

**TGI Network**



## TGI Network of Rhode Island Monthly Newsletter April 2018

Dear Friends,

I'm excited to say that the 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Empowerment Breakfast for Transgender Day of Visibility was a profound success! We gathered with community members and generous sponsors at the Southside Cultural Center on March 31<sup>st</sup> for a delicious breakfast provided by Amos House's More than a Meal Catering where we were excited to present our 2018 Empowerment Awards to Samson Hampton (pictured right) and Representative Edith Ajello (in absentia).



Transgender Day of Visibility emerged in 2009 as a means to provide an uplifting, celebratory gathering to counter the more somber tone of the Transgender Day of Remembrance held each November. This event was both a wonderful celebration as well as a source of empowering funding that will allow TGI Network to expand our work to better serve our community.

We are starting our new non-binary support group in April (please email [borderlands@tginetwork.org](mailto:borderlands@tginetwork.org) for more information) and will soon hold a training session to bring more people in as support group facilitators. In the next few months, we will be working to establish three-year goals. We will look for community feedback as we engage in that process and set our priorities.

Stay tuned for more information (and don't forget to "like" us on Facebook and follow us on Twitter!

With love,  
Ethan Huckel  
Board President



Friends from Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Rhode Island pose with Ethan at the Empowerment Breakfast

### Save the Date!

April 16

Visit us at RIC's  
Pride Week

April 17

Borderlands Group  
Nonbinary Group

April 21

Borderlands Group

April 28

RI Trans Health  
Conference

May 1

Borderlands Group

May 5

Borderlands Group

May 15

Borderlands Group  
Nonbinary Group

May 19

Borderlands Group

May 29

Family Support and  
Resource Meeting

### Contact us!

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Partners' Support?

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**trans health conference**  
2018

Sat, April 28, 2018  
7:30 AM - 5:00 PM

Rhode Island College  
600 Mt. Pleasant Ave  
Roberts Hall Auditorium  
Providence, RI 02908

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more information!