

# The 1998 ETVC Transgender Resources Catalog

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## The Credits

This guide was created by Nicole and Debbie Cook. However a number of people put time into creating some of the resources I used to pull it together. First of all, those of you who get the DVG tip sheet will notice many similarities. That is not a coincidence, the entire DVG tip sheet is included here. If you are on Tgforum, you will notice some common entries, again that's where I got them. Juana put together an article about places to stay in one of last years Channels. Most of the hotels are from that article. You will also see a number of places from Darcy's "Out on the Town" articles in the Channel. Some of the entries are Followed by a (\*) which means they came out of the FTM Resource guide developed by FTM International Inc. So thank you to all the contributors !

## Section 1 - Out on the Town

In section one I have tried to capture the TG night life possibilities in San Francisco and the surrounding areas. While the experience at these establishment may differ from visit to visit, we have tried to list all the places where the experience was fun.

### Part 1 - Restaurants

#### Amira

(415) 621-6213

590 Valencia at 17th St., San Francisco, CA

Nice little Middle-Eastern restaurant with a Belly Dancing show on Wednesday nights. Darcy has visited it a number of times. Nicole and her S.O. joined Darcy on one of these trips. It was a positive experience for all.

#### Asia SF

201 9th Street, San Francisco, CA

(415) 255-ASIA

This is an interesting dining establishment where the TG waitresses perform lip sync shows on a catwalk in the main dining room every hour. The show was entertaining and the interaction with the waitresses between shows is kind of unique. I spoke with the owner and he assured me that the TG community is welcome here. They have a small club downstairs, disco-dance floor not many tables.

#### The Blue Muse

409 Gough Street, San Francisco, CA

(415) 626-7505

The Blue Muse is a restaurant around the corner from Marlina's (also mentioned in this resource guide). I know several TG's who have eaten here. My wife and I have eaten here and had a very enjoyable experience. The staff was very friendly and the food was excellent. This is a great place to go and have dinner before a night of dancing at the G-spot (also know as The End-Up).

#### Carla's

195 Stockton Av., San Jose, CA 95125

(408) 298-6900

Carla's is a club which caters to the TG community. Carla's offers a number of features in addition to the Tea Room. Open 7 days/nights. Features parties, socials, a "Tea Room" restaurant, movie nights with TV/TS themes, classes on makeup, photo sessions and more. Carla also has an area for changing and storing clothes. So if you cannot change at home you can hit Carla's on your way to a TG event and change there.

#### Charpes

131 Gough Street, San Francisco, CA

(415) 621-6766

Charpes is currently the home of the ETVC End of Month social. They have a restaurant with good food, a bar and a room in the back where we can hold our meetings. The people there seem very happy to have us. Charpes is right down the street from The Blue Muse and Marlina's.

#### The Grubstake

Around the corner from Kimo's, Pine Street, San Francisco.

(415) 673-8268

Didi has described this establishment as open late, has great food and is TG enthusiastic.

#### The Line-up

7th at Harrison, San Francisco, CA

(415) 861-2887

Formerly the mid-month meeting place for ETVC. This is a Mexican restaurant which serves excellent (but a bit pricy \$12.00ish) entrees. It is 1 block away from the End-up.

Hamburger Mary's (Sacramento) (916) 441-4340  
1630 I Street, Sacramento.  
Most of the review of this venue comes from a talk I had with Krystal from SGA. Hamburger Mary's is TG friendly and have several regular TG customers. Occasionally SGA will hold a meeting there. I have even heard that Krystal was dancing there once.

Hamburger Mary's (San Francisco) (415) 626-5767  
12th and Folsom -- SOMA (Web Search)  
This is one of the places Darcy's group visited with a positive outcome. Hamburger Mary's is actually a chain of TG friendly restaurants. Debbie and I visited Hamburger Mary's by ourselves during the day and had dinner. We felt right at home. I was wearing my Nicole casual (easy to read) outfit. They gave us the best table in the restaurant.

Joseph's (916) 922-8899  
1454 Del Paso Ave. (at Arden), Sacramento, CA  
Home of the Sacramento Gender Association. You can visit Joseph's anytime they are open. The owner and staff are extremely friendly. The food is good and you feel right at home in the Restaurant, Nightclub or Bar.

Lupanns (415) 552-6655  
4072 18th st. In the Castro, San Francisco, CA.  
This restaurant is in the middle of the Castro, with potentially good clubs all around it. Debbie and I saw this place during the party in the Castro and thought it would be a great place to eat if we were visiting one of the Castro clubs. We have not been there yet, but it's on our list of places to visit.

Peppino's Restorante Italiano (415) 776-8550  
1247 Polk Street (Between Sutter & Bush) (Near Kimo's)  
Chelsea, Debbie and I ate here the night before the parade. It food was good and they treated us like regular customers. They have a unisex bathroom so that is not a problem. If you are familiar with the area, they are right across Polk from the parking structure we use when we go to Kimo's.

Taiwan Restaurant (Sacramento) (916) 485-5962  
4110 Manzanita (at Cypress), Carmichael, CA.  
The occasional meeting place of the SGA. This is a small restaurant serving good Chinese food. We have been there once and the staff was very nice.

## Part 2 - Bars

### The Cinch Saloon

1723 Polk St., San Francisco, CA, 94109, (415)776-4162  
Mostly leather but TGs most welcome. This establishment has an outdoor patio which features a Sunday barbecue. The entertainment ranges from a Tuesday night pool tournament to holiday drag shows. Darcy has been here and said it was a good place to go.

### Cafe Mars

798 Brannan Street (at 7th), San Francisco, CA (415) 621-6277  
This is another of ETV's mid month hang outs. They serve food and have several separate rooms. The music is loud and the place gets moving at night.

### Dalva

3121 16th Street (Next to the Roxie Cinema) (415) 252-7740  
This one was in the QSF Gender Blender guide, Nicole's group will need to check it out. It is self described as a hideout. The write-up indicates the blend of patrons is different on different days. Darcy has visited this place, her comments were: The neighborhood may be intimidating and the place fills up fast.

### Daybreak

1711 W. El Camino Real, Mountain View, CA, 94041.. (650) 940-9778  
Where the San Jose RGA girls go after meetings. Girl bar. Don't mess with the pool shooters!

### El Rio

3158 Mission at Caesar Chavez, San Francisco, CA (415) 282-3325  
Darcy talks about this place in her "In search of a venue" article. They answered our questionnaire in an enthusiastic way saying they would like to see us more often. Expect a mid-month soon.

### Harvey's

500 Castro at 18th, San Francisco, CA (415) 431-HARV  
Wednesday nights Harvey's showcases the newest in drag talent with the Wenda Show. Arrive around 9 p.m. for a good seat. There is also a wild drag show on Sunday nights.

### Josie's Cabaret and Juice Joint

3583 16th Street, San Francisco, CA. (415) 861-7933  
Josie's answered our questionnaire in a TG enthusiastic fashion, indicating they cater to the TG community. Expect a mid month here soon.

### Just Rewards (JR's)

2520 Camino Diablo, Walnut Creek, CA (925) 928-6006  
Home of the Diablo Valley Girls. Be there 1st and 3rd Mondays to join the crowd. Totally friendly, great dance floor. Lesbian joint most of the time. JR's is in a rather secluded business park setting. At night the only people you encounter going in are the Bar patrons, Good parking. Great for those who are looking for a first time out.

### The Lion Pub

2062 Divisadero St., San Francisco, CA (415) 567-6565  
Not much is known about this place. Nicole's group will check it out.

- Lone Palm** (415) 648-0109  
 22nd and Guerrero, San Francisco, CA  
 This is a place in Darcy's neighborhood, she has been there several times and says it is a good place to go. Nicole's group will check this place out.
- Lucky 13** (415) 847-1313  
 2140 Market Street, San Francisco, CA  
 The Lucky 13 answered our questionnaire in a positive way so I plan to hold some type of meeting there to check it out. Our findings will wind up in this guide. It looks like they do not serve food but it is available nearby.
- Marlena's** (415) 684-6672  
 Hayes and Octavia, San Francisco, CA  
 TGs always welcome. It is a bit small, but has a bar & a pool table in the back. it is also around the corner from the Blue Muse, a TG friendly restaurant.
- Martuni's** (415) 241-0205  
 Noe/16th/Market, San Francisco, CA  
 This is one of the places Darcy's group visited with a positive outcome. To be checked out by Nicole's group.
- The Metro** (415) 703-9750  
 Noe/16th/Market, San Francisco, CA  
 To be checked out by Nicole's group.
- The Mint** (415)  
 1942 Market Street, San Francisco, CA.  
 The Mint answered our questionnaire in a positive way, so I will be holding some type of meeting there to check it out. They have food (looks like fast food from 11am to 11:30pm). They also have a Karaoke Lounge.
- Mercantile** (916) 447-0792  
 20th Street (at L), Sacramento, CA  
 To be checked out by Nicole's group
- Mirage** (916) 444-3238  
 601 15th Street (at F), Sacramento, CA  
 To be checked out by Nicole's group
- Moby Dick** (415) xxx-xxxx  
 4049 18th St., San Francisco, CA.  
 This is one I got from LeChara. She goes to this bar in the Castro all the time. So this place is on our list of places to check out.
- Thirsty Bear** (415) 974-0905  
 661 Howard, San Francisco, CA  
 This is one of the places Darcy's group visited with a positive outcome. To be checked out by Nicole's group.
- The Townhouse** (916) 441-5122  
 1517 21st Street, Sacramento, CA  
 To be checked out by Nicole's group

Twin Peaks (415) 864-9470  
401 Castro St., San Francisco, CA  
To be checked out by Nicole's group.

Western Union Depot (916) 443-9831  
2001 K Street, Sacramento, CA  
This bar is right across the street from Faces. So if it gets too crowded in faces you can go here. It has a mostly male crowd but there are TG's who go here. It is a basic bar with TV screens and a pool table.

### Part 3 - Nightclubs

The Box (415) 647-8258  
715 Harrison at 3rd St.  
Not much is yet know about this place. Nicole's group will visit.

The Cafe (415) 861-3846  
2367 Market Street, San Francisco, CA  
This club is in the heart of the Castro district. This is a gay club which was on the California Dreamin 98 pub crawl. The club caters to a younger crowd (20's to early 30's) and offers a great place to dance and drink. Darcy has been here and she says it's ok for everyone.

Club Oz (Top of St. Francis Hotel) (415) 397-7000  
335 Powell Street, San Francisco, CA  
Darcy's description is: A glitzy place where people who wish the 80's never left us like to get glamorous and dance. Not a bad scene for cross-dressers, actually!  
To be visited by Nicole's group

The Coco Club (415) 626-2337  
139 8th (at Minna), San Francisco, CA  
This is a club Darcy talks about in the Jan 98 newsletter. It is a basement bar lesbian club, which often features live performances. The Coco Club answered our questionnaire in a very positive way. They indicated that they welcome TG customers and would like to see us more often. Expect a mid-month here soon. Debbie and I visited the Coco Club, it is an interesting laid back basement club, the ambiance is sort of like someone's party room or den with a bar.

End-Up (G-Spot) (415)263-4850  
Sixth & Harrison St., San Francisco, CA  
Saturday night is ladies night, TG friendly, other nights are iffy, but safe. Dancing, full bar, outdoor area. This is the closest thing to Faces we have found in San Francisco. I have been there four times and have had a great time every time.

Faces (Sacramento) (916) 448-7798  
2000 K St., near 20th and K, Sacramento, CA  
Saturday is a night TGs from the SGA group often congregate. Well known as a good bar for TGs.

**Kimos**

1351 Polk St., San Francisco, CA, (415) 885-4535.  
Show bar. Friday nights usually has a drag show. They'll love you there. Parking is a little tough, but try the alley to the South or the pay parking structure one block South and across the street (Polk). It can be intimidating for newbies, but its all in the mind. Neighborhood is funky, but about as alternate lifestyle as you can get.

**Litter Box at Cats Grill & Alley Club**

(415) 431-3332

1190 Folsom at 8th St.

Not much is known about this place. Nicole's group will check it out.

**Motherlode**

1002 Post Street, San Francisco, CA

(415) 928-6006

Descriptions of the Motherlode have included some sleazy adjectives. However, many say it is a place to visit. It is my understanding that this is a base for some extremely passably oriental TG working girls.

**N'Touch**

(415) 441-8413

1548 Polk Street, San Francisco, CA

N'Touch gave an enthusiastic response on our questionnaire, indicating they welcome transgendered customers and would like to see more of them. Expect a mid month here in the near future.

## Part 4 - One Nighters

- Baby Judy's (at Casanova)** (415) 863-9328  
527 Valencia St. (between 16th and 17th), San Francisco, CA  
Wednesday nights from 10 pm - 2 am. There is a DJ which plays some of the most enjoyable retro and new wave music in the city.
- The DNA Lounge** (415)  
1015 Folsom Street, San Francisco, CA  
Some confusion here, there is actually a bar by this name.  
Darcy's description: This only happens about every 6 months, but it is a grand affair. Several hundred people attend, and the vast majority are wildly and creatively dressed.
- Masquerade** <http://www.jps.net/phantom5/mas/> (415) 339-8685  
375 1st Street @ Harrison, San Francisco, CA  
The basement floor of the Mariner's Hall. Parking Down the same block a bit. The Maritime hall charges 5 or 6 bucks. Fee schedule: members in Exotic Dress \$7, Non-Member in Exotic Dress \$12, Rancid Street Clothes \$25.  
Darcy's description: This is held Monthly on the Saturday closest to the full moon. Within these walls you will find all kinds of bizarrely clad clubbers. Facilitating all of the exotically dressed patrons is an excellent club layout.
- Piafs** (415) 864-3700  
Market & Gough, San Francisco, CA  
This club has a drag show on Thursday night. We have been to it once. It looks like they are trying for the upscale ambiance. The show was ok. You can walk to this club from Charpe's after the ETVC social.
- Trannyshack at The Stud** (415) 252-7883  
399 9th St., San Francisco, CA  
SoMa Leather bar features totally wild drag show on Tuesday night: Trannyshack. Music is loud, drinks cheap. A definite must-see.

## Section 2 - Where to Shop

In this section we have tried to identify the places where some of us have gone to shop. There is a special emphasis here if the shopping was done en femme, but we also tell you about personal shoppers that will help you if you want to be very discrete. I have made a single pass at contacting all the vendors in this section. In each case I asked to speak to the owner or manager, I was very specific in who we are, and asked about shopping restrictions. If I did not get through and I thought the vendor was worth keeping I will indicate that in the description (I will fix these as I hear from them). Anyone who gave a negative or ambivalent response was dropped from the list.

### Part 1 - Clothing

- All The More To Love (510) 521-6206  
1355 Park St., Alameda  
A used clothing store. This shop starts at size 14 and goes up. Very accepting and eager for our business, they even have shoes up to size 12. Definitely stop in and say hello !! They get new items on a daily basis. Prices are low to moderate and the quality varies. Still need to contact owner Jenny Matteucci on Monday 9-4.
- Almost New Boutique (925) 672-0304  
5400-V Ygnacio Valley Rd., Concord  
A used clothing store owned by Marilyn Kittrel who is a very accepting lady. Shop is small, crowded and reasonable. She has a lot of clothes for the entire family. The store is located next to Yard Birds to help you find it. She is very particular about what she accepts on consignment. You can be assured of finding clothes in excellent condition. Still need to contact owner Marilyn Kittrel, clerk not sure when she would be in.
- Carla's (408) 298-6900  
195 Stockton Ave., San Jose, CA.  
Carla's boutique carries a wide range of items in the sizes you are likely to need. She has clothes, lingerie, shoes, wigs, breast forms, and jewelry. Carla also has lockers for rent and a place to change. So if you see something you want but can't bring it home, you can arrange to keep it there.
- Elisabeth's (Stoneridge Mall) (925) 460-8033  
1520 Stoneridge Mall, Pleasanton, CA.  
This Elisabeth's has held a fashion show for the TG community. They specialize in larger sizes, I think the smallest size was a 16. The staff is very friendly, and they will assist you in shopping. The only time I was there, I was dressed (as was everybody else at the fashion show). At the trip through the mall was actually quite fun.

**\*\* Fairy Godmother At Large**

(408) 737-7684

153 E. Fremont Ave., Sunnyvale

A new & used clothing store. A little far to go, but definitely worth the trip. Owner Marcia Shea is very accepting of our community and has an extensive collection of both new and used clothing in sizes 14 and up. Her shop is tucked away in a small shopping center at the intersection of Sunnyvale-Saratoga Rd. and Fremont Ave. across from Fremont High School. (Right next to the Peter Pan Restaurant). It was a pleasure to talk to Marcia. She is most interested in having us as customers. It is no problem to shop if you are dressed en femme, however, if you come in drab, using the dressing rooms could be a problem if there are a lot of customers. She is all for doing after hours group events, shopping or a fashion show. She carries evening and designer clothes. She did mention that she has had a problem before with one of us trying on (but never buying) the lingerie, which has resulted in a rule that you cannot try on the lingerie. (It goes without saying that we don't want to create negative experiences for such a supportive vendor. If you like it buy it. If you can't bring it home, rent a locker at Carla's).

**Foxy Lady Boutique**

(415) 285-4980

2644 Mission Street, San Francisco, CA.

The Foxy Lady Boutique has a number of clothes to fit several occasions. They advertise regularly in the ETVC channel. It is OK to shop there dressed or drab. In addition, the Foxy Lady rents and sells Halloween costumes in October. The person I talked to assured me she could get me the hard to find costume I wanted.

**Girlfriends**

(925) 837-6595

411 Hartz Ave., Suite #YY, Danville

Advertising "FINE and FUNKY" fashions. A very accepting owner, neat casual clothes in a cozy boutique atmosphere. Still need to contact owner at office # (925) 417-6050.

**Haute Labels**

(925) 837-3885

822 Hartz Way, Danville

A used clothing store with lots of nice clothes at reasonable prices and a friendly atmosphere. Still need to call owner on Tuesday.

**\*\*\* I Love It! Consignment Boutique**

(510) 623-1337

47952 Warm Springs Blvd., Fremont, CA.

Serena and Chelsea found this place and was very pleased with what they had. The person they worked with Jo-An Torres will act as a personal shopper for you. (She will find out what you like and call you when something you like comes in). Debbie and I visited this place and had a wonderful time. I must have tried on 20 outfits. I ended up leaving with 6 garments for under \$150.00. Wow! This place is rated TG enthusiastic, you can shop dressed however you like to be dressed. It's definitely an experience not to be missed.

**Joyce's Perfect Fit**

(650) 574-2727

1117 South B. Street San Mateo, CA.

Joyce's is one of the businesses that advertise in the ETVC Channel. It is advertised as an "Intimate Apparel Salon" and there is a "by appointment only" note on the ad. So my guess is they want to know if you are coming, especially if you are dressed. They carry bras, breast forms, lingerie, etc. Sized small through 4x. She offers a 10% discount to ETVC members.

Just As Nice

(510) 253-0813

1 Orinda Way, Orinda

A used clothing store owned by Virginia Enriquez and assisted by Rosy Rivera, these two ladies are the "TOPS" very open and accepting. They carry men's clothes along with selected antiques/collectibles and a very nice selection of reasonably priced, top name, originally expensive women's clothes. The shop is somewhat hard to find the first time. You have to turn right on Orinda Way -- enter the parking lot at the end of the street -- go past the Mexican restaurant and park in the lot on the south side. Walk around behind the buildings to get there. I left a message for Virginia to call me back.

Kathy & Company

(925) 372-7299

700 Main St., Martinez

A used clothing store. It is a consignment shop run by Kathy and her sister. They have a good selection of clothes (some above size 16) at very affordable prices and also shoes and purses. Kathy's only concern is that some of her customers may not be as accepting as she. Some discretion must be used here (as in most stores). Her busiest times are 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. -- if you go there at other times, she probably can accommodate you easily. I left a message for Kathy to call me back.

Kathy's New & Resale Boutique

(925) 934-6571

1203 Arroyo Way, Walnut Creek

A used clothing store. This store has a fair selection of sizes and good "labels", albeit a little pricey. Use of the dressing rooms is restricted to times when no women are in the store. Owner is ok with TG's visiting the store, but she would like you to call before you come in.

Leftovers Thrift Shop

(925) 930-9393

2333 Boulevard Circle, Walnut Creek

It's run by a staff of volunteers and supports Suicide Prevention Center and Crisis Intervention Center of Walnut Creek, a good cause. This place is like a department store with a fair selection of inexpensive clothes. All of their stock is donated. I spoke with the manager (Jeri I think), who was very nice. She called back after checking with their president and said they would very much like to be in our guide. Also she indicated that there are no shopping restrictions, shop however you feel comfortable. Their hours are Tues. - Sat. 10-4.

Mars Mercantile

(510) 843-6711

2398 Telegraph Ave., Berkeley

The person I spoke with was very nice and enthusiastic about having us as customers. They are a Vintage clothing store and do a very big Halloween costume business. They carry a number of items and she specifically mentioned large heels. They have a web site at <http://www.citysearch.com/sfo/marsmercantile>. The web site goes into much more detail on what they have. Some of the highlights are: Evening gowns from the 20's and 30's, 60's cocktail dresses, 40's rayon and gabardine, Fetish and club wear, leather and faux fur. No shopping restrictions.

NewFangles

(510) 839-0457

474 Santa Clara Ave., Oakland

Santa Clara parallels the onramp to I-580 West from Grand Ave. They carry new clothes for the "fashionable tall woman". Reasonable prices for a boutique type specialty store. The person I talked to was nice and was positive about having us as customers. They offer career and casual wear in sizes 8-22. She indicated that she knew about ETVC and had been in the tip sheet before.

**Magic Moments**

(510) 458-3380

This is listed in the DVG guide as: Oh You Naughty Ladies ! Pleasure Parties. Run by Tracy Novo Gradac. Tracy sells a broad line of exotic items including creams, lotions and lingerie from mild to wild. Tracy was very positive about having us as customers. She indicated that the lingerie she sells is not the body shaping type. This is her home number so ask for her when you call. She can send you a catalog.

**Nordstroms Palo-Alto**

Linda Curyea Personal Touch

(650) 323-5111 x1459

Linda works with TG clients, you can arrive drab and she will set you up in a dressing room and bring you clothes to try on based on your taste and with her assistance on what looks good on you. I talked with Linda and she indicated that all Nordstroms have this "Personal Touch" department. In order to use their services you need to make an appointment and tell them that you are a member of the Transgendered community. If someone uses this service at another Nordstroms please send me feedback so I can include it in the guide.

**Rag Doll Resale Shoppe**

(925) 937-2344

1109 Bont St., Walnut Creek

A used clothing store run by Gerrie Dodson. This shop appears small, but has two floors of clothing at reasonable prices and no restrictions. I have not contacted the owner yet to verify their wish to be in the guide. I did get their phone message so they are still there.

**Rockridge Rags**

(510) 655-2289

5711 College Ave., Oakland

A used clothing store. Open seven days a week and Thursday 'til 8. Nice selection of clothes, sizes, and moderate prices.

**Romantasy**

(415) 487-9909

2191 Market Street, San Francisco, CA.

This is another of our ETCV Channel advertisers. Romantasy specializes in Corsets. They will make a corset that is custom fit to your body. Their ad reads Custom corsets & specialty hosiery for the transgendered physique. They also offer private fitting appointments. Both Darcy and Camille have appeared in their ads as models.

**Sally's Place**

(415) 331-3686

San Francisco, CA.

This is one of the vendors that advertise in the Channel. I'm not sure exactly what they sell the ad is a bit general. National Catalog Liquidation. Plus Sizes. 40% to 70% off. Free catalog or shop in person. There is a contact name: Lisa Hoyt.

**Sara's Bare Necessities**

(925) 680-8445

1909 Salvio St., Concord

Sarah carries a line of fine lingerie for women and men along with swim wear, party clothes and erotic & exotic accessories. We are welcome in her shop at any time for discreet shopping -- as with some other shops, there may be restrictions on the use of the fitting rooms during normal hours. She was nice on the phone and indicated that what we had on her store was accurate.

**Second Impressions**

(925) 838-1040

411 Hartz Ave., Danville

A used clothing store. This store has high quality items with a price tag to match. The owner was not there, I need to call back during the first of the week.

- Second To None** (510) 839-9173  
 3338 Grand Ave., Oakland  
 A used clothing store. They buy, sell and trade contemporary clothing for men and women. They are open seven days a week from 11 to 4. Left message, have not heard back from them yet.
- Sharks** (510) 841-8736  
 2505 Telegraph Ave., Berkeley  
 The person I talked to on the was enthusiastic about having us as customers. She indicated that they have allot of Hawaiian fashions and costumes. They do a big costume business at Halloween. Sale day is Tuesday's when everything is 30% off. She said they would be happy to help you over the phone.
- Slash Clothing** (510) 841-7803  
 2840 College Ave., Berkeley  
 A used clothing store. Not much to say about this except it's small and mostly teenage stuff.
- Solano Ave Clothing Store (SACS)** (510) 525-9520  
 1419 Solano Ave., Albany  
 A consignment and used clothing store. Open Sundays. She has a selection of new discounted clothing and consignment clothes. Prices seemed to be fair to moderate, sizes were mostly under 16 in consignment clothes. The owner was very nice when I talked to her on the phone. She indicated that their are no shopping restrictions for us, just come when you feel comfortable. She said between 12 and 2pm is the slowest hours of the store.
- Something Grand** (510) 452-3595  
 3231 Grand Ave., Oakland  
 A used clothing store. This store is very gender friendly. The person I spoke with on the phone Bobo Abimbola is going to send me the text he would like in the guide.
- Something Old-Something New** (925) 838-4492  
 442 & 482 Hartz Ave., Danville  
 A consignment store. Hours are Mon-Sat, 10-5. The shop at 442 has casual and sport clothes, good labels, lots to look at and somewhat pricey. The other store at 482 has dressy and evening clothes - again pricey and good labels. Acceptance is salesperson dependent. I need to contact Sandra Jones on the 13th of July about being in this guide.
- Stop The Clock** (510) 841-2142  
 2110 Addison St., Berkeley  
 A used / Vintage clothing store. Small store carrying older styles. The owner was positive about having us as customers. She indicated that their are no shopping restrictions, come however you like. They have 1940 -1960 clothing and accessories (jewelry, hats, shoes, etc.). They also have a costume business at Halloween.
- The Garment Bag** (510) 522-1548  
 1415 Park St., Alameda  
 A used clothing store. This place almost has it all for those under size 16. Very large selection of pants, jeans, shorts, blouses, tank tops, dresses and jewelry. Very friendly accepting owner. Prices are the upper end of moderate. A new owner Monya Helkerson will take over in 2 weeks I need to call her back on Tuesday. Monya also has another store.

The Looking Glass (510) 672-4759

6064 Main St., Clayton

A used clothing store. The owner carries nice clothes and has a fair selection of sizes, with prices ranging from \$10-\$50. Need to call new owner Neva back on Monday or Tuesday.

The Stage Stop (925) 685-4440

4330 Clayton Rd., Concord (at Treat)

A Vintage clothing store. This store carries vintage clothing from the 1800's through the 1960's. Most of the sizes are small, especially those from the 1800's. What makes this store so outstanding is their collection of rhinestone jewelry from the 50's. She also has repro poodle skirts from the 50's. The owner Janice Stockwell was very positive on the phone about having us as customers. There are no shopping restrictions. She had to get rid of most of her 1800's clothing because they were falling apart. She now has 1020's to 1970's clothing and accessories (hats, shoes, belts, etc.). Oh yes and she only has two of the repro poodle skirts from the 50's left.

Tiki Town (510) 559-TIKI

1579-A Solano Ave., Berkeley

A used clothing store. It is like Sharks and the other stores on Telegraph, except that they have some new Asian/Island fashions. Here, again, they buy and sell 501 Levi's as a specialty.

Top Drawer Consignments (925) 244-0234

12925 Alcosta Blvd., San Ramon

A used clothing store. It's run by Cookie, a very friendly warm lady interested in us. She maintains a section devoted to size 16/18 and larger. A good selection of quality clothes at affordable prices. It's located off of Crow Canyon Rd. on Alcosta Blvd. to the left of the San Ramon Post Office. Hours are Tues. thru Sat., 10-3 and Thurs. 10-7.

Under It All (925) 778-7BRA

3680 Delta Fair Blvd., Antioch

The phone number says it all about this shop. This business is very open-minded; however, there are no fittings except after normal hours and by appointment only. Terry charges \$35.00/hour to cover sales clerk salaries and expenses for these private fittings. However, she does welcome discreet shoppers during normal business hours if you know the sizes you need without a fitting.

Victoria's Secret (925) 687-4837

315 Sun Valley Mall, Concord also at the Broadway Plaza, Walnut Creek (925) 944-0363

Go there and browse, feel the materials and enjoy the smells of the perfumes and toiletries.

## Part 1a - Clothing Alterations

Choices In Fashion

(925) 945-6242

57 Cleveland Rd., Pleasant Hill

Ms. Claire Blue does alterations and custom designed clothing. Her hours are Tues-Thurs 11 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Fri. & Sat.

Linda [REDACTED]

(510) [REDACTED]

She does costumes and alterations and is a DVG member. She does excellent work and many DVG members sing her praises. Call for prices and location.

Diana [REDACTED]

(510) [REDACTED]

Diana is also a DVG member who offers custom-made costumes, clothes and alterations. She is responsible for many of the creations that Janelle so ably models. Give her a call for prices and location.

## Part 2 - Makeup

You can go to the nearest Longs Drugs, Macy's cosmetic counter or similar outlet and buy a waterproof blemish cover such as Dermablend (about \$20 for cover and setting powder at Longs) or Lydia O'Leary Covermark (about \$15 at Macy's plus powder). You can also find them or similar products at your local Nordstrom from more money. If you tend to perspire, you need the waterproof properties of oil-based covers used with setting powder.

The best range of colors and complimentary powders are called Derma Color and are made by Kryolan. If you have no problem with perspiration, then Kryolan Aqua Color is ideal as it is a one step application process. Kryolan products are available at theatrical supply outlets.

Contact Bill Jones at San Francisco State University, (415) 338-1777, and see if you can procure a copy of his Male to Female Makeup booklet. Call between 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

If you have trouble getting your eyeliner, brow makeup or lipliner on straight and want a quick and permanent solution to your problem, you might want to consider permanent cosmetics. I'm not suggesting they are for anyone, just presenting an alternative. Costs vary from reasonable to darned expensive. Permanent cosmetics are nothing more than a tattoo applied with a multi-needle tool. I know several genetic females who have had it done and had to have several retouches as it faded on them.

Angelo's Hair Salon (415) 673-0809  
600 Ellis St., San Francisco  
Permanent Cosmetics

Anna's Electrology (510) 247-0498  
20910 Redwood Rd., Castro Valley  
Permanent Cosmetics. May be hard to contact.

Anne's Cosmetic Tattooing (415) 863-4865  
1325 Haight St. at Melisande, San Francisco  
Permanent Cosmetics. Available Tuesdays, Fridays & Sundays and will come to you by special arrangement. Members have reported mixed results.

Betty Reagin (510) 581-4102  
Merle Norman Cosmetic Studio  
2793 Castro Valley Blvd., Castro Valley  
Betty has been in this business for many years and will help you with your selection of makeup and skin care products. She will do complimentary makeovers by appointment. Betty has worked with crossdressers in the past and has several as current customers. Merle Norman cosmetics are upscale, high quality products.

California Theatrical Supply (415) 863-9684  
132 Ninth St., San Francisco  
They are upstairs about mid-clock on the left side of Ninth. This place is recommended by Bill Jones and will custom tailor your makeup needs for you.

- Carla's (408) 298-6900  
 195 Stockton Ave., San Jose, CA.  
 Carla's boutique carries a wide range of items in the sizes you are likely to need. She has clothes, lingerie, shoes, wigs, breast forms, and jewelry. Carla also has lockers for rent and a place to change. So if you see something you want but can't bring it home, you can arrange to keep it there.
- Encore Theatrical Supply (925) 463-2140  
 5556 Springdale Ave., Pleasanton also in Antioch at: (925) 706-1598  
 Very friendly and helpful people – if you know the colors you require, they will special order it for you if it isn't in their stock.
- Faces of Marin (415) 454-2366  
 1010 Lootens Pl. #6, San Rafael, CA.  
 This is one of our Channel advertisers. Some of the info from the ad reads: 12 years of experience with the gender community. Free Consultation. A safe, private atmosphere that accommodates all levels of transition & sensitive to gender needs. Other services available: Makeup application and lessons, waxing and facials.
- Martha Glassner (925) 798-2508  
 1787 Sharon Dr., Concord  
 Martha Glassner is an Independent Beauty Consultant and Mary Kay saleslady and will do makeovers, supply you with products and show how to use them. She has worked with many of our members.
- Margi Jackson (510) 606-1165  
 Margi Jackson is gender friendly and has been helping crossdressers for years. She is in the tri-valley area and anyone who desires personalized makeup help or to purchase cosmetics can call and schedule an appointment. She is a good friend of Janie at Valley Rags & Wigs so you can also make arrangements through her.
- Deborah Mancini (925) 463-9780  
 1500 Stoneridge Mall Rd., Pleasanton  
 Deborah Mancini is a beauty advisor with JC Penney in the Stoneridge Mall and is accepting of our community.
- Macy's (Make-up Forever) (925) 279-3333 x2365  
 Broadway Plaza Macy's Walnut Creek, CA.  
 Both Mark Valdez and Natalie from the Nordstoms in Palo Alto are here now. I also have Valerie's number (she is the roving Make-up for ever person) (510) 482-1801. By the way Make-up Forever is great stuff. I use it and both Debbie and I have had make overs done by Mark.
- New Image Studio (925) 831-2553  
 2819 Crow Canyon Rd., San Ramon  
 Permanent Cosmetics
- Stephanie Pebler (209) 836-3441  
 515 Peerless Way, #7, Tracy  
 Stephanie Pebler is an Independent Beauty Consultant and Mary Kay saleslady.
- Stagecraft Studios (510) 653-4424  
 1854 Alcatraz Ave., Berkeley  
 These folks carry a large line of products.

Valerie Victoria Valeska

(707) 588-7444

Independent Beauty Consultant with Mary Kay

Serving clients in the North Bay

Valerie is a member of TGIF. she has skin care and color cosmetic products available. Personal classes can be set up by appointment.

Yoshi's Electrology

(510) 754-7764

12400 Sycamore Dr., Suite 1D

Permanent Cosmetics

### Part 3 - Shoes

Other sources for shoes are Picway shoes (to size 12), Nordstrom, Macy's and the Emporium. Capwells are also sources for larger sizes.

#### Alder's

3612 E. 14th St., Oakland (510) 533-3996  
also a store at 1745 Contra Costa Blvd., Pleasant Hill (925) 687-1745  
Nancy Correia, the manager at the Oakland store, was very helpful, interested and talkative.  
Alder's carries shoes to women's size 14 and the prices range from about \$50 to \$80 with a few pairs cheaper and a few more expensive.

#### Carla's

195 Stockton Ave., San Jose, CA. (408) 298-6900  
Carla's boutique carries a wide range of items in the sizes you are likely to need. She has clothes, lingerie, shoes, wigs, breast forms, and jewelry. Carla also has lockers for rent and a place to change. So if you see something you want but can't bring it home, you can arrange to keep it there.

#### Cobbie Shoe Shop

705 Southland Mall, Hayward (510) 786-9587  
They carry shoes to 12 and widths to EE - pricey.

#### Payless Shoe Source

San Pablo Ave., across from the El Cerrito Plaza  
They have at least 40 pairs of women's shoes in the impossible-to-find size 13.

#### Pierre Silber

2666 Homestead Rd., Santa Clara (408) 261-8386  
This shoe shop carries shoes from sizes 5 to 15 in widths EE, WW though not in all styles. His catalog prices range from \$55 to \$140 for pumps to \$290 for thigh-high side hook boots.

#### Rocsil's

1701 Telegraph Ave., Oakland (510) 832-1373  
Rocsil's has a good selection in the larger sizes and has had transgendered customers for many years.

#### Shoe Pavilion

3151 E. Crow Canyon Rd., San Ramon (925) 866-1772  
also at 1543 Botelho Dr., Walnut Creek (925) 210-1687  
They carry the usual women's sizes with a limited selection to size 12. The assistant manager I spoke with said they could order larger sized for you. They carry a broad line of makes and colors at discount prices.

## Part 4 - Wigs

- Carla's** (408) 298-6900  
195 Stockton Ave., San Jose, CA.  
Carla's boutique carries a wide range of items in the sizes you are likely to need. She has clothes, lingerie, shoes, wigs, breast forms, and jewelry. Carla also has lockers for rent and a place to change. So if you see something you want but can't bring it home, you can arrange to keep it there.
- Continental Wig Salon & Boutique** (415) 454-0101  
1121 4th Street, San Rafael, CA.  
Louise is an outgoing person and also offers makeup consultations, application and instruction. Her selection is extensive in color, styles and lengths.
- Eduardo** (510) 581-4650  
3750 Castro Valley Blvd., Castro Valley  
Eduardo is a hair stylist who is also very good with wigs. He works with Victor Morell.
- Fashion Wigs** (510) 837-6818  
3221 Danville Blvd., Alamo
- Victor Morell** (510) 886-9535  
3750 Castro Valley Blvd., Castro Valley  
Victor is a hair stylist who is good with wigs and is also a professional makeup artist. He did the makeup for the female impersonators at Finoccio's in San Francisco for eight or nine years, has also toured the country doing "showgirls" and spent some time in Las Vegas working with the shows.
- Rosalie's New Look** (415) 397-6242  
782 Columbus Ave., San Francisco  
She offers a wide range of wig and hairpiece services.
- Studio International** (415) 626-5583  
2100 18th St., San Francisco  
They operate by appointment only and offer a full line of wigs, hairpiece additions and services.
- Sue's Wig Boutique** (925) 462-3382  
1991 Santa Rita Rd., Pleasanton  
Prices are very reasonable and Sue has a good selection of styles and colors. She has a private room if desired but the atmosphere in her store is non-threatening and relaxed.
- The Wig Works** (925) 933-5852  
1517 Cypress, Walnut Creek  
She carries an extensive selection of wigs in a warm, friendly atmosphere. This place is definitely recommended.
- Valley Rags & Wigs** (925) 829-3333  
7286 San Ramon Rd., Dublin  
Owned by Janie Luntey who worked with her first CD in 1980. She is located in the right rear corner of Strouds Plaza. Janie carries a large selection of wigs including Eva Gabor, Jacquelyn, and Alan Thomas. This neat lady charges \$16.50 for short wig and \$17.50 for long wig styling.

Wigatorium

(510) 222-7203

1580A Fitzgerald Dr., Pinole

Located in the shopping center at I-80 and Appian Way in Pinole. Lyndria has been a friend of the community for many years. Prices are moderate and the service is excellent with privacy if you desire it. Hair piece selection is extensive.

Your Place For Hair

(510) 889-9403

22283 Redwood Rd. and Grove Way, Castro Valley

Their selection of wigs is good and they offer the full range of hair replacement services from wigs to weaves.

## Part 5 - Beauty Salons

- Carla's (By the way Carla has been cutting my hair. Nicole) (408) 298-6900  
195 Stockton Ave., San Jose, CA.  
Carla's boutique carries a wide range of items in the sizes you are likely to need. She has clothes, lingerie, shoes, wigs, breast forms, and jewelry. Carla also has lockers for rent and a place to change. So if you see something you want but can't bring it home, you can arrange to keep it there.
- Eduardo (510) 581-4650  
3750 Castro Valley Blvd., Castro Valley  
Eduardo is a hair stylist who is also very good with wigs. He works with Victor Morell.
- Marley Maloney (925) 551-3767  
7292 San Ramon Rd., Dublin  
Located in Strouds Plaza, she has several DVG members among her clients and was a vendor at California Dreamin.
- Redhead Salon (510) 538-0552  
3553 Castro Valley Blvd., Castro Valley  
Anne is there Wednesday, Thursday and Saturdays. Anne does not do acrylic/gel nails. She can also be reached seven days at 471-0433.
- Victor Morell (510) 886-9535  
3750 Castro Valley Blvd., Castro Valley  
Victor is a hair stylist who is good with wigs and is also a professional makeup artist. He did the makeup for the female impersonators at Finoccio's in San Francisco for eight or nine years, has also toured the country doing "showgirls" and spent some time in Las Vegas working with the shows.
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## Part 6 - Electrolysis

Now this topic really does need a few tips. The electrolysis process for TG's takes a while. It will probably take at least 100 hours and if you get to 200 don't be surprised. It can either be painful or Very painful. So you are going to want to enlist the help of a few friends.

Vicodin, is a pain killer that is a derivative of Morphine (so if you start taking it all the time, you will get hooked on it). It is always nice to have a Vicodin 30 to 45 min before your electrolysis if you are going to be there more than an hour. If you try for 3 hour sessions you might want to take a second Vicodin with you.

But you do not want to just use the Vicodin. There is a Local Anesthetic Cream called "Emla". You want to apply this to the area which will be worked on, at least 1 hour before the appointment. After you put it on you must cover it with plastic wrap to force it into the skin (it won't work if you don't). Just apply the cream, stick saran wrap on it, and use medical tape to hold it in place. If your electrologist does not know about this, you might want a new electrologist.

Amelia James (Nicole's electrologist) (707) 526-4826  
2700 Santa Rosa Ave., Santa Rosa, CA.

This is a great place to go for electrolysis. It is in a private building outside of town. You can go from your car to the office without anyone seeing you. Originally I went in drab but now I go there dressed. Amelia is great, she knows the tricks to make the experience less painful. She plays music while you are there too. She has advertised in the Channel as long as I have been a member. (I actually first saw her ad in Tapestry when I lived in Long Beach).

Bare With Us (510) 795-0500  
6449 Thornton Ave., Newark, CA.

This is one of our advertisers in the Channel. The ad is for "Electrolysis and Permanent Cosmetics". The contact name in the ad is Evelyn Brum. They offer free consultations.

Electrolysis by Connie (408) 286-7228  
located within "Carla's", 195 Stockton Ave., San Jose, Ca. 95126

"Specializing in work on CD's, TV's, TS's." Example's of work that you can have done:

1. Thin beards to limit evening shadow.
2. Remove facial and neck hair.
3. Clear breast and stomach areas.
4. Shape eyebrows.
5. Do the bikini area.
6. Clear arm and leg hair
7. Clear the "Meltzer" area.

I do permanent hair removal using High Galvanic Blend Electrolysis. This type of electrolysis is less painful than thermolysis and is a lot more effective in killing hairs and is distinctly different for T's than other types of electrolysis.

I invite all interested to come and receive a complementary consultation and demonstration treatment. All work is done under sanitary conditions using sterile disposable probes. All appointments are confidential. All work is by appointment only but I'm usually at work most days. My fee's are currently \$ 40.00 per hour, (subject to change. I have a limited number of appointments available at this time.

Jano Bogg (510) 527-9060  
P.O. Box 9962, Berkeley, CA.

This is one of our Channel advertisers. The ad indicates a North Berkeley/Albany location and indicates you should call for an appointment. This establishment also sells Breast Forms.

Marga's Electrolysis & Permanent Make-up (510) 278-1809  
Castro Valley, CA  
Marga Myers, RE, MPS ; Private - free Consultation -discreet ; Personalized treatment-  
proficient ; See our before and after photo portfolio ; Days, Evenings & Weekends by  
appointment ; I am very committed to my clients and give them the very best service (references  
available). Marga is one of our Channel advertisers.

**WHY GO TO TEXAS?**

**First try these two highly skilled registered electrologists working together in intensive 4  
hour or longer sessions for those clients desiring quicker results. Methods available to  
reduce discomfort. Choose your location— a private setting in Castro Valley —or San  
Francisco (downtown). Sign up for your program now by contacting either:**

Marga Myers, RE, MPS (510) 278-1809  
Sharon Scheurer, RE, MPS (415) 398-1722

Marilyn Campo, Thu-Minh Ngo, & Guy E. Campo (wave1@flash.net) (408)292-1558  
Wave Electrology, 1570 The Alameda, Suite 215, San Jose, CA  
This is in the same suite as Dr. Shaffer's office (And of course all of you, especially the  
TS's, know who Dr. Shaffer is). The ad indicates Local Anesthetic Available, which  
makes sense when you are in a Doctor's office.

Mary Davis (\*) (415) 721-0569  
1368 Lincoln Ave., Suite 106, San Rafael, CA 94901-2122

Faces of Marin (415) 454-2366  
1010 Lootens Pl. #6, San Rafael, CA.  
This is one of our Channel advertisers. Some of the info from the ad reads: 12 years of experience  
with the gender community. Free Consultation. A safe, private atmosphere that accommodates all  
levels of transition & sensitive to gender needs. Other services available: Makeup application and  
lessons, waxing and facials.

Karey Gladman (\*) (650) 325-4247  
703 Welch Rd., Suite E5, Palo Alto, CA 94304

Jessica's Body Shoppe <http://www.aimnet.com/~impulse> (510) 654-7800  
4289 Piedmont Avenue, Suite #206, Oakland, CA.  
This is one of our Channel advertisers. She does electrolysis and facials. There is also mention of  
Holistic Products & Vitamins and Custom Blended Makeup. The ad indicates by appointment  
only.

Marga's Electrolysis & Permanent Make-Up (510) 278-1809  
Castro Valley Location  
This is one of our Channel advertisers, but the ad does not give an address.

Patricia Nakamura Electrolysis & Skin Care (408) 371-0488  
1645 So. Bascom Ave., Campbell (Across from Hamilton Plaza)  
This is one of our Channel advertisers. She offers both types of electrolysis and European Facials  
including full makeovers. She also offers full body waxing (ouch, it even hurts to type that).

Sandy Robinette (415) 924-1457  
Victoria Studio, 206 Tamalpais Drive, Corte Madera, CA.  
This is one of our Channel Advertisers. The ad indicates, Electrolysis, European Facials, Face & body waxing, Lash & Brow Tinting.

Susan Ronis (\*) (510) 526-8064  
1850 Capistrano Ave., Berkeley, CA 94707

Transformations (415) 398-1722  
582 Market Street, Ste. 1111, San Francisco, CA.  
Sharon Scheurer, RE.,MPS Licensed Electrologist, Certified Micro-Pigmentation Specialist.  
Transgender friendly w/special package rates. Quiet, private and confidential. Easy downtown location. Complete image service for men and women. 30 years licensed experience. Special makeovers for CD's. Transformations advertises in the Channel.

## Part 7 - Vendors of Prosthetic Devices

- Joseph D'Arienzo (\*) 08-82228218  
142 North Terrace, Adelaide 5000 AUSTRALIA  
Makes a flaccid penis prosthesis for the Australian FTM community.
- The Devrey Collection (\*) (516) 623-6211  
216 C North Main Street, Freeport, New York 11520 fax (516) 623-7784  
Binders. Deep-cut style and high neck style.
- Good Vibrations (\*) (415) 550-0827  
1210 Valencia St., San Francisco, CA 94110  
A woman-owned, collectively-operated store providing dildos and sex toys and paraphernalia,  
and educational materials concerning sex. The staff is well-educated, non-judgmental, and well  
aware the FTMs exist. Mail-order catalog available.
- Randy Ingersoll (\*) (972) 219-5423  
P.O. Box 293094, Lewiston, TX 75067  
Transitional prosthesis
- Ben Pike (\*) (818) 358-9582  
401 E. Foothill Blvd., #107, Monrovia, CA 91016  
e-mail: [benpike@ix.netcom.com](mailto:benpike@ix.netcom.com)  
Binder undershirts for chest sizes 38-50. Call or write for more information.
- J. Stallory (\*)  
1261 Howard St., San Francisco, CA 94103-2711  
The "Packy" pant stuffer. Write for more info.
- Transitions (\*) (409) 756-8484  
P.O. Box 3547, Conroe, TX 77301-9998  
"Fantasy genitalia" and "Comform" (custom-made) breast binding tops

## Section 3 - Where to Stay

### Part 1 - Hotels

- Beresford Hotel** (415) 673-9900 (800) 533-6533  
635 Sutter (at Jones), San Francisco, CA.  
Juana's Description is as follows: Room rates quoted are \$99 for single, \$109 for double. The woman I spoke with was very friendly and excited by the possibility of having TG's as guests. She assured me that the staff likes diversity and welcomes the Transgender community
- Best Western Americana** (415) 626-0200 (800) 444-5816  
121 Seventh Street (at Mission), San Francisco, CA.  
Juana's Description is as follows: rates begin at \$94. Described as a nice hotel in a "rough-edged" neighborhood. It offers an exercise room, heated pool and free parking. The receptionist I spoke with didn't see any problem with having cross dressers staying at the hotel, since during the Folsom Street fair they had several such guests.
- Broadway Manor** (415) 776-7900  
2201 Van Ness Street (at Broadway), San Francisco, CA.  
Juana's Description is as follows: Room rates quoted are \$59 for single, \$69 for double. Although I had to initially explain what "Transgender" meant, the person I spoke to said, "No problem". Parking is included in the cost of the room.
- Central Travel Lodge** (415) 621-6775 (800) 578-7878  
1707 Market Street (at Valencia), San Francisco, CA.  
Juana's Description is as follows: Room rates are \$59 for single and \$69 for double on weekdays, add \$10 for weekends. I got the same reaction here as I did from the Broadway, but they advertise a "Castro Street Special" so I think they are cool. They also offer a Triple A discount. Parking is free.
- Commodore Hotel** (415) 923-6800 (800) 338-6848  
825 Sutter Street (at Jones), San Francisco, CA.  
Juana's Description is as follows: Rates start at \$89. For those seeking a trendy, yet quiet location, try this hotel. Rooms are "amply sized" while bathrooms tend to be small. If you decide to stay here, I strongly advise you to check out the Kitschy bar, the Red Room. I had a fabulous martini there, made by a blond, slender and leather clad bartender.
- Kindred Spirits (Asheville, North Carolina)** (704) 253-9882  
P.O. Box 18332, Asheville, North Carolina, 28814  
This establishment advertised in the September 1997 Channel. The ad reads: Experience gender freedom in the mountain splendor of Asheville. A safe welcoming space for all transgendered people.
- Leland Hotel** (415) 441-5141  
1315 Polk Street (at Bush), San Francisco, CA  
Juana's Description is as follows: Rooms begin at \$70 with private bath. Accommodations are okay and what it lacks in that, it makes up by being conveniently located near Transgender restaurants and other businesses. Parking is across the street on Bush between Larkin and Polk.

Vagabond Inn

(415) 776-7500 (800) 522-1555

2550 Van Ness (at Filbert), San Francisco, CA.

Juana's Description is as follows: Rates are \$79 for single, \$89 for double. The individual I spoke with was enthusiastic about having the Transgender community stay at the inn. While the Vagabond is inconveniently located away from where the action is, it makes up in convenience for shy TG's who can just step out of their rooms and into their cars.

Review: Debbie and I stayed here for the GLTB Pride Parade and they were quite nice to us. I checked in as Nicole, I was casually dressed, with only a little make-up (easy to read). We even went to a neighborhood store for some snacks and they were nice.

Applewood Inn & Restaurant

(707) 869-9093

13555 Highway 116, Guerneville, CA.

Just two minutes by car from downtown Guerneville, Applewood is a perfect place for a romantic getaway or a weekend of quiet luxury. Their 17 rooms and suites come equipped with fireplaces and either a jacuzzi or two person shower. The heated pool (May to October) is great for relaxing after a day spent exploring the wineries of Napa & Sonoma. Full breakfast included. The restaurant, opened for dinner Tues-Sat is considered one of the best in Sonoma.

Highland Dell Inn

(800) 767-1759

21050 River Blvd. Monte Rio, CA.

Bed & Breakfast and Restaurant on the Russian River in the Sonoma Wine Country. Each Bedroom is uniquely different from the next. Morning coffee or a cup of tea in the afternoon can be taken in the river sun room which overlooks the river and its inspiring redwoods. There response to my email inquiring about the TG friendliness of their establishment said: "We are friendly to all diverse lifestyles here at our Inn."

\*\* Highlands Resort

(707) 869-0333

14000 Woodland Drive, Guerneville, CA.

Situated in beautiful Guerneville, in the wine country, the Highlands Resort has several private cabins, many with fireplaces, nestled in amongst the flowers and trees. Relax in the resort's secluded spa, take a swim, or enjoy a massage. You'll be glad you pampered yourself here at our resort! The Highlands Resort offers a gay-friendly (and straight friendly) environment for you to get away from it all. Tent camping available. They responded to my email saying "We consider ourselves 'everyone' friendly, whether that be gay, straight or transgendered". The owner emailed me later with a very encouraging response which indicated that they have TG clients now and that one of the owners friends is TG. She indicated that their resort is in a more secluded area than many of the resorts in the area, and that their TG clients seem very comfortable in thier environment. The pool and hot tub are clothing optional.

The Willows

(800) 953-2828

5905 River Rd., Guerneville, CA.

Situated on five acres at the edge of the Russian River, The Willows has 13 private bedrooms with TV's & VCRs, as well as 60 tent sites. There's also a living room with a fireplace, and a library with a grand piano. A private beach, sun deck, hot tub, sauna, nude sunbathing and free use of canoes make this a favorite destination.

## Section 4 - Professional Services

This section probably should get the most tips. Unfortunately, due to the way the medical environment has established itself with regards to us, some of the tips have to remain on a "word of mouth" basis. What I can say is this. With regards to transitioning to a new gender, a group of Medical (and Legal) professionals have formulated something known as the Harry Benjamin International Standards of Care for Gender Identity Disorders. There is both good and bad associated with this document. The good part is that it is a center repository for studies done on transgendered individuals, so doctors new to the field have something to go by to come up to speed on transgendered issues. The bad is that it frequently presents itself as a series of obstacles one must overcome to transition. For example, in order to get hormones you need to get 2 letters (it use to be one) from 2 psychologist, each of who had to see you weekly for at least three months. At \$80-\$120 per visit this could be as much as a \$2,880 obstacle.

What I will say is this, ask around, not all doctors follow these standards of care, this does not make them any less concerned about your care. These doctors realize that not all transgendered patients can afford to go down the HBSOC path. And don't get too hung up on the name (Standards of Care). If you read them it is clear that they are their to protect Doctors from being Sued as much as they are their to establish Standards of care for the patients. (This is not a bad thing, if you spent years training for a profession you would want to protect your livelihood from out litigious society too).

### Part 1 - Doctors

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Laurel Dawson, M.D. San Francisco, CA Specializing in Endocrinology/Hormones	(*)	(415) 885-8135
Roxanne C. Fiscella, M.D. Berkeley, CA Specializing in Family Practice	(*)	(510) 843-0692

Patricia Jean Galamba, MD (415) 928-4920  
 909 Hyde Street, Suite 410, San Francisco, CA.  
 I received Dr. Galamba's name from Sheila Kirk who is a TG Doctor back east active with IFGE.  
 I have been to her several times. She knows I am TG and has other TG patients. She does not do  
 gender transformation type services, she is a family practice doctor.

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 Specializing in Endocrinology/Hormones

Donald R. Laub, M.D. (\*) (415) 327-7163  
 Palo Alto, CA  
 Specializing in Plastic Surgery

Lyon-Martin Women's Health Services (\*) (415) 565-7672  
 Physician in Charge: Stephanie Roberts, M.D.  
 Specializing in Gynecology

James Meier, M.D. (\*) (650) 573-2421  
 Specializing in Gynecology

Charles Moser, M.D. (\*) (415) 621-4369  
 San Francisco, CA  
 Specializing in general medicine, sexual issues

Pan Pacific Urology (\*) (415) 202-0270  
 San Francisco, CA  
 Specializing in Urology

Ken Peters, M.D. (\*) (650) 961-9430  
 Mountain View, CA  
 Dr. Peters is not an Endocrinologist, but an Internist who administers hormones.

Jeffrey Reese, M.D. (\*) (408) 885-6770  
 San Jose, CA  
 Specializing in Urology

Alan Rubin, M.D. (\*) (415) 391-5567  
 San Francisco, CA  
 Specializing in Endocrinology/Hormones

Joy Diane Shaffer, MD (408) 292-1078  
 1570 The Alameda, Suite 215, San Jose, CA.  
 Dr. Shaffer is probably one of the most knowledgeable physicians in the area on transgendered  
 medical issues. She not only specializes in this area, but she is a member of the community.

Renata Smilo, M.D. (\*) (415) 759-1200  
 San Francisco, CA  
 Specializing in Endocrinology/Hormones

Lisa Snow, M.D. (\*) (510) 848-2450  
 Berkeley, CA  
 Specializing in Endocrinology/Hormones

## Part 2 - Psychologists/Psychiatrists/Psychotherapists

Barbara Anderson, M.S.W., Ph.D.,

(415) 776-0139

1557 Franklin St., San Francisco, CA.

Originally from the East Coast, she was educated at Queens College and Columbia University School of Social Work. She received her Ph.D. at the Institute for the Advanced Study of Human Sexuality in SF.

In 1993, she relocated to San Francisco and established a practice limited to sex therapy and providing consultations to colleagues in the areas of gender counseling and ethical professional practice. She accepted an externship at the Center for Special Problems where she presently works in the Gender Program. Barbara also serves on the Transgender Task Force of the Human Rights Commission of San Francisco and on the ethics committees of the American Association of Sex Educators, Counselors and Therapists and the Society for the Scientific Study of Sexuality.

Her private practice in downtown S.F. is presently limited to sex and gender counseling. She works with individuals, couples and families who have concerns surrounding gender identity and sexual orientation. They often present issues on communication, self-esteem, secrets, alternate life style and relationship styles as well as getting into, maintaining and ending relationships, sexual dysfunctions, compulsive sexual behaviors and concerns about sexually transmitted diseases.

She uses a short-term, here and now, solution-oriented model of therapy, takes an active role in the treatment process and provides feedback and options.

Linda Alperstein, LCSW (\*)

(415) 648-8862

San Francisco, CA

Specializing in Psychotherapy

Dr. Rebecca Auge, Ph.D., Licensed Clinical Psychologist

(510) 835-9820

3637 Grand Ave., Suite C, Oakland

Dr. Auge entered private practice in 1981 after previously teaching in the field. She uses a problem solving approach to working with her clients and helps them develop a path that works for them. Her emphasis is on developing social skills and appropriate behavior for the gender a person wants to assume. This is not a Freudian approach to psychology.

She offers help with job related transition issues at your present work setting or with a new employer. She also helps friends, family and others involved with a transgendered person understand and cope. Her clients are MTF and FTM transitions and she works with post-ops too.

Her fees are on a sliding scale basis and she will accept Medicare, Medi-Cal, clinic referrals and insurance cases.

Jules Bernstein, Ph.D. (\*)

(510) 527-1152

Berkeley, CA

Specializing in Psychotherapy

Millie Brown, Ph.D. (\*)

(408) 249-2205

Los Gatos, CA

Specializing in Psychotherapy

Deborah Caust, Ph.D.	(*)	(415) 255-2161
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Specializing in Sexology		
Carol Pedro-Cirabisi, M.S.	(*)	(510) 704-5241
Berkeley, CA		
Specializing in Psychotherapy		
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Union City, CA		
Specializing in Sex Therapy		
Vera B. Dain,	(*)	(510) 429-8166
Union City, CA		
Certified Sex Therapist and Certified Hypnotherapist		
Robin DEA, M.D.		(415) 299-2250
1150 Veterans Blvd., Redwood City		
Dr. Dea is the only psychiatrist on Kaiser's staff who treats gender related problems and has worked extensively with MTF and FTM clients. She only handles a small case load due to administrative duties and has a long waiting list.		
George Deabill, Ph.D.	(*)	(650) 494-3363
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San Jose, CA		
Specializing in Psychotherapy		
Howard Devore, Ph.D.	(*)	(415) 927-2129
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Albany, CA		
Specializing in Psychotherapy		

Dr. Lin Fraser (415) 299-2250  
2538 California St., San Francisco  
Dr. Fraser offers long term individual psychotherapy-Jungian orientation, and short term group, couples and family therapy-eclectic orientation. Her specialization is evaluating and treating persons with gender identity issues.

Dr. Fraser has also served as an individual and group consultant in gender dysphoria for mental health professionals since 1975. She is a founder of the Bay Area Gender Providers Group. She is also a consultant to corporations and organizations to facilitate transsexual gender shift "on the job." Since 1975 she has done group training and speaking engagements on gender dysphoria for mental health professionals and classes on human sexuality.

Dr Fraser is a licensed Marriage, Family and Child Counselor since Sept. 1976.  
License #MFC 8288

Max Fuentes Fuhrman, Ph.D. (\*) (805) 496-4442  
So. Calif. Area  
Specializing in Psychotherapy

Peter Greenberg, M.D. (\*) (415) 921-8097  
San Francisco, CA  
Specializing in Psychiatry

William A. Henkin, Ph.D. (415) 923-1150  
1801 Bush St., Suite 111, San Francisco, CA  
MFCC License MU 22960, Board Certified Sex Therapist, Fellow, American Academy of Clinical Sexologists, member of HBIQDA, IFGE, ETVC and the Bay Area Gender Associates. His Ph.D. is in human sexuality and his dissertation concerned transsexualism.

He conducts his private psychotherapy practice in San Francisco, where he particularly welcomes people who live alternate sex and/or gender lifestyles, including TV's, TG's, TS's and their SO's. He also works extensively with people who are involved in consensual SM and DS, infantilism and fetishes of various sorts. Although he has a general practice where he works with people around issues of anxiety, depression and intimacy, as well as relationship concerns, his specialties head him to work a good deal with issues of coming out, guilt and shame, as well.

His orientation is fundamentally psychodynamic, in that he believes events that affect us early in life continue to affect us later in life until and unless they are dealt with. But he also works a good deal with normal dissociative processes. Consequently, his work sometimes also entails spirituality and problem solving. In addition to the usual talk mode, he also does some dream work and uses guided meditations; he is trained in EMDR, which he uses selectively.

Kim Hraca, M.A. MFCC (510) 601-1859  
Berkeley, CA  
Psychotherapy, Consultation. Helping you find the path that's right for you.

Paula-Jo Husack, M.A., M.F.C.C. (650) 343-4554  
1838 El Camino Real, Suite 201  
Burlingame, CA  
Counseling, Psychotherapy & Consulting Individuals, Couples, Families, Groups. Paula advertises in the Channel.

- Edward, J. Hyman, Ph.D. (\*) (415) 388-4479  
 Sausalito, CA  
 Specializing in Psychotherapy
- Gianna E. Israel, Gender Specializing Counselor (415) 558-8058  
 P.O. Box 424447, San Francisco, CA  
 Working as a gender specializing counselor since 1988, her private practice is located in San Francisco, where Ms. Israel has worked with many individuals from the Bay Area. She provides individual and relationship counseling, evaluations and referrals, group workshop and couples support.
- An active community member, Gianna is principal author of the Recommended Guidelines for Transgender Care, published by the American Educational Gender Information Service (AEGIS), where she serves as a founding board member. She received two and a half years of individual and group psychotherapy training from Jerry Exel, Ph.D., has received suicide and crisis intervention certification from the State of California and continually refines her skills through ongoing peer-consultation with psychotherapy and medical providers.
- Marie Keller, MFCC (\*) (310) 475-8880  
 Los Angeles, CA  
 Specializing in Psychotherapy
- Davina Kotulski (\*) (510) 843-1396  
 Berkeley, CA  
 Specializing in Psychotherapy
- Nancy A. McKay, L.C.S.W. (510) 272-9994  
 3515 Grand Ave., Oakland, CA  
 Nancy is a licensed clinical social worker with both the Oakland office and one at 3636 Castro Valley Blvd., Castro Valley. She has been in the mental health field for over twenty years and her work has spanned a broad range of people and issues.
- In the last 12 years, Nancy has been a private practice therapist and has helped transvestites and transgendered individuals work through impediments to self acceptance and self esteem and arrive at whatever adjustment in life is best for them.
- Not only has she seen the individuals but she has also worked with their partners and their families to assist everyone with communicating and relating in the most beneficial manner. Issues of self identity, self-image, shame, guilt, fear of rejection and abandonment, and issues unique to each individual are a part of the therapeutic process. She has seen people through the process of coming out and establishing a new gender identity.
- Nancy says of herself, "I grew up in San Francisco amidst all the wonderful diversity this city has to offer. As a result, diversity feels natural to me. My experience and comfort with all types of people serves me well as a therapist."
- Maureen Morrissey, M.A. (\*) (310) 475-8880  
 Los Angeles, CA  
 Specializing in Psychotherapy
- Katherine Reed, LCSW (\*) (415) 566-5079  
 San Francisco, CA  
 Specializing in Psychotherapy

Luanna Rodgers, M.F.C.C. (415) 641-8890  
1102 Sanchez St., San Francisco, CA  
Luanna is very well known in our community. Individual Psychotherapy, Couples & Family Counseling, Gender, Sexuality. Her ad reads "Specializing in work with the Transgender Community."

Linda Thiele, L.C.S.W. (925) 934-4282  
2960 Camino Diablo, Suite 200, Walnut Creek  
Linda is a licensed clinical social worker in private practice. She provides individual and relationship counseling for those in the transgender community who are not interested in a sex change, but who are seeking a better understanding of their desire to crossdress and constructive ways to express it in the context of their current life. In her work with her clients, she focuses on self-acceptance, improving self-esteem, relationship issues and overcoming the shame and guilt that often occurs when keeping a secret.

Linda is an experienced therapist who has been in the field for over twenty years and is both knowledgeable and sensitive to the particular concerns of this community.

Judy Van Maasdam, M.A. (\*) (650) 326-4645  
Palo Alto, CA  
Specializing in Psychotherapy

Anne Vitale PhD (415) 456-4452  
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Author: "Notes on Gender Transition" <http://www.avitale.com>  
Editor: "Vitale Letter" a free, online news mailing list  
Member: HBIGDA and Bay Area Gender Associates.  
My therapeutic approach is Existential-Humanist. That is, I am interested in the process of being. I believe that how we live our lives is ultimately who we are. I firmly believe in providing complete and compassionate psychotherapy for all my clients.

Being transgendered myself (SRS 1980) I know that my job as a therapist is to keep our work together well informed, honest, and thorough. Because individuals with gender issues have many of the same issues regarding living life others have. I try to serve not only as a sex transition guide, if sex reassignment seems appropriate, but as a full issues therapist. I believe that the more responsibility the individual takes in their therapy the more successful and more fulfilling their life will be. In addition to individual therapy, all of my clients are invited to attend on-going support groups.

Cynthia Young, M.A. (408) 448-9809  
1939 The Alameda, San Jose, CA  
Specializing in Psychotherapy. Counseling for Individuals, Couples and Families.

### Part 3 - Lawyers

Lance Burrow San Jose, CA	(*)	(408) 264-9822
Merissa L. Coleman Sacramento, CA Specializing in Family Law, Civil Rights, Gay & Lesbian issues	(*)	(916) 498-6940
Ms. Terri Helbush San Francisco, CA Specializing in Immigration Law	(*)	(415) 421-0860
Douglas B. Inman 12400 Wilshire Blvd., Ste. 400, Los Angeles, CA 90025 DBInman@AOL.com	(*)	
Sandy Kasten MBA Attorney at Law 1699 Solano Ave. Suite C, Albany, CA Sandy also has a entry under tax preparation. Her ad in the DVG Devil Woman indicates she handles Tax Matters, Estate Planning, Wills & Trusts, Corporations and Nonprofits.		(510) 526-4822
Norma J. Lambert San Francisco, CA	(*)	(415) 202-0399
Shannon Minter San Francisco, CA National Center for Lesbian Rights (NCLR)- Youth issues, Immigration, Family law, Non-biological Parent issues - does not do trial work, but may be able to give some referrals and/or provide support and education to trail attorneys concerning transsexual and transgender issues.	(*)	(415) 392-6257
Karen Ryer Guerneville, CA	(*)	(707) 869-1540
Anne Steele San Bruno, CA	(*)	(650) 952-0950
Kary Beth Thompson San Jose, CA	(*)	(408) 249-9567
Melinda Whiteway Santa Cruz, CA	(*)	(408) 458-2545

## Part 4 - Voice Therapist

Carol Fleming (415) 391-9179  
San Francisco, CA

Carol Freidman (415) 922-6377  
San Francisco, CA

Maureen M. O'Connor, M.S., Speech & Language Pathologist, Peninsula Associates  
830 Menlo Avenue #109, Menlo Park, CA 94025  
Fax: (650) 324-9880 Phone: (650) 324-0648

and

760 Polhemus Road, San Mateo, CA 94402  
Fax: (650) 349-0350 Phone: (650) 349-8717

Maureen is a licensed, credentialed speech and language pathologist. She has worked with transgendered clients in the areas of voice and communications skills since 1975. Clients are seen for an initial 2 1/2 to 3 hour consultation/evaluation session. Gender-based communication differences are discussed and the client's skills are analyzed in four main areas: pitch and vocal melody, voice quality, language use, and nonverbal communication. Diagnostic therapy tasks and client goals are also completed at the consultation. Many clients are seen for follow-up therapy sessions, most often 1 hour sessions every 2 weeks. Some clients are seen less often, or practice communication changes independently, after the initial visit. Group voice therapy is sometimes available. By the way two people from two different organizations have recommended Maureen to me.

Lucy Jones (Voice Coach) (650) 697-8780  
Burlingame, CA

## Part 5 - Other Services

Darcy Leopard Certified Massage Therapist      mystrthm@sprynet.com      (415) 641-8169  
A place to go to get a massage (Darcy tell me what you want me to say here).

### Gender Friendly Photographers

Dianne [REDACTED] (from DVG)  
Dianne has taken pictures at DVG meetings before, I have a few and I think they turned out well. Since Dianne is a member of our community you can be assured that she will handle the pictures in a secure manner.

Ms. Ben Walker      (925) 439-1213  
Concord  
Ms. Walker has worked with both TGIF and DVG and the Rainbow Community. She is available for taking pictures at group meetings.

### Tax & Business Service

The Numbers Game      (510) 527-9109  
1309 Solano Ave. Suite C, Albany, CA  
I have been looking for a TG friendly tax service to do my taxes so I had to make sure this got into the resource guide. Jano Bogg and Sandy Kasten advertise their business in the DVG Devil Woman publication. I spoke with Donna about them and she gave them a great recommendation. So when it is time for you to have your taxes done you can pay someone else, or keep the money in the TG friendly community. Sandy also has an entry under Lawyers.

### Travel Agent

Robert Watts (Sacramento)      (916) 481-7581  
This is a TG friendly person who I met at an event in Sacramento who can provide travel arrangements for you.

## Section 5 - Gender Information & Education Groups

### Part 1 - Gender Programs

American Transsexual Education Center (A.T.E.C.) (213) 469-4709  
1626 N. Wilcox Avenue, Suite 584, Hollywood, CA 90028  
Amanda Silvestri, Director  
Confidential, non-judgmental telephone crisis and personal counseling, referrals to support groups in your area, referrals to medical service providers, speakers, newsletter. Non-profit.

FTM International, Inc. voicemail/office (415) 553-5987  
1360 Mission St., Ste. 200, San Francisco, CA 94103 fax (510) 547-4785  
James Green, President  
e-mail: TSTGMen@aol.com  
website: <http://www.ftm-intl.org>  
Group meets from 2 to 5 p.m. the second Sunday of every month. \$2.00 donation per meeting. Meeting alternate between informational (Jan., March, May, July, Sept., Nov.) and Support (Feb., April, June, Aug., Oct., Dec.). Informationals are open to all; support meetings are open only to FTM-identified individuals.

Publishes *FTM Newsletter* quarterly (Feb., May, Aug., Nov.). Also distributes Lou Sullivan's book, Information for the Female-to-Male Cross-Dresser and Transsexual.

Provides educational speakers' advocates for TS/TG civil rights, access to medical services, promotes diversity and inclusion. 501(c)(3) – donations are tax deductible.

The Intersex Society of North America voice (415) 575-3885  
P.O. Box 31791, San Francisco, CA 94131 fax (415) 252-8202  
Cheryl Chase, Founder  
e-mail: [cchase@isna.org](mailto:cchase@isna.org)  
Information and support for persons born with ambiguous genitalia. Newsletter

Los Angeles Gender Center (310) 475-8880  
1923 1/2 Westwood Blvd., Ste. 2, Los Angeles, CA 90025  
Counseling, support groups, and educational services related to crossdressing, transgenderism, transsexualism, gay/lesbian/bi-sexual issues. Call for more information and fee schedules.

San Francisco Gender Information  
P.O. Box 423602, San Francisco, CA 94142-3602  
Referrals and networking service. Send \$3.00 and self-addressed, stamped #10 envelope for a database printout, including bibliography.

## Part 2 - Gender Programs

Gender Dysphoria Program, Inc.

1515 El Camino Real, Palo Alto, CA 94306

Coordinator: Judy Van Maasdam, M.A.

Primary Surgeon: Donald R. Laub, M.D.

(650) 326-4645

Gender Dysphoria Program of Orange County

32158 Camino Capistrano, Suite 203, San Juan Capistrano, CA 92675

Director: Wm. G. Heard, Ph.D.

(714) 240-7020

### Part 3 - Self Help Groups

- (FTM) Chameleon Program (415) 292-3400  
API Wellness Center x-351  
730 Polk Street, 4th Floor, San Francisco, CA 94109  
Coordinator: Kiki Whitlock  
Support group for Asian/API FTMs
- DVG (Diablo Valley Girls) hotline (925) 937-8432  
P.O. Box 272885, Concord, CA. 94527-2885  
Support & Social group. Diablo Valley Girls is a non-profit, non-sexual support group for transgendered individuals, their families and friends. Meetings are held on the first and third Monday of every month. Call the hot line for details.
- (FTM) Eighteenth Street Services (415) 861-4898  
217 Church Street, San Francisco, CA 94114  
Counseling and support groups, specializing in substance abuse and AIDS prevention. Call for more information. Non-profit.
- ETVC (Educational TV Channel) hotline (415) 564-3246  
P.O. Box 426486, San Francisco, CA 94142-6486  
ETVC, Inc., a non-profit corporation, is a non-sexual, membership based organization serving the educational, social and recreational needs of gender gifted people, their spouses and significant others.
- L.O.T.S. (Loved Ones of TransSexuals)  
4266 Sandburg Way, Irvine, CA 92715  
Contact: Jeanne Ebner  
Support and information for families and partners of transsexuals.
- LYRIC Youth Talkline (22 years and younger ONLY) (415) 863-3636  
123 Collingwood (near 18th/Castro) outside S.F. (800) 246-PRIDE  
Support, information, activities, rap groups, referrals for transgendered or questioning youth.
- Pacific Center for Human Growth (510) 548-8283  
2712 Telegraph Avenue, Berkeley, CA 94705  
Rap group meets the first and third Wednesdays and the last Friday of each month at 8 p.m. Call for more information. 501(c)(3) -- donations are tax deductible.
- Rainbow Gender Association (408) 984-4044  
P.O. Box 700730, San Jose, CA 95170  
Meets first and third Friday each month at New Community of Faith Church, 6350 Rainbow Drive, San Jose. Non-profit.
- SGA (Sacramento Gender Association) (916) 482-7742  
P.O. Box 215456, Sacramento, CA. 95821-1456  
SGA is a non-sexual, membership based organization serving the educational, recreational, and fun needs of the gender challenged community, their spouses, significant others, family members and professionals. Membership is open to all interested persons regardless of gender or sexual orientation.

Tenderloin Self-Help Center (415) 554-0518  
191 Golden Gate (at Leavenworth), San Francisco, CA 94102  
Rap group meets every Wednesday from 4 to 6 p.m. Call for details. Non-profit.

T.R.E.E. (Transsexuals Rap for Enlightenment and Educations) (714) 629-4431  
637 N. Park, Pomona, CA  
Contact: Ray [REDACTED]  
Rap group meets first and third Mondays of each month, 7:30 to 9 p.m. Non-profit.

Under Construction (\*) (818) 837-1904  
P.O. Box 922342, Sylmar, CA 91392-2342  
Contact: Jeff Shevlowitz  
e-mail: [REDACTED]@juno.com  
Monthly FTM-only support groups and quarterly meetings open to all.

Would you like to be in this guide ? Do you know some other business that would like to be in this guide ?  
If so fill out the form below and send it to us at the address below.

### New Resource Form

Type of Resource (From our table of Contents) \_\_\_\_\_

Business Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Business Phone Number: (     ) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

Business Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Description of Services: \_\_\_\_\_

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