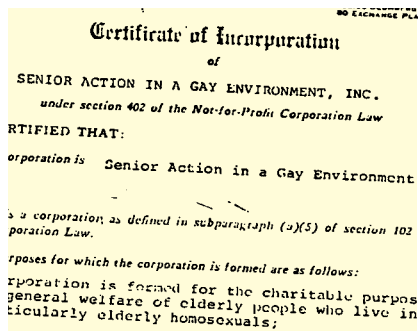


# SAGE Celebrates 40 Fierce Years

## 1978

First community meeting and  
Certificate of Incorporation



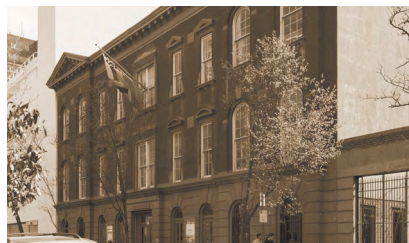
## 1979

Nation's first Friendly Visitor  
program matches volunteers  
from the community with LGBT  
older adults



## 1980

First Executive Director,  
Jim Flanagan



## 1981

Move to 208 West 13th  
St.—today the Lesbian, Gay,  
Bisexual & Transgender  
Community Center



## 1982

Ken Dawson becomes  
Executive  
Director,  
shifting  
SAGE's  
focus to  
activism  
and  
self-help



## 1983

SAGE  
receives  
Gerontologist Award for  
Achievement in Advocacy  
or Service and is declared a  
national prototype of supportive  
services for LGBT elders





## 1984

SAGE opens nation's first senior LGBT drop-in center



## 1988

75 volunteer friendly visitors organized to meet the needs of homebound elders amidst the AIDS crisis

## 1989

SAGE establishes the nation's first AIDS and the Elderly Program



### SAGE to establish local affiliates

Fourteen representatives from nine communities in the United States and Canada met in New York City, Sept. 17-20, for the first national conference on aging and the LGBT community (SAGE). Twin Cities participants O'Brien, administrative director of the Gay and Lesbian Action Council, John Y. Koffertin, a University of Minnesota professor, and Koffertin, a University of Minnesota professor, agreed to meet in September to discuss the possibility of establishing a SAGE affiliate in Minneapolis. Koffertin, a University of Minnesota professor, agreed to meet in September to discuss the possibility of establishing a SAGE affiliate in Minneapolis.



## 1992

SAGE national network of affiliates launches



## 1993

Older Lesbians Project launches



## 1995

SAGE opens its headquarters at 305 Seventh Avenue, NYC



## 1998

SAGE hosts the first National Conference on Aging in the LGBT Community for service providers, activists and researchers from across the country



## 2000

SAGE runs full-page ad about its services in the New York Times

## 2001 AARP®

SAGE and AARP collaborate for the first time

## 2003

SAGE's first long-term care curriculum developed for health care providers and nursing homes receives an award for excellence from University of Pennsylvania







## 2005

SAGE participates in 2005 White House Conference on Aging as the sole LGBT delegate

## 2006

Michael Adams becomes SAGE's eighth Executive Director



## 2008

SAGE launches award-winning marketing campaign—"SAGE Is"

Calamus Foundation awards \$1 million matching grant in honor of SAGE's 30th anniversary



The Calamus Foundation

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## 2009

SAGE Harlem opens in the historic Theresa Hotel, strengthening SAGE's responsiveness to communities of color

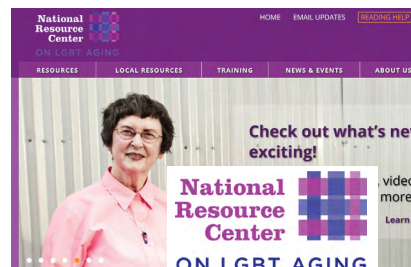


Leadership Council of Aging Organizations

SAGE joins the Leadership Council of Aging Organizations as only LGBT member

## 2010

SAGE is founding member of national Diverse Elders Coalition and helps organize Coalition's first Capitol Hill briefing



The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services awards SAGE the country's first grant to establish a National Resource Center on LGBT Aging

## 2010

SAGE opens its Washington, D.C. policy office



## 2011

SAGE adds first Board members from outside New York City—Washington, D.C., Chicago, Miami/Ft. Lauderdale and Los Angeles



## 2012

SAGE catalyzes national participation in the Obama Administration's first-ever White House LGBT Conference on Aging

With the National Center for Transgender Equality, SAGE releases a path-breaking report on transgender older adults





## 2012

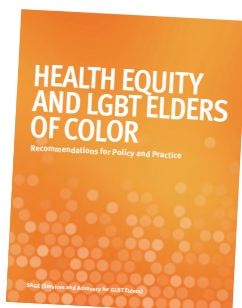
Grand opening of The SAGE Center in New York City, the country's first full-fledged publicly funded senior center for LGBT elders



## 2013

SAGE joins American Society on Aging and other ally organizations in filing a key amicus brief providing LGBT elder perspective on marriage equality in Edie Windsor's successful Supreme Court challenge to DOMA

SAGE releases the ground-breaking report on improving health and wellness for LGBT older people of color



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## 2014

SAGE receives funding from New York State Legislature to launch LGBT Elder Veterans Initiative

SAGE releases the first national market study on the experiences and perspectives of LGBT older adults



SAGE launches multi-year agency-wide diversity and equity initiative

## 2015

SAGE wins major policy victories at the 2015 White House Conference on Aging



## 2015

With support from the NYC Council, SAGE inaugurates new SAGE Centers in the Bronx, Brooklyn (with GRIOT Circle) and Staten Island (with Pride Center of Staten Island)



SAGE receives \$1 million from the Calamus Foundation to support its National LGBT Elder Housing Initiative





## 2016

SAGE launches SAGECare, a training and credential program for care providers committed to offering LGBT-inclusive services



SAGE announces New York City's first LGBT-welcoming elder housing—Ingersoll Senior Residences—with more than 225 apartments, wrap-around services and a SAGE Center



SAGE joins Diverse Elder Coalition to lead first-ever grassroots advocacy campaign for more LGBT-inclusive federal elder services



Citi awards SAGE \$250,000 to expand the National LGBT Elder Housing Initiative



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## 2017

3,500 people gather nationally for the first SAGE Table, launched to build ties across LGBT generations

THE NEXT SAGE TABLE IS NOVEMBER 8, 2018



SAGE launches aggressive national advocacy campaign—We Refuse To Be Invisible—and forces Trump Administration to abandon plans to erase LGB elders from evaluation of federal elders; SAGE follows up with a trans campaign



SAGE Center Midtown is renamed The Edie Windsor SAGE Center



SAGE and partners successfully advocate for first-ever public hearing of Inter-American Commission on Human Rights on LGBT elders

## 40 2018

Harry & Jeanette Weinberg Foundation awards SAGE \$1.7 million for Ingersoll Senior Residences, country's largest affordable LGBT elder housing



SAGE partners with International Federation on Aging (IFA) to present first-ever LGBT program track at global conference

