

The Power of Righteous Giving

The Rabbis teach us that in the days between Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur, *tzedakah* [financial giving in service of righteousness] carries a unique power that can overturn even a divine decree. As a white-led organization that strives to be anti-racist, SVARA is committed to making *teshuvah* for our own complicity in white supremacy. As one part of this ongoing process, and as part of our commitment to reparations, we have decided to make gifts to several organizations led by, and working for, People of Color. You can read more about these fabulous organizations below.

We hope that you will join us in contributing your *tzedakah* during this season to POC-led organizations working for Queer liberation and we're deeply grateful to be in this work with you all.

TransLatin@ Coalition

The [TransLatin@ Coalition](#) (TLC) was founded in 2009 by a group of Transgender and Gender nonconforming and Intersex (TGI) immigrant women in Los Angeles, California, as a grassroots response to address the specific needs of TGI Latin@ immigrants who live in the United States.

SisTers PGH

[SisTers PGH](#) is a transgender centered drop-in space, resource provider, and shelter transitioning program based in Pittsburgh, PA. SisTersPGH, Corp offers outreach, accurate transgender education, trans inclusion training, advocacy, and emergency housing/shelter for transgender people of Pittsburgh

Brave Space Alliance

[Brave Space Alliance](#) is a vehicle to empower and elevate queer and trans voices, particularly those belonging to people of color, to allow our communities a seat at the table on key decision making processes that impact the community of Chicago.

The Knights and Orchids Society

[The Knights and Orchids Society](#) (TKO) is a southern centered grassroots startup founded and led by Black, queer, transgender, and gender non-conforming people fighting at the intersections of racial and gender justice. Their mission is to improve the

quality of life within the LGBTQ+ community by creating safe spaces that empower, educate, and unite queer people of color in rural areas.

Ammud

[Ammud](#) provides Jewish education for Jews of Color (JOCs) by Jews of Color and exists to empower Jewish people of color who oftentimes find themselves alienated or sidelined by racism in majority-white Jewish institutions. Ammud allows Jewish people of color to access the Jewish education needed to be empowered members and leaders of the broader Jewish community, creating space to celebrate marginalized customs and traditions, uncover lost histories, and (re)build culture.