

is proud to present: The Gender Affirming Identification Project (GAIP)

WHAT is **GAIP**: A pro bono legal program that will assist people seeking gender affirming changes to their state and federal identification documents. GAIP will provide comprehensive guidance to persons seeking gender affirming legal services. The project includes:

- carefully created intake documents to help identify potential issues or barriers to these processes.
- a self-help resource guide providing the information required to enable people to independently pursue such changes.
- in-house pro bono legal volunteers and attorneys to provide comprehensive legal representation throughout the process including any necessary hearings; and
- a community, legal and resource-based network with key stakeholders to increase access to resources and desired outcomes.

WHO we can assist: <u>adults</u> who were <u>both</u> born in and currently reside in Massachusetts seeking administrative and legal assistance with gender affirming changes to federal and state legal identification documentation.

WHAT we can assist with: administrative and legal processes necessary to make gender-affirming changes to:

- Massachusetts State ID
- Massachusetts Birth Certificate
- Social Security Card
- Passport

GAIP is also able to assist with non-legal recommendations for gender affirming related services, such as access to health insurance or a PCP.

HOW we can assist: GAIP has pro bono volunteers and attorneys to provide guidance and assistance with:

- Administrative forms and filings with the local Probate Court
- Legal proceedings including a Hearing and Motion to Waive Publication
- Notary services
- Indigency waivers
- Financial assistance for associated fees

WHERE we can assist: outreach and resources are focused on the four (4) counties of Western MA: Hampden, Hampshire, Franklin, and Berkshire.

Intake forms and inquiries can be sent to GAIP the following ways:

Mail: The Center for Social Justice, WNEU School of Law, 1215 Wilbraham Road | Springfield, MA 01119

Email: CSJ@law.wne.edu Fax: (413) 796-2067 Phone: (413) 796-2101

<u>Learn more about The Center and find our fillable forms online at</u>: https://www1.wne.edu/law/centers/center-for-social-justice/index.cfm</u>

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