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Community Resources

Health and Wellness Organizations

AIDS Vancouver
tel:604.696.4691 **web:** http://www.aidsvancouver.org/what-we-do

- Provides services for people living with HIV
- Support programs, including counseling and case management

Bute Street Clinic at QMUNITY
1170 Bute St.**tel**: 604.707.2796

- Provides free and confidential HIV, STIC & HCV testing
- Walk-ins accepted, Monday to Friday between 1am and 4:30pm

Canadian Mental Health Association
tel: 604.688.3234 **email**: info@cmha.bc.ca
web: http://www.cmha.ca/

- Five branches providing support to people living with mental illness in the Vancouver area – two in Vancouver, North Vancouver, New Westminster & Richmond

Coast Foundation Society
293 East 11th Ave. **tel:** 604-872-3502
web: www.coastfoundation.com

- Establishing public, private and non-profit partnerships to secure resources to provide more housing, jobs and other community services for people with a mental illness.

Mental Health Services Crisis Line
tel: 604.872.3311 **toll-free**: 1.866.611.3311

- Immediate, telephone support for people

Friends for Life Society
1459 Barclay St. **tel:** 604-682-5992
email: info@friendsforlife.ca

- Services and programs with a holistic approach to health for people living with HIV/AIDS and cancer, and their families, friends, and caregivers.

Health Initiative for Men
tel: 604.488.1001**web:** http://checkhimout.ca/

- Services for gay and bisexual men
- Peer support, professional counselling& personal strategic advising
- Drop-in programming – condom packing, discussion groups & more

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Healing Our Spirit – BC Aboriginal HIV/AIDS Society
tel: 604.879.8888 **email**: info@healingourspirit.org

- Services and resources for Aboriginal people
- HIV/AIDS prevention
- Provides care, treatment, support services and increased community accessibility to HIV/AIDS

IDC at St. Paul's Hospital
tel: 604.806.8060

- Primary, integrated care and support for HIV-positive patients
- Appointments with family doctors, specialists, nurses, pharmacists, counsellors, social workers, and nutritionists

Motivational and Power Achievement Society
122 Powell St. **tel:** 604.482.3700
web: http://www.mpa-society.org/

- Supports people living with mental illness
- Offers licensed care, supported housing, independent living and court advocacy

Peer Navigator Program
tel: 604.908.7710 **email:** navigators@positiveliningbc.org
web: http://www.positivelivingbc.org/service/peer-navigators

- Services for people recently diagnosed with HIV
- One-to-one support program designed to improve emotional health, support HIV management, including decisions about starting treatment, develop disclosure strategies, and support overall well-being

Pender Community Health Clinic
59 W Pender St. **tel:** 604.669.9181

- Specialized treatment of addiction, HCV, and HIV/AIDS
- Doctors, nurses, and counselors are available.

Positive Living BC
tel: 604.893.2200**email**: clinic@positivelivingbc.org
web:http://www.positivelivingbc.org/services

- Services for members people living with HIV
- Daily drop-in services, including the lounge & internet café
- Advocacy services for support with income, housing, health care access, discrimination & end of life planning
- Health and wellness sessions, including acupuncture, massage therapy, naturopathy, nutrition, dentistry, dental hygiene, Tai Chi, Thai Yoga, massage, Reiki, and yoga
- Social groups specific to poz men

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Qmunity: *Services for queer communities*
tel: 604.684.5307 **web:** http://www.qmunity.ca/home/eventsgroupsandprograms/

- Community groups, including those related to addictions, bereavement and social groups
- Free, by appointment counseling provided by clinical counselors and social workers
- Legal clinic

Spectrum Health
702-1080 Howe St. **tel:** 604.681.1180

- Primary health care, with queer- and positive-friendly physicians

West End Mental Health Teams:
1555 Robson St. **tel:** 604-687-7994

- Individual and group mental health rehabilitation services in the areas of personal life, leisure, education and work
- Services include individualized mental health screening and assessment; rehabilitation goal-setting; basic support (access to activities); rehabilitation readiness assessment (exploration of service options, building confidence); rehabilitation processes (assistance with goal achievement) ongoing support, referral to other services and advocacy.

Vancouver Addictions Matrix Program (VAMP)
Three Bridges Community Health Centre
1292 Hornby St. **tel:** 604.714.3480 **email:** vamp@vch.ca

- A 16-week outpatient stimulant addiction treatment program.
- This day/evening program offers group treatment, along with individual counselling sessions.
- Offers a youth stream which serves youth aged 16 thought 25 and a stream serving gay/bi men stream.
- Clients can either self-refer or they can be referred by an agency. Please call for program referrals, promotional materials and/or to book a presentation.

YouthCO HIV and Hep C Community Outreach
tel: 604.688.1441 **email:** support@youthoco.org
web: http://youthco.org

- Services for people living with and affected by HIV aged 15 to 29.
- One-to-one peer counseling, group support, harm reduction, community referrals

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Social Groups

Cutting Edges
web: http://www.thecuttingedges.com/

- Gay men of all skill levels and ages welcome
- Clean, violence-free hockey with opportunities to develop skills and play other teams throughout North America

TAZMen
web: http://tazmen.com/

- outdoor activities and indoor workshops at retreats to promote affectionate, unmediated experiential communication

Frontrunners
web: http://www.vancouverfrontrunners.org/

- safe and friendly environment for the LGBT community and friends to run and walk together

Not So Strictly Ballroom
email: notsostrictly@hotmail.com web: http://notsostrictlyballroom.ca

- Same-sex dancing lessons and social events

Out and About
web: http://www.oavancouver.org/

- Outdoor activities for gay men

Out for Kicks
web: http://www.outforkicks.ca/

- GLBT-friendly recreational soccer club

Pinoy Pride Vancouver
email: pinoypridevan@yahoo.ca
facebook: https://www.facebook.com/pinoypride.vancouver

- Social group for Filipino-Canadian LGBTQs, families, friends and supporters

Planet Lambda Sci-Fi Club
email: PlanetLambdaVancouver-subscribe@yahoogroups.com
web: http://groups.yahoo.com/group/PlanetLambdaVancouver/

- Queer sci-fi club that enjoys science fiction books, movies and television shoes

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Sher Vancouver
email: shervancouver@hotmail.com **web:** http://www.shervancouver.com/

- Social, cultural and support group for gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender South Asians and their friends, families and allies
- All are welcome regardless of ethnicity, religious beliefs or sexuality

Vancouver Gaymers
email: organizers@vancouvergaymer.ca **web:** http://www.vancouvergaymers.ca/

- Videogames, board games, card games, movies and local events for queers and allies

Vancouver Men's Chorus
tel: (604) 669.SING (7464) **web:** http://www.vancouvermenschorus.ca/

- Canada's first gay chorus that welcomes singing and non-singing members

Vancouver Prime Timers
tel: 604-738-1956 **web:** http://www.vancouverprimetimers.com/

- Active social and recreation group for gay and bi men, 35 and up

Vancouver Single Gay Men
email: nick@wovenland.ca **web:** http://gayvancouver.ning.com/

- Online social network for single gay men interested in a low key and friendly social alternative

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Spiritual & Religious Groups

6th Ave United Church of New West
1111 Sixth Ave, New Westminster **tel:** 604-522-3443
web: http://www.wondercafe.ca/churches/shiloh-sixth-avenue

- Preaches a progressive theology where everyone is accepted

Christ Alive Community Church
1155 Thurlow St. **email:** pastor@christalive.ca **web:** http://www.christalive.ca/

- inspiring worship services at this all inclusive Christian denomination

Christ Church Cathedral
690 Burrard St. **email:** office@cathedral.vancouver.bc.ca
web: http://www.cathedral.vancouver.bc.ca/index.htm

- Inclusive, joyous Anglican services on Sunday and throughout the week

Dignity Vancouver Dignité
tel: 604 432-1230 **email:** **vancouver@dignitycanada.org**
web: www.dignitycanada.org/chapters.html#vancouver

- Support group for gay, lesbian and bisexual Catholics.

Gay Warriors
1140 Jervis St **web:** http://health.groups.yahoo.com/group/gaywarriors/

- Gay Men's Talking Circle for all men who identify as Two Spirits or gay men are welcome

Integrity Vancouver
tel: 604.432.1230 **email:** vancouver@integritycanada.org
web: http://www.vancouver.integritycanada.org

- Worshipping and justice-seeking community of GLBT Anglicans and our friends that provides a place of welcome for all people, particularly those who have been excluded or even shunned by the church because of their sexual orientation or gender identification

Rainbow Community Church of Vancouver
530 Kingsway **email:** info@rainbowcommunitychurch.ca
web: http://rainbowcommunitychurch.ca/vancouver/

- Everyone welcome to this Christian evangelical and inclusive church dedicated to spreading the love and teachings of Jesus throughout the world

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Renaissance Christian Church
409 East Broadway **email:** renaissance@telus.net

- Accepting and welcoming Christian church with a relaxed dress code

Salaam
email: imtiazpopat@mybc.com **web:** http://groups.yahoo.com/group/salaamat/

- Provides a safe space for all queer Muslims in the Lower Mainland

SGI Pride Group
email: hedgie@intergate.ca **web:** http://www.sgicanada.org

- For everyone who identifies as queer and Buddhist

St. Andrew's Wesley United Church
1022 Nelson St. **email:** office.staw@telus.net
web: http://www.standrewswesleychurch.bc.ca/index.shtml

- Queer friendly and accepting denomination in the Lower Mainland that features weekly services, bible study and social action events

The Word is OUT
email: curt.allison@expresspersonnel.com

- Faith and fellowship group for queer Christians that meets twice a month for worship, fellowship and to meet and make friends with likeminded individuals

Vancouver Radical Faeries
email: info@bcradfae.ca **web:** http://www.bcradfae.ca/

- Self-identified queer men-loving-men dedicated to building spiritual intimacy in their relationships, celebrate sexuality and play with ideas about gender

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