# Break the Cycle

**Because Everyone Deserves a Healthy Relationship** 

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Despite growing numbers of youth openly disclosing that they identify as lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer or questioning (LGBTQ)\* during their school-age years, LGBTQ\* youth remain a vulnerable population across the nation.

### WHY LGBTQ\* INCLUSIVITY MATTERS





# 17% OF LGB HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS experience physical dating violence; that's 2x more than their heterosexual peers





# ABOUT 23% OF LGB HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS experience sexual dating violence; that's over 2x that of their heterosexual peers





## 28% OF LGB HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS report being electronically bullied





## ALMOST 13% OF LGB HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

did not go to school because they felt unsafe at or on their way to or from school





## LGB high school students reported being physically forced to have sexual intercourse

### OVER 3X MORE THAN

their heterosexual peers





### ABOUT 34% OF LGB HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

have been bullied on school property





In a study of over 150,000 students at 27 universities,

### TRANSGENDER INDIVIDUALS

#### EXPERIENCED THE HIGHEST RATE

of sexual assault at 24%

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## ALMOST 16% OF TRANSGENDER INDIVIDUALS

experienced controlling behavior from a partner

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# LGBTQ high school and college students REPORT CONSIDERABLY MORE SEXUAL HARASSMENT THAN HETEROSEXUAL STUDENTS

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# Members of the LGBTQ community ARE AT AN INCREASED RISK OF SEXUAL VIOLENCE ON COLLEGE CAMPUSES

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### 30.3% of LGBTQ college students

## EXPERIENCED PHYSICAL DATING VIOLENCE compared to 12.9% of heterosexual college students

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Break the Cycle inspires and supports young people to build healthy relationships and create a culture without abuse.

Our dynamic and diverse team believes that all young people deserve to live in a world where they can thrive.

Our values and work centers young people and their lived realities, leadership, vision, and hopes for the future.

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