

## OUR GOALS

- Work with the Seattle Police Department to improve public safety for the LGBTQ community.
- Ensure open communication that builds trust between our communities and the Seattle Police Department.
- Work to eliminate phobias, 'isms', or negative stereotypes that exist within the LGBTQ community and the Seattle Police Department with education, involvement, and positive interactions.
- Integrate LGBTQ concerns and issues into the training and development of Seattle Police Department personnel, including recruitment from within the LGBTQ community.
- Promote and encourage officer training with regard to cultural competency while expanding the community's understanding of the practices and policies of the police department.

## OUR ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Developed tear off tags and wallet cards that were distributed to LGBTQ communities with information about reporting Bias Crimes.
- Worked with King County Department of Adult Detention to ensure transgendered arrestees receive safe and appropriate care while in custody.
- Sponsored a number of forums specific to the needs of the community.
- Opened communication and established on-going relationships with bar owners in the Capitol Hill area.
- Worked with SPD Domestic Violence Unit to ensure that investigations of DV incidents were gender neutral.

# SEATTLE POLICE DEPARTMENT LGBTQ ADVISORY COUNCIL

*To promote mutual understanding, respect, education and communication between the LGBTQ community and the Seattle Police Department in service to our respective communities.*

Formed in 1997, the LGBTQ Advisory Council was created to work with the Department on issues of concern, and to share insights and recommendations that could impact relationships between the Seattle Police Department and minority communities. Council members worked together to create their own agendas, and strategized ways for making police services more responsive to the needs of their communities.

Today the LGBTQ Advisory Council is one of ten advisory councils that work cooperatively with the department. In addition to the LGBTQ Advisory Council the Seattle Police Department also supports the following councils:

African American, East African, Southeast Asian, Korean, Filipino, Muslim, Sikh & Arab, Native American, Latino, and Youth Outreach.



## CONTACTS & MORE INFO

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### GET INVOLVED

For more information about meeting times, Council Board Members, and upcoming events, please visit:

**LGBTQ Council Website:**

[www.seattle.gov/police/programs/advisory/LGBTQ/](http://www.seattle.gov/police/programs/advisory/LGBTQ/)



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