

Take Action

Tell Congress to Pass the Equality Act

Keshet and partners are mobilizing Jewish communities in support of the Equality Act.

The Equality Act is proposed federal legislation that would establish non-discrimination protections for LGBTQ Americans. **Congress needs to hear from us that we want the Equality Act passed** and sent to President Biden who has promised to sign it.

1. Go to keshetonline.org/equalityact

2. Use the interactive tool on the page to:

- Quickly send an email and/or tweet a message to your senators. *(The tool will help you identify your legislators).*
- Request stamped postcard packs from Keshet that you can mail to your legislators in Congress

3. Ask your friends also to take action.

4. Spread the word on social media.

Use the hashtag **#EqualityAct** and tag Keshet:

Facebook: @KeshetGLBTJews

Instagram: @keshetlgbtjews

Twitter: @KeshetGLBTJews

Send a message to your legislators with one click!

Title * ▾

Full Name *

Address *

Zip * city and state not required

Phone *

Email *

Email Type ▾

Request postcard

Please send me a postcard package for my state!

I would like this many postcard packages

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First time contacting an elected official for LGBTQ rights

This is my first time contacting an elected official on behalf of LGBTQ rights and protections.

Email Updates

I do not want to receive emails about Keshet's work.

My name is [@advFirst] [@advLast], and I am a constituent who lives in [advCity].

For more information, please contact:
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Thank you!

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What is the Equality Act?

The Equality Act is a bill in the United States Congress. If passed, it would update the Civil Rights Act to prohibit discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation and gender identity in employment, housing, public accommodations, public education, federal funding, credit, and the jury system. Passage of the Equality Act would provide LGBTQ people nationwide with protection against discrimination.

Why is it important for Jewish communities to support the Equality Act?

Given the role of many faith communities in opposing LGBTQ rights, Congress needs to hear from Jews and other pro-equality people of faith that we support the passage of the Equality Act. It is critical that we speak out – not despite our religious tradition, but because of our ethical mandate to fight for human dignity and justice.

Why is the Equality Act not already a law?

The bill passed the United States House of Representatives in 2019, but the then Republican-controlled Senate did not vote on it. In February 2021, the House passed the bill and it has now gone to the Senate where the Democrats currently have a slim majority (thanks to the tie-breaking vote of the Vice President). However, a filibuster proof majority of Senators – 60 – must vote to approve the legislation.

How can we help?

Contact your U.S. senators and urge them to bring the Equality Act up for a vote in the Senate. President Biden has pledged to sign the Equality Act after it is passed by Congress – which his administration encourages legislators to quickly do. Public support for LGBTQ equality is clear: 83% of Americans across the political spectrum favor laws that would protect LGBTQ people against discrimination (American Values Survey, 2020).

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