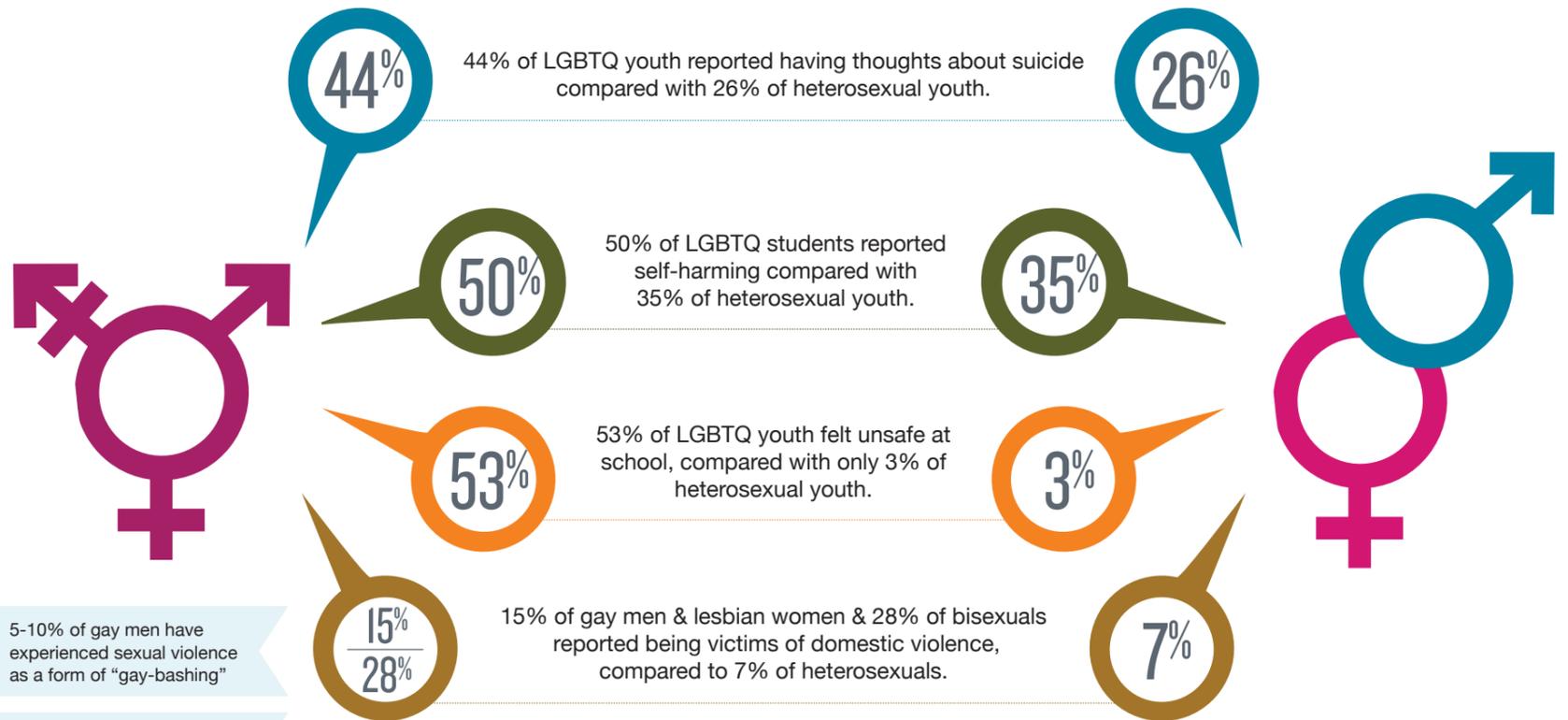


# The Government of Alberta is committed to supporting the LGBTQ community in Alberta

## LGBTQ community experiences adversity:



5-10% 5-10% of gay men have experienced sexual violence as a form of "gay-bashing"

30-50% 30-50% of homeless youth identify as LGBTQ

## 1 in 5 Canadian LGBTQ students experience bullying every day:

78%   
feel unsafe at school

90%  
are verbally bullied

70%  
hear transphobic comments every day

37%   
harassed about the orientation of their parents

## Prolonged exclusion and discrimination can lead to:

Missing school and/or work

Poverty



Chronic mental illness

Homelessness



Stress



Suicide



Addictions

Physical and/or sexual violence

# The Government of Alberta is taking action

Supports are available for family violence and bullying prevention:

BULLYING HELPLINE

1-888-456-2323

FAMILY VIOLENCE INFO LINE

310-1818



LANGUAGES

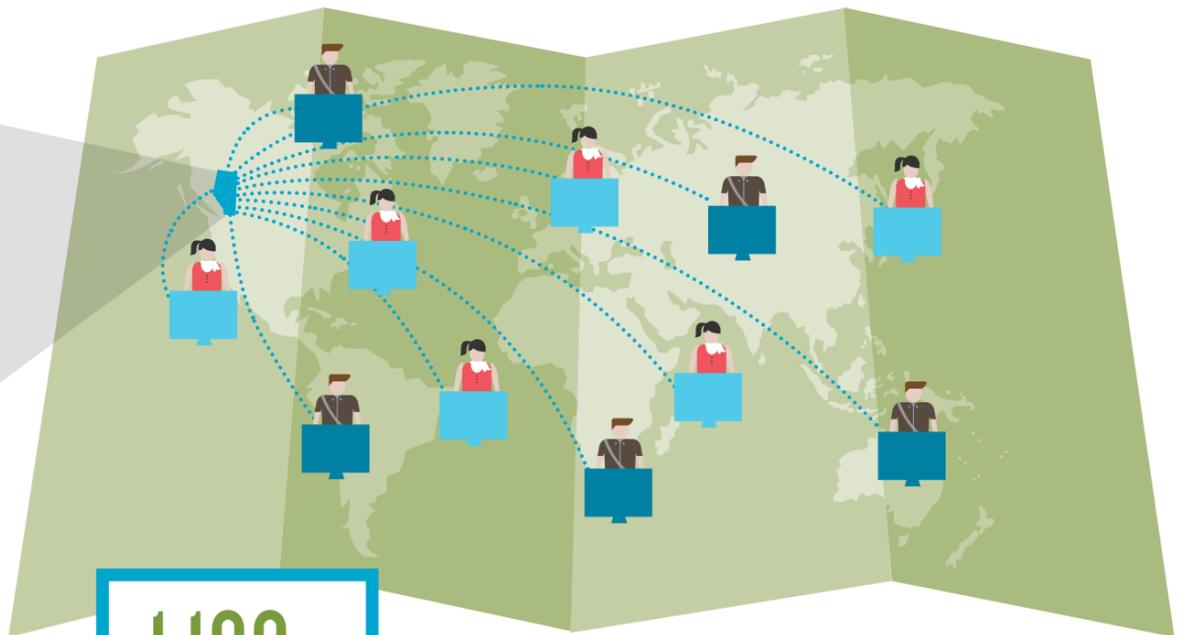
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Our online resources are helping communities across Alberta and around the world:

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Accessed our online resources, such as fact sheets on homophobic and transphobic bullying and GSAs in schools.

Visit [humanservices.alberta.ca/LGBTQ](http://humanservices.alberta.ca/LGBTQ)



1,100+

The government hosted a webcast with experts who gave advice on how to stop bullying at school, work and in communities. People from more than 1,100 sites participated.

**ACTION**

**ON LEGISLATION AND POLICY**

The Government of Alberta is committed to:

The *Statutes Amendment Act 2014* outlined changes to five pieces of legislation intended to clarify rights of individuals in same sex relationships

Working with legislators, school associations and boards to build support for Gay-Straight Alliances in Alberta schools

Giving transgender community ability to change their gender on government-issued identification

*Alberta's Social Policy Framework* recognizes the value of a safe, caring and inclusive province for all Albertans

*New Education Act* addresses the requirement that learning environments respect diversity and foster a sense of belonging



**ACTION**

**ON COLLABORATION**

Support and services for LGBTQ community to experience healthy relationships and safe environments:

- peer support
- mentoring
- mental health supports
- leadership development
- building resiliency

Raising the pride flag at the Alberta Legislature during the 2014 Winter Olympics



Share your thoughts on key issues facing the LGBTQ community in Alberta and support healthy relationships. Email your comments or suggestion to [bullyfree.alberta@gov.ab.ca](mailto:bullyfree.alberta@gov.ab.ca)