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Pacific Pride Foundation Collaborates with Local Organizations to Recognize Transgender Day of Remembrance

Santa Barbara, Calif., Nov. 15, 2018 – Pacific Pride Foundation (PPF), providing programs and services to more than 10,000 people in Santa Barbara County, is collaborating with Santa Barbara Trans Advocacy Network (SBTAN) and Lisa's Place to host an event for Transgender Day of Remembrance.

On Tuesday, Nov. 20 at 5:00 p.m. all are welcome to gather under the archway of the Santa Barbara courthouse for a candlelight vigil and to read the names of transgender individuals who were murdered in the past year worldwide due to anti-transgender hate and violence.

The event will start with music by Ezra Michel followed by opening remarks from Lisa Gilinger. All are welcome for this free, peaceful event.

To learn more about Transgender Day of Remembrance, visit:

<https://web.archive.org/web/20120409032158/http://www.rememberingourdear.org/day/what.html>

PPF is the largest LGBTQ+ center between Los Angeles and San Francisco, serving all of Santa Barbara County, and partnering with 35 other educational and nonprofit agencies to create a thriving and visible LGBTQ+ community and prevent the transmission of HIV and HEP-C. PPF provides services and programs to more than 10,000 clients in the inclusive and diverse LGBTQ+ community including youth programs, elder programs, counseling services, sensitivity trainings, community events, and advocacy on LGBTQ+ issues.

PPF directly prevents the transmission of disease through its HIV/AIDS and HEP-C testing and prevention outreach and education, delivering 1300 free tests in the past year. PPF is the leader in programs for LGBTQ+ youth, serving 200 kids with mental health, suicide prevention, and anti-bullying programs, while providing them with a safe place and leadership opportunities. PPF is addressing the opioid crisis through the only clean needle exchange program in the county, which collects about 100,000 used needles every year, and

distributing Narcan kits, which have saved 90 people from potentially fatal overdoses in the past year.

For more information or to make a donation please visit <https://pacificpridefoundation.org>