

# TRANSGENDER PEOPLE



have the **RIGHT** to **LOVE,**  
& to be loved.

The right to express ourselves in loving relationships—with friends, family and significant others—is essential to human life. All people have the right to love whomever they wish, regardless of gender identity and sexual orientation, and to be loved in return.

Transgender people can legally marry an opposite gender partner in almost every state but today these marriages are not always respected. People in same sex relationships continue to face legal barriers to marriage in almost every part of the country. The right to have and protect our personal relationships should not be based on our gender or the gender of our partners.

At NCTE, we believe that all people have the right to loving relationships, however they define them.

*See United Nations' Declaration of Human Rights, Article 16*

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