

THE MATTACHINE SOCIETY OF WASHINGTON
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STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

1. It is the purpose of this organization to act by any lawful means:
 - (a) To secure for homosexuals the right to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness, as proclaimed for all men by the Declaration of Independence; and to secure for homosexuals the basic rights and liberties established by the word and the spirit of the Constitution of the United States;
 - (b) To equalize the status and position of the homosexual with those of the heterosexual by achieving equality under law, equality of opportunity, equality in the society of his fellow men, and by eliminating adverse prejudice, both private and official;
 - (c) To secure for the homosexual the right, as a human being, to develop and achieve his full potential and dignity, and the right, as a citizen, to make his maximum contribution to the society in which he lives;
 - (d) To inform and enlighten the public about homosexuals and homosexuality;
 - (e) To assist, protect, and counsel the homosexual in need.
2. It is not a purpose of this organization to act as a social group, or as an agency for personal introductions.
3. This organization will cooperate with other minority organizations which are striving for the realization of full civil rights and liberties for all.
