

# Trans Masculine Alliance Houston

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## Leadership Team

**George Zemanek, president**

**Nexus Arrant, vice president**

**Lee Mead, treasurer**

**Myles Steelman, social chair**

**Ben Zimmerman, member at large**

## Want to get involved?

We always need folks to help present or co-lead at meetings, as well as tell us what topics they'd like us to focus on. If you'd like to help out or want to share an idea, please contact one of the members of the leadership team.



## What we've been up to...

The second annual all-community clothing swap was a huge success. We received hundreds of donations and had a great turnout, with lots of folks getting new wardrobes. We were able to donate the excess (three carloads) to Transparent Closet in Katy. TMAH received over \$15,000 from Ivanna Cupcake, Empress XXXVII, which will be used for our top surgery fund. TMAH welcomed Lee and Ben to the board and we are working with the Montrose Center on transitioning to becoming an independent non-profit. Hey! If you have not already gotten a t-shirt, you can get one at any of our events and meetings. They are \$10 and come in white and blue.

## March Calendar

**March 2<sup>nd</sup> Regular Meeting:** 6:30-8:30 pm in Room 111 of the Montrose Center. Many of us have young people in our lives such as nieces, nephews, and children of our own. Join us in a lively discussion about how to discuss trans topics with children. This includes coming out to kids, how to respond to their questions, and how to visible to trans youth.

**March 15<sup>th</sup> Game Night and Crafts!** 6:30-8:30 pm Artisan Vapor and CBD (2620 South Shepherd Dr, Suite D, Houston, TX 77098)

Bring board games, snacks, and non-alcoholic drinks. Bring a friend/partner/sibling too! We will have a craft table set up for our crafty folks!

**.March 10, 2023 Houston Gaymers Drag Show** 7:00-10:00pm, Kiki Houston (2409 Grant St, Suite D, Houston, TX 77006). This is a charity drag show hosted by Empress XXXVII Ivanna Cupcake.

## **Name and Gender Marker Assistance**

Do you need help with updating your name and gender marker? The Trans Legal Aid Clinic holds events throughout the year where lawyers work with transgender clients to update and file documents with the state. This is a free service. Even with this amount of support, some of us struggle with the “hidden” costs of updating actual documents. A drivers license, birth certificate, passport can eat up money set aside for a monthly electric bill. Some banks and other businesses might charge a small fee to update accounts. These small fees add up. TMAH has a fund to help with these fees. We can reimburse you or pay the cost up front. Email us at [transmasculinehouston@gmail.com](mailto:transmasculinehouston@gmail.com) for more information on this program.

## **Jonathan Smith Fund**

Are you in need of emergency financial assistance? The Jonathan Smith Fund provides financial assistance to active members of the LGBTQ community in times of financial hardship. Apply at <https://jsef.ersicss.org/>

## **This Month's Spotlight**

Transparent Closet is a FREE clothing boutique designed for trans teens, youth, and young adults to have a safe place for clothing needs and beyond. When you come to the closet you will be welcomed into a space just for you. Here you will find all kinds of clothes, undergarments, shoes, hair accessories, style accessories, make-up and more. The closet is open Thursday 12-5, Friday 2-5, Saturday 12-3, and Sundays from 8am-10am. The closet is also available by appointment. If you are interested in coming outside of the listed hours, please call us at 281.492.2693. These private appointments are always available. Additionally, groups are invited to schedule time to come and shop together. <https://www.fcckaty.com/transparentcloset>  
22101 Morton Ranch Rd  
Katy, TX 77449



## **Employment**

The Montrose Center is hiring an anti-violence specialist. This is a great opportunity for anyone interested in working with the LGBTQ+ community. Job description and qualification can be found here:

<https://montrosecenter.bamboohr.com/careers/80>