

AUGUST 2025



KSCOPE

# KALEIDOSCOPE

## Out and About Newsletter

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### What We Do

Kaleidoscope is a community-based LGBTQIA+ program that offers monthly meetings and ongoing virtual platforms in a welcoming atmosphere where teens and young adults like you can find support, guidance, and a sense of community.

Kaleidoscope provides a safe, supportive environment for queer and allied teens and young adults to gather, socialize, organize, and help each other!

See the **CALENDAR** on the next page for meeting dates and times!

Interested in Joining?

Email us at:

[kaleidoscope@centerffs.org](mailto:kaleidoscope@centerffs.org)

To stay up to date on upcoming events and community resources, follow Kaleidoscope on [Facebook!](#)



<https://www.facebook.com/KaleidoscopeNJ/>



*“It’s really nice not having to worry about how other people think of you in regards to your identity.”*

**-Kaleidoscope Attendee**

### DON'T MISS OUT:

## BE YOURSELF, BUILD YOURSELF

A free event for youth and young adults to invest in themselves in an affirming atmosphere!

**Saturday, September 13, 2025**

**11am-3pm**

**Center For Family Services' PRIDE Center**

2205 Pennington Rd, Ewing, NJ 08638

Join the PRIDE Center for Be Yourself, Build Yourself, a FREE dynamic and affirming back-to-school event for 25 youth and young adults ages 13-21!

Attend workshops on resilience-building, self-empowerment, boundary-setting, reducing queer burnout, and more! Get professional headshots on-site and leave with a gift card for an affirming haircut and makeover and a free one-on-one appointment to create or strengthen your resume. Enjoy games, food, giveaways, and connecting with others in your community all at no cost to you!

Our goal is to create a space where queer youth and young adults feel seen, supported, and celebrated as they step into new chapters.



<https://forms.gle/j2AJqdVfbahQTQh8>

For more information or to register, please scan the QR Code!

If you have any questions, feel free to email us at [pride-center@centerffs.org](mailto:pride-center@centerffs.org)

This event made possible through funding from NJ's Department of Children and Families Division on Women



# August 2025



**KALEIDOSCOPE**

serving LGBTQIA+ teens and young adults

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3	4	5	6	7 Mercer County Youth Meeting 6-8pm	8 Camden County Young Adult Meeting 6-8pm	9
10 Gay Uncles Day	11	12	13	14	15 NEW! Rainbow Roots 6-8pm	16
17	18	19	20 Southern HIV/AIDS Awareness Day	21	22 Camden County Youth Meeting 6-8pm	23
24	25	26	27	28 Mercer County Young Adult Meeting 6-8pm	29	30
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- **August 7th: Mercer County Youth Meeting.** Meetings are open to youth ages 12-17 and will be from 6-8pm.
- **August 8th: Camden County Young Adult Meeting.** Meetings are open to young adults ages 18-24 and will be from 6-8pm in out in Voorhees.
- **August 15th: Rainbow Roots.** This NEW group is for children with LGBTQIA2S+ caregivers. Meetings are open to school-aged children and their adults, and will be from 6-8pm in Camden County.
- **August 22nd: Camden County Youth Meeting.** Meetings are open to youth ages 12-17 and will be from 6-8pm out in Voorhees.
- **August 28th: Mercer County Young Adult Meeting.** Meetings are open to young adults ages 18-24 and will be from 6-8pm.
- **Virtual groups may be offered.** Please email **Kaleidoscope.Morris-Sussex@centerffs.org** for more information!



Click the link below to learn how to join Providence Treatment's Telehealth LGBTQIA+ Group!

<https://www.facebook.com/share/p/15Y14gU3yJ/>

## Event Recaps



Kaleidoscope and PRIDE Center staff had a blast talking to hundreds of students at **the Trenton Central High School Mental Health, Wellness, and Positive Youth Development Fair!** Thank you to everyone who stopped by our table to learn more about the resources available to you at Center For Family Services, and to the organizers for having us there!



***Haddon Township Pride Group Photo***





**Kaleidoscope had so much fun with our teens and young adults at our Quarterly OUT AND ABOUT Events last month!**

**The young adults enjoyed bowling and pizza, and our teens had fun playing indoor mini golf! Email us at [kaleidoscope@centerffs.org](mailto:kaleidoscope@centerffs.org) to join Kaleidoscope so you can tag along at the next ones!**



30 Strikes Lanes  
Stratford, NJ



Monster Mini  
Golf Cherry Hill,





# Community Events

LIFE THROUGH  
DIFFERENT  
LENSES PEER  
SUPPORT GROUP  
PRESENTS

family

FUN  
NIGHT

AT PCIL'S MERCER OFFICE

TUESDAY AUGUST 5<sup>TH</sup>, 2025

5:30PM-7:30PM

Bring the whole family and friends for a fun filled night. Registration is required!

Event Highlights

OUTDOOR GAMES & ACTIVITIES  
BUILD YOUR OWN NACHOS & REFRESHMENTS  
MUSIC  
FREE!!!!

Make sure to bring a lawn chair!

FOR REGISTRATION: 609-581-4500 OR WWW.PCIL.ORG

FREE // VIRTUAL

NJ NAME CHANGE  
INFORMATIONAL SESSION

William Chanes Martinez, Esq.

Sat. Aug. 2nd  
11am

[gse.lgbt/infosession2](https://gse.lgbt/infosession2)

NEW JERSEY  
LGBTQ+ YOUTH  
CONFERENCE

FRIDAY, AUGUST 8

BELL WORKS, HOLMDEL, NJ

[gse.lgbt/youth25](https://gse.lgbt/youth25)

Youth Ages 14-21

SEPT  
07  
2025  
12-6PM

SOUTH  
NEW JERSEY GAY PRIDE

OUT IN THE PARK

COOPER RIVER PARK, VICTIMS OF TERRORISM  
SITE, N. PARK DRIVE, CHERRY HILL, NJ

MORE INFO & VENDOR APPLICATION @  
[JERSEYGAYPRIDE.COM](https://JERSEYGAYPRIDE.COM)

25<sup>th</sup> Jersey City  
LGBTQ+  
ANNUAL Pride Festival

MORE THAN AN EVENT, WE ARE A MOVEMENT

August 28<sup>th</sup>, 2025 (1-9pm)

Our 2025 Theme:  
SPEAK UP!  
STAND FIRM!  
STAY STRONG!

Help is just a call away.

**NJ PRISM**, a statewide hotline providing information and referrals to New Jersey's LGBTQIA+ Community, offers resources including prevention and support services, medical care access needs, community safe space groups, advocacy and legal resources.

**NOTE: The hotline is only live answered from 8am-6pm, Monday-Friday. If you call during hours of non-operation, you can leave a message that will be returned the next business day.**

**Get connected by calling 844.NJPRISM (657.7476) today!**



**You can make a difference in the lives of LGBTQIA+ youth and young adults.**

**Your gift in any amount will create a supportive, affirming environment for a young person seeking community with other members of the LGBTQIA+ community.**

**If you are interested in donating, scan the QR Code to access the Center for Family Services donation page. At the bottom of the page there is an option to select "Donate to a Specific Program" and you can note that you'd like your donation to be for Kaleidoscope.**



<https://centerffs.org/get-involved/donate>