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PRIORITY FOCUS:

TAKING CARE OF OUR OWN

No one should age alone. But for LGBT people, it happens all the time. That's because older lesbians, gay men, bisexuals, and transgender adults are far less likely to have children to help them as they get older. Their friends and loved ones pass away or also need help.

For nearly forty years, SAGE has prioritized the needs of our most vulnerable LGBT elders and we continue to do so. In the coming years, SAGE will help many more by getting the LGBT community involved, working with key partners, and taking advantage of the possibilities offered by new technologies.



NATIONAL

In November 2016, SAGE launched the SAGE National LGBT Elder Hotline. Offered in partnership with the GLBT National Help Center, the Hotline is staffed by trained volunteers who are there to listen and help.

Need support? Call 1-888-234-SAGE. Want to volunteer? Visit sageusa.org/hotline.

Catalyze 500 LGBT and age-friendly communities.

PRIORITY FOCUS:

CREATING TIES ACROSS GENERATIONS



That is why SAGE will help LGBT people from all generations to connect, creating bonds that make our community stronger.

SAGE TABLE

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On one special day each year, SAGE and its partners will invite LGBT people to gather across generations as they break bread in homes, workplaces, community organizations and places of worship.

SAGE Table, produced in partnership with AARP, will launch in Los Angeles and New York State in 2017. Sign up to learn more at sageusa.org/sagetable.

SAGE envisions an equitable world in which LGBT older people thrive because they are valued and have boundless opportunities.

THE BUILDING BLOCKS

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PRIORITY FOCUS: LIVING FULLY



Aging offers its challenges but it can also provide new sources of growth and joy. From intellectual engagement to spiritual connection to recreation, to just kicking back with friends, the interests of LGBT older people are as diverse as the people themselves.

That's why SAGE will expand opportunities for older LGBT people to make the most of their lives through travel, volunteering, social gatherings and much more.

LGBT-FRIENDLY GLOBAL VOLUNTEERING OPPORTUNITIES

NEW

Through a new partnership with Global Volunteers, SAGE will offer trips specially organized for LGBT older people who want to work on community-led projects. Our 2017 calendar includes adventures to Cuba and Vietnam.

Teams will include LGBT people of all ages—yet another way that SAGE is promoting ties across generations.

Make a difference for 500,000 LGBT older people.

PRIORITY FOCUS:

PROMOTING LGBT AND AGE-FRIENDLY COMMUNITIES



It wouldn't take much to ensure that older adults felt more welcome in LGBT events and spaces. They might, for instance, be more likely to attend LGBT events if they had places to sit, if the music wasn't so loud and the print wasn't so small.

Over the next five years, SAGE will advocate for practices and partnerships that ensure that those who pioneered LGBT communities are always welcome in them.



CAMPAIGN FOR AGE-FRIENDLY PRIDE CELEBRATIONS

COMING SOON

Pride celebrations are a time for LGBT people to come together to celebrate our bonds, our diversity and our history—not to mention to have fun! In order to ensure that LGBT elders are welcome, SAGE will partner with CenterLink and the Center for Black Equity—the umbrella organizations for Black Prides nationwide—to create a "how to" guide for Pride celebrations to welcome and honor our elders.

REIMAGINE AGING...MOVE FORWARD WITH SAGE



NOTHING ABOUT US WITHOUT US

In order to achieve this ambitious vision, SAGE will need to greatly expand the number of LGBT people and our allies who support this work. Here are some of the ways that you can join SAGE in making this vision a reality.



DONATE

Do you want to invest in your future? Consider making a donation to SAGE. We offer many ways to contribute. From becoming a monthly donor to naming SAGE as a beneficiary in your estate planning, you can make a difference today for tomorrow's elders. Learn more at *sageusa.org/give*.



VOLUNTEER

Are you known for throwing great dinner parties? Are you a great listener? Do you love traveling and volunteering? Find out how your talents can make SAGE's vision a reality.

Sign up to learn more at

engagement@sageusa.org.



TALK BACK

SAGE will only be as successful as you make it. What are you excited about? What needs improvement?

We are stronger when we listen to each other, so talk back! Engage with us on Facebook or Twitter, or email us at engagement@sageusa.org. We can't wait to hear from you.