

Start Date	Headline	Text
	Timeline of Trans History DC and National 1896-2008	This timeline presents some of the key dates in local and national trans history as tracked by volunteer researchers.
	NATIONAL: Albert Cashier enlists in the Civil War	Albert Cashier served in the Union army during the Civil War. Born Jennie Irene Hodgers, Cashier claimed in later life to have begun dressing in male clothing as a child in order to find work.
	LOCAL: Two-Spirited Zuni leader We'wha Arrives in DC	As Zuni ambassador to the US, We'wha successfully negotiated a treaty with the US and became the toast of DC society.
1952	NATIONAL: Christine Jorgensen one of first to undergo sex reassignment surgery	Jorgensen made headlines with <i>New York Daily News</i> article "Ex-GI becomes blonde beauty" (December 1, 1952). She went on to become an educator and performer. Launched by transgender pioneer Virginia Prince, <i>Transvestia</i> was one of the first transgender magazines.
	NATIONAL: First issue of <i>Transvestia</i> published	In San Francisco, the trans community fought back against police harassment. Nearly 40 years later, the film documentary <i>Screaming Queens</i> (2005) recaptured the event.
1966	NATIONAL: Compton's Cafeteria Riot	Sexologist Dr. Harry Benjamin, who coined the term "transsexual," recognized the existence of transsexual people in this book. Dr. Benjamin went on to create the International Gender Dysphoria Association (now WPATH).
1966	NATIONAL: <i>The Transsexual Phenomenon</i> published	
1975	NATIONAL: Minneapolis adopts first local antidiscrimination law protecting trans people.	
1977/1978	LOCAL: Louis the Rogue show bar in Northwest	Louis the rogue show bar in nw one of the first Kevan Hill costume designer

1979	NATIONAL: First Standards of Care manual published	First published by the Harry Benjamin International Gender Dysphoria Association (now WPATH), the <i>Standards of Care for the Health of Transsexual, Transgender, and Gender Nonconforming People</i> provides guidelines for medical transition. The manual is now in its seventh version .
1979	MPD Officer Bonnie Davenport transitioned from male to female	Bonnie served 20 years in the 4th district, retiring in 1991. Bonnie passed away November 17, 2009. She was 66 years old. She was the first trans person to serve in the MPD
1980	LOCAL: The Brass Rail, located at 13th St NW and New York Ave NW, introduced the newest transgender group that traveled and did production plays	
1982	LOCAL: Earline Budd wins discrimination lawsuit	Budd successfully sued the Kalorama Skating Rink, which refused her entry on the basis of "gender appropriate" dress.
1982	LOCAL: Delta Chi Sorority, later TransGender Educational Association, formed	Originally a chapter of crossdressing support organization Tri-Ess (Society for the Second Self), Delta Chi later became independent, changing its name to the Delta Chi Education Association, and finally to the TransGender Educational Association . TGEA is "dedicated to educating, helping and supporting transgendered individuals, their Significant Others, Families, and Friends."

		<p>SMYAL was founded by community activists out of concern about the hospitalization of "cross-dressing" youth in St. Elizabeth's Public Psychiatric Hospital. Its mission is "to promote and support self-confident, healthy, productive lives for LGBTQ youth as they journey from adolescence into adulthood. SMYAL concentrates on five focus areas: (1) Life Skills & Leadership Development, (2) Counseling & Support, (3) Health & Wellness Education, (4) Safe Social Activities, and (5) Community Outreach and Education."</p>
1984	<p>LOCAL: Sexual Minority Youth Assistance League (SMYAL) founded</p>	
1984	<p>NATIONAL: International Foundation for Gender Education founded</p>	<p>IFGE is the publisher of the trans magazine <i>Tapestry</i>. The Metro Area Gender Identity Connection continues to serve as a peer support group.</p>
1985	<p>LOCAL: Janus organization, later Metro Area Gender Identity Connection</p>	<p>FTMI serves the female-to-male community worldwide.</p>
1986	<p>NATIONAL: FTM International established</p>	
1989	<p>LOCAL: Transgenders against discrimination Dee Curry</p>	
1991	<p>NATIONAL: "Paris is Burning" released</p>	<p>A documentary focused on gay and transgender people in the New York City drag queen community</p>
1992	<p>NATIONAL: First International Conference on Transgender Law & Employment in Houston</p>	<p>Organized by transgender attorney Phyllis Randolph Frye, the conference met annually 1992-1997.</p>
1992	<p>LOCAL: National Association of People with AIDS hired Patti Shaw, the 1st transgender person to work there</p>	<p>The organization's headquarters were in Silver Spring, Maryland</p>
1992	<p>LOCAL: Center request at center D.C. Council</p>	

		Adopted by the International Conference on Transgender Law and Employment Policy in Houston, the http://www.transgenderlegal.com/ IBGR includes ten rights, beginning with the right to define gender identity.
1993	NATIONAL: International Bill of Gender Rights Published NATIONAL: Minnesota adopts first statewide law prohibiting discrimination against transgender people	
1993	NATIONAL: Transman Brandon Teena raped and murdered	21-year-old Teena was killed within months of moving to Falls City, Nebraska. Teena's life and death was brought to the screen in the Academy Award-winning 1999 film <i>Boys Don't Cry</i> and in the documentary <i>The Brandon Teena Story</i> . Founded by Cheryl Chase, http://www.isna.org/ ISNA "is devoted to systemic change to end shame, secrecy, and unwanted genital surgeries for people born with an anatomy that someone decided is not standard for male or female."
1993	NATIONAL: Intersex Society of North America founded	
1993	LOCAL: HIPS founded to serve youth sex workers	http://www.hips.org/ HIPS' mission is "to assist female, male, and transgendered individuals engaging in sex work in Washington, DC in leading healthy lives."
1994	LOCAL: Transgenders Against Discrimination and Defamation formed	
1994	NATIONAL: Public hearing on trans discrimination held in San Francisco	Held by San Francisco's Human Rights Commission, the hearing exposed pervasive discrimination against transpeople. Read the Commission's report http://www.hawaii.edu/hivandaids/Tg/Report__Investigation_into_Discrimination_Against_Transgendered_People-ed.pdf here.

1994	LOCAL: The 1st transgender support group was formed by Jessica Xavier, Jean Bey-Robinson, and Dee Carry and was hosted by Patti Shaw and Earline Budd	
1995	LOCAL: Holy War Committee protests Capital Pride	Protesting Capital Pride's refusal to add bisexual and transgender to the event's title, organizers held an alternative June event in Rock Creek Park. Injured in a traffic accident, Hunter was denied care by the DC Fire Department and died of her injuries. The denial of treatment on August 7, 1995 at 50th and C Streets SE was widely condemned and led to a successful suit by Tyra's mother against the city. The drop-in center at 1711 N. Capitol St NE which opened in 2006 was named in Tyra Hunter's honor.
1995	LOCAL: Transwoman Tyra Hunter denied care, dies	
1995	LOCAL: Ms. Willie murdered, was killed on 16th	
1996	LOCAL: Transgender Health Empowerment founded	Founded by transpeople for transpeople, THE aims "to enhance the quality of life of the diverse transgender populations we serve by advocating for and supporting a continuum of health and social services. In fulfilling our mission, we seek to unify and empower the transgender, lesbian, gay, and bisexual communities."
1997	LOCAL: Capital Pride includes "transgender" and "bisexual" in title	
1997	LOCAL: Patti Shaw was the 1st transgender (ed: I'm not sure if this meant trans woman?) that was allowed into the Us Helping Us male support group	

1998	LOCAL: DC Area Transmasculine Society formed	The DC Area Transmasculine Society is “a peer-facilitated social and support group in the DC area for anyone on the transmasculine spectrum. We are persons born or assigned female at birth and feel that this is an inaccurate or incomplete description of who we are today.”
1999	LOCAL: Earline Budd wins discrimination lawsuit (edit 5/16/17: suit also brought by Patti Shaw along with Earline Budd)	Budd sued the DC Department of Corrections for being refusing her access as a visitor. The formal complaint of discrimination based upon physical appearance led to a settlement which removed signs which read: "No One in Opposite Gender clothing will be admitted."
1999	LOCAL: First Washington, DC Transgender Day of Remembrance	On November 20th, Washington's first day remembrance for victims of transphobia was held at the Washington Monument grounds. The Day of Remembrance was first held in California in 1998 to remember Rita Hester.
1999	NATIONAL: National Transgender Advocacy Coalition formed	The National Transgender Advocacy Coalition is “a lobbying and advocacy organization in the United States dedicated to protecting the civil rights of transgender and gender variant people”. NTAC later incorporated in Virginia.
1999	NATIONAL: GenderPac formed.	The Gender Public Advocacy Coalition (GenderPAC) “works to ensure that classrooms, communities, and workplaces are safe for everyone to learn, grow, and succeed - whether or not they meet expectations for masculinity and femininity. As a human rights organization, GenderPAC also promotes an understanding of the connection between discrimination based on gender stereotypes and sex, sexual orientation, age, race, and class.”
1999	LOCAL: Gay and Lesbian Liaison Unit formed at MPD	The unit was formed under Chief Charles Ramsey after two officers noted that D.C. police only reported 2 hate crimes for the year in 1998. Now known as the LGBT Liaison Unit. Sergeant Brett Parson began running the unit in 2000.

2000	NATIONAL: Transgender Law and Policy Institute formed.	The group is dedicated to “engaging in effective advocacy for transgender people in our society. The TLPI brings experts and advocates together to work on law and policy initiatives designed to advance transgender equality.”
2000	LOCAL: Us Helping Us receives first grant for transgender support services	Us Helping Us "is committed to improving the health and well-being of Black gay men through innovative programs and services and – through a vision of inclusiveness – to reducing the impact of HIV/AIDS in the entire Black community." The organization was also fiduciary agent for the The Washington Transgender Needs Assessment Survey.
2000	LOCAL: DC Dept. of Health publishes Washington DC Transgender Needs Assessment Survey	WT NAS was the first quantitative evaluation of the health and housing needs and concerns of the city's transgender population. Jessica Xavier was the principle investigator.
2000	LOCAL (?): Sofia Carrera	
2001	NATIONAL: San Francisco provides equal health benefits to transgender city employees	
2001	LOCAL: D.C. Trans activist 100	
2002	LOCAL: Stephanie Thomas and Ukea Davis murdered	Thomas and Davis, both transwomen, were murdered on August 12th at 50th and C Streets SE, shocking the local LGBT community. A memorial service was held at the site of the murders, the same site where Tyra Hunter had been denied medical care by DC Fire Department personnel seven years earlier.
2002	NATIONAL: Gwen Araujo murdered	The murder of this trans teenager in California focused national attention on violence against transgenders.

2002	NATIONAL: Sylvia Rivera Law Project founded in New York City. LOCAL: Three violent attacks against transgender women in month of August	SRLP works "to guarantee that all people are free to self-determine gender identity and expression, regardless of income or race, and without facing harassment, discrimination or violence." The attacks highlighted local transphobic violence.
2002	LOCAL (?): Washington Post trans HIV positive	
2003	LOCAL: Whitman-Walker opens Transgender Health Clinic	
2003	LOCAL: National Center for Transgender Equality established	The NCTE is "devoted to ending discrimination and violence against transgender people through education and advocacy on national issues of importance to transgender people."
August 2003	LOCAL: We (ed: Casa Ruby?) did a united press conference against violence	
2004	LOCAL: D.C. Trans coalitions	
2004	LOCAL: HIV/AIDS Administration Dr. Martin	
2004	LOCAL: Casa Ruby incorporated as Latinos en Accion	
2005	LOCAL: DC Transgender Coalition formed NATIONAL: California prohibits insurance and health care discrimination against transgender people	Through DCTC , trans people and allies united to improve the lives of trans people in our nation's capital.
2005	NATIONAL: <i>Transamerica</i> released in the United States.	This movie about a pre-operative male-to-female transsexual went on to be nominated for two Academy Awards and win a Golden Globe award and several film festival awards.

2005	LOCAL: Human Rights Clarification Act passed	The act added prohibition of employment, housing, and city agency discrimination against transgender people to the human rights law.
2006	LOCAL: DC Department of Motor Vehicles changes policy on gender marker changes on licenses.	
2006	LOCAL: Transgender Health Empowerment opens drop-in center	This was the first all-inclusive drop-in center for the city's transgender population.
2006	LOCAL: First Girl Galk retreat held	First transgender retreat at Us Helping Us. Retreat was led by transgender women.
2006	LOCAL: The GLLU unit at the MPD wins the Harvard University Kennedy School of Government's Ashe Institute's Innovation in American Government Award	GLLU was a finalist for this award in 2005
2006	LOCAL: Ruby Corado became Executive Director (ed: of Casa Ruby?)	
2007	LOCAL: First Capital Trans Pride event	On June 3rd, Rev. Brian and Ruth Hamilton of Westminster Presbyterian Church hosted the first Capital Trans Pride event. 178 attended the event, which was founded by by SaVanna Wanzer.
2007	LOCAL: First Transgender Awareness Month held in June.	
2007	LOCAL: Metropolitan Police Dept. issues general order on how to deal respectfully with transgender people	
2007	LOCAL: Patti Shaw was the 1st transgender person to have their PDID number changed with Metropolitan Police Department	
2007	NATIONAL: Candis Cayne appears in "Dirty Sexy Money"	She was the first trans woman to appear in a prime time network drama, playing the girlfriend of Billy Baldwin's character
2007	LOCAL: THE opened the first TG House	

2007	LOCAL (?): Christ Dyer, trans sensitivity doctor, revision	
2008	LOCAL: Transgender Health Empowerment opens LGBT youth housing facility	
2008	LOCAL: Whitman-Walker Clinic re-vamps Transgender Health Program	The modified Transgender Health Program at Whitman-Walker focuses on comprehensive care coordination in a trans-competent manner, continuing its focus on medical services (such as testosterone and hormone therapy) while also focusing on mental health services and referrals.
2009	NATIONAL: Matthew Shepherd Act signed into law	The Matthew Shepherd and James Byrd Jr. hate crimes prevention act, also known as the Matthew Shepherd Act, was passed by Congress on October 22, 2009, and signed into law by President Barack Obama on October 28, 2009, as a rider to the National Defense Authorization Act for 2010
2009	NATIONAL: Chaz Bono announces transition from female to male	The child of singing icons Sonny and Cher announces he is transgender at the age of 40
2010	NATIONAL: Laverne Cox produces and stars in TRANSform Me	She is the first African-American transgender person to produce and star in their own TV show
2010	NATIONAL: Amanda Simpson becomes first transgender presidential appointee	Simpson is named Senior Technical Adviser in the Commerce Department's Bureau of Industry and Security
2010	LOCAL (?): basket ball player	
2010	LOCAL (?): project empowerment employment	
2011	LOCAL: Catalina, a trans undocumented woman, graduated from Georgetown	
2011	LOCAL (?): 2011 - EILC/Medicare	
June 2012	LOCAL: Whitman-Walker Health's Legal Services programs holds first Name and Gender Change Legal Clinic	15 clients receive services
2012	LOCAL: Opened first Casa Ruby Center called The Life Center	

April 2013	LOCAL: MPD hires trans male officer Morgan Givens	Morgan Givens is hired by MPD and begins training at the Academy. Morgan "Mo" had already transitioned from female to male. He was the first trans male D.C. officer. Mo left the agency December 2015. Mo served in the second district.
June 2013	LOCAL: DC Council passes the JaParker Deoni Jones Birth Certificate Equality Amendment Act of 2013	This bill removes the publication requirement for name change applicants to streamline the D.C. birth certificate change process and to empower D.C. courts to issue gender change orders
2013	LOCAL: QUIP chapter led by Catalina Velasquez	
2013	LOCAL: Casa Ruby assumed the contract for Wanda Alston	
February 2014	LOCAL: MPD Sergeant Jessica Hawkins transitions from male to female	Jessica began her career with the MPD in May of 2000. She worked in the Anacostia section of the city from 2000-2015. In March 2015, Jessica was asked to run GLLU/LGBT Liaison Unit for the MPD. Currently, she runs the LGBT liaison unit and the deaf and hard of hearing unit.
February 2014	LOCAL: D.C. Mayor announces that D.C. Medicaid, D.C. government's employee health insurance, and all private plans sold in D.C. must cover transition-related services	
2014	LOCAL: Casa Ruby opened 1st youth transitional transgender house	
October 2014	LOCAL: DC Mayor Vince Gray walks Ruby Corado down the aisle at her wedding	
April 2015	LOCAL: Whitman-Walker Health receives first transgender legal services grant from the D.C. Bar Foundation	
September 2015	LOCAL: Whitman-Walker Health's Name and Gender Change Legal Clinic serves its 500th client	

October 2015	<p>LOCAL: MPD hires trans male officer Caden Polk</p> <p>LOCAL: LGBTQ adult hypothermia shelter</p>	<p>Caden Polk is hired by MPD and begins recruit training at the Academy. Caden had already transitioned from female to male. Caden completed the academy and currently serves in 5th district. Caden also serves as an affiliate for the LGBT Liaison Unit</p>
2015		
2015	<p>LOCAL: Casa Ruby opens Emergency House</p>	
2016	<p>LOCAL: Us Helping Us is featured in a Swerve magazine article</p>	
2016	<p>LOCAL: Preppy campaign held for Us Helping Us</p>	
January 2017	<p>LOCAL: SMYAL cuts ribbon of new house on January 7</p>	

