBQ gender non-conforming peoples have access to the money they need to live.

We envision a future where we have the power to build healthy and well-balanced relationships with our families, our communities and our work. We envision a future where we live in close connection with the Earth, to nature and to our surrounding communities.

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2 — WHO WE ARE

STRENGTHS



We, the lesbian, bi-sexual and queer (LBQ) global activists are committed to building intersectional movements.

The term intersectionality describes the overlapping social identities that we all embody, such as race, class, (dis)ability, sexuality and gender. By committing to an intersectional movement, we're dedicated to fighting against the intersecting layers of oppression our constituents face.



We organise collectively and build strategies with activists across regions. We're great at facilitating dialogue and collaborating with other movements. This type of strategic thinking is what helps us achieve our movement goals.

We also find smart ways to increase the visibility of other LBQ women and LBQ gender non-conforming (GNC) people and support them and their focused efforts to build power from the ground up.

3 — WHAT WE'LL FOCUS ON

PRIORITIES

Education

- Leadership training and skills building
- LBQ-inclusive advocacy and education
- Youth engagement, youth leadership and skills building
- Popular education with LBQ women and LBQ GNC peoples and communities

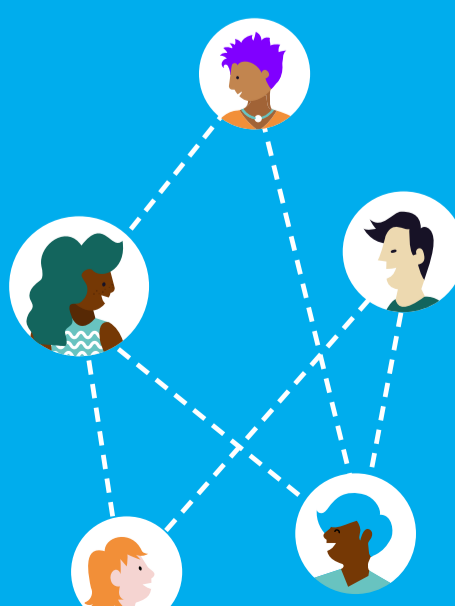


Safety & Wellness

- Wellness of activists and communities
- Mental health support services
- Building community spaces to organise and socialise
- Security of women, GNC peoples, and LGBTQI activists
- Addressing state-sanctioned violence against activists

Building our Movements

- Collaborations within the Global South
- Fostering an intersectional LGBTQI movement
- Fostering an inclusive and intersectional women's rights movement
- Legal advocacy
- Communications, including media literacy and visibility
- Conducting research and gathering data
- Strategising to address the criminalisation of dissent
- Strategising to resist militarisation and occupation of communities
- Finding and securing resources



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Advocacy

Advocacy campaigns, know your rights trainings, documentation of violence, etc.

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Popular Education

Community dialogues, educational LGBTQI inclusive materials, workshops in community and schools, etc.

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Cross-Movement Collaboration

Information and learning exchanges, building South-South partnerships, etc.

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Skills & Knowledge Building

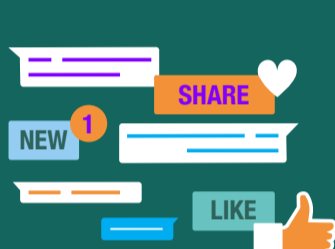
Organisational development, security trainings, leadership trainings, research, etc.

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Strategic Communications

Media literacy trainings, social media campaigns, publications, etc.

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Philanthropic Advocacy

Donor engagement, donor education.

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Cultural Production

Art workshops, campaigns, and exhibits with LBQ women and LBQ GNC people.

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Language Justice

Translation of materials, holding meetings in local languages, etc.

5 — WHAT WE'LL NEED TO MAKE IT HAPPEN

NEEDS & WANTS

Money

Funding
Donor education on LBQ movements

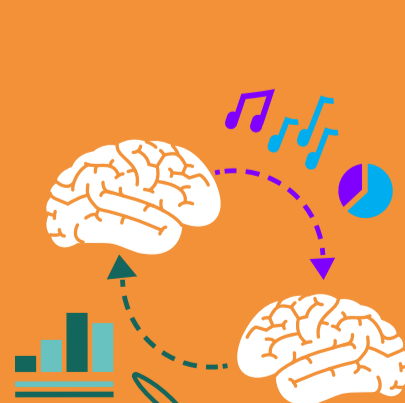


Community building & collaboration

Networking and information sharing between activists
South-to-South learning exchanges between activists and movements
Cross-movement dialogues
Secure community spaces

Skills and Knowledge building

Self-care and burnout prevention
"Know your rights" trainings
Sessions to build perspectives around power, human rights and social change



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