

# RECOMMENDATIONS

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MATERIALS FOR YOUNG LGTBI+  
ROMA IN EUROPE

# THE ROMA COMMUNITY IS ALSO DIVERSE: FORMING YOUTHWORKERS FOR INCLUSION



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# RIGHTS

Unfortunately, Roma LGBTI people are subjected to threats, harassment, direct violence... There are different levels of risks and dangers, and it is necessary to be able to address the specific problems that the collective faces. It is necessary to guarantee the human rights and lives of Roma LGBTI people. We present a battery of proposals as a recommendation, both individually and collectively, knowing and fighting the systems that cause it, savage capitalism, homophobia, racism, antigypsyism, classism...

## Defense of Rights:

These are rights that are sometimes violated. No additional rights are required, but the fulfillment of the same rights that are included in the universal bill of human rights 1948

LGTBI Roma people are denied civil, social, political, economic, social and cultural rights.

Right to **equal rights**

Right **not to be discriminated**

Right **not to suffer violence**

Right **not to be harassed**

Rights to **personal development**

Right to **life**

Rights to **freedom of movement**

Right to **protection against illegal arrests**

Right **not to suffer degrading treatment**

Right to **fair trial**

Right to **privacy**

Right to **work**

Right to **mental and physical health**

Right to **start a family**

**Education rights**

Right to **defend these rights**

# THREATS AND VULNERABILITY

Threats are statements or indications of intention to harm, punish, hurt, harm. Threats can turn into direct attacks

If you receive threats or know someone close to you who is receiving them because of their LGBTBI status, you should seek help and protection to put an end to the threat and recognize the perpetrator of it.

You can get in touch with the different LGBTBI associations and Roma associations in your city.

<https://www.gitanasfeministas.org/>

<http://diverseyouthnetwork.eu/>

<https://glasfoundation.bg/en/>

<https://e-romnja.ro/>

<https://ververipendiversity.wordpress.com/>

<https://fundaciontriangulo.org/>

You can also contact the nearest local authorities to report what is happening.

**Remember,** when you go to make a complaint, be accompanied by an activist, human rights defender or lawyer to prevent possible situations of harassment, threats and discrimination

# AGRESSION AND VIOLENCE

If you suffer or have suffered attacks, **remember:** Act as safely as possible, in the face of possible reactions choose the safest option.

In the face of aggression, the **FIRST IS YOU.**

→ If you are alone, call a friend and health emergencies.

→ If you think there is a possibility of being assaulted, find a safe place, contact the police, communicate your location to friends, family and trusted supports. They can escort you to a safe place.

After suffering the aggression, you need to recover both physically and emotionally. It is necessary to recover confidence and security.

In the event of a complaint, it offers all the detailed information: what happened, who participated, where it happened, at what time, vehicle license plates, physical descriptions and any detail that you remember may be important. If you have been able to record, save a copy and deliver it to the authorities.

To report, the sooner it is done, the more useful it will be for proceeding with the investigation.



When you go to report, it is very important that you as a victim tell them why you think it is a hate crime:

→ If they called you any pejorative word about being lesbian, gay, bisexual or transsexual or roma.

→ If they made any move laughing at being effeminate or roma.

→ Any other indication that you noticed why they attacked you and you believe that they chose you for being a LGTBI Roma (being out of a nightclub, you were holding on to your friend/partner, you were wearing any indication of visibility such as lgtbi or roma flag,...)

If you have not reported immediately, do not worry, the **FIRST THING IS YOU**, your safety and your recovery. You can do it later.

In case of insecurity, do not go to the police station or report the fact, contact agents who can advise and protect you.

Contact associations for human rights, LGTBI and Roma associations to communicate the case and be able to make a public complaint if you consider it so. This part is important to do collectively, do not do it through your social networks, this can put you in a greater situation of vulnerability and harassment.

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