



GREATER TWIN CITIES UNITED WAY
ARISE PROJECT

**BOLD, CIVIC-MINDED PROFESSIONALS DEDICATED
TO ADDRESSING THE NEEDS OF LGBTQ COMMUNITIES
IN THE GREATER TWIN CITIES**

Our Vision

United Way's Arise Project envisions a Minnesota where all youth, regardless of their sexual orientation or gender identity, have the support and resources they need to reach their full potential. We partner with local agencies to provide innovative grants that support LGBTQ homeless youth and raise awareness and consensus around the issues faced by the LGBTQ communities in our area.

Issues we're facing

An estimated **2,500 youth** are without shelter on any given night*

LGBTQ youth in Minnesota are up to **4x more likely** to experience significant and long-term mental health issues

40% of homeless young people identify as LGBTQ**

LGBTQ people of color are **6x more likely** to experience poverty than their white counterparts

Why Arise Project Works

Arise is an innovator in identifying needs for LGBTQ homeless youth. We're the only organization creating unique one-of-a-kind grants that empower agencies to expand their services and programming equitably for LGBTQ youth. Our volunteer-led steering committee votes on all funds granted to partner agencies. Which means each year, your support is invested for the greatest impact by others who share your care and passion for LGBTQ communities.

Our Progress

Since 2011, Arise Project has:

Provided **485 shelter or housing** opportunities

Connected **1,686 youth** to resources

Raised over **\$1 million** in support

Build funding for LGBTQ Organizations Sector-Wide:

Despite disparities in health, income, education, and safety, LGBTQ communities are chronically underfunded. Arise works to secure more philanthropic dollars for our communities and issues.

Maintain Stable Funding

Arise is the only consistent LGBTQ youth homelessness funder in the Twin Cities.

Our Multi-Year Plan

More work to be done

Expand to Other Issues Beyond Youth Homelessness:

LGBTQ communities face barriers beyond youth housing. Looking ahead, Arise is uniquely positioned to support additional issues facing LGBTQ communities, such as safety, health and aging.

Expand to Other Organizations:

Current funds allow us to support nearly 20 organizations, but there are many more who would embrace the opportunity to create programs and services for LGBTQ youth.



Your Gift. Your Impact. Your Choice.

Join Arise Project by making a gift today or by designating to Arise Project during the United Way campaign at your workplace. Here's just a few perks of being involved:

- Connect with other LGBTQA professionals.
- Join Arise's committee to direct your investment for greatest impact.
- Advocate for LGBTQ issues.
- Participate in meaningful volunteer projects serving local homeless youth.
- Empower others by hosting a learning session.
- Make a lasting impact in the lives of homeless LGBTQ youth and the community.

More at gtcuw.org/arise

