

WE KNOW THE STATS ARE HIGH ON TRANS SUICIDE...

AND WE TALK ABOUT IT BECAUSE WE WANT IT TO END. BUT WHAT IS IT DOING TO US TO FRAME OUR LIVES LIKE THIS? WE ARE MORE THAN JUST PEOPLE WHO DIE, INCLUDING THOSE WHO ARE NO LONGER WITH US.

HOW TRANS PEOPLES LIVES ARE FRAMED IMPACTS HOW WE FEEL. OUR COMMUNITIES DESERVE TO THRIVE – NOT JUST SURVIVE.



IT'S NOT BECAUSE OF WHO WE ARE, BUT HOW WE HAVE BEEN TREATED!

IT'S TIME TO CHANGE THE STORY ON TRANS LIVES

WE NEED TO TELL THE WHOLE STORY, IF YOU ARE GOING TO TALK ABOUT TRANS PEOPLE DYING OF SUICIDE AND SAY "WE ARE MORE LIKELY TO SUICIDE" THEN WE NEED TO ADD THAT

WE ARE MORE LIKELY TO DIE BY SUICIDE BECAUSE WE ARE:^{1,2}

FAR MORE LIKELY TO BE MADE HOMELESS BY FAMILY VIOLENCE AND REJECTION

FAR MORE LIKELY TO EXPERIENCE A HATE CRIME

FAR MORE LIKELY TO BE DISCRIMINATED WHEN ACCESSING A JOB

FAR MORE LIKELY TO EXPERIENCE VERBAL ABUSE

FAR MORE LIKELY TO BE DISCRIMINATED AGAINST WHEN IN A SCHOOL OR WORKPLACE

FAR MORE LIKELY TO BE DISCRIMINATED AGAINST WHEN SEEKING ACCESS TO HEALTHCARE

TRANS PEOPLE THRIVE WHEN

They are connected to LGBTIQ+ community

They are loved by their family

They receive positive messages about being transgender

They have access to health care where and when they need it, including gender affirmation care

They can participate in sport and recreation activities

They can see positive depictions of transgender role models

They are accepted by their faith



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