

BREAKING NEWS



National Advocacy
for Local LGBTQH Communities

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NCAVP alarmed by shooting of lesbian couple in a Portland, Texas Park

The National Coalition of Anti-Violence Programs ([NCAVP](#)) has learned of the shooting of a lesbian couple in a park in Portland, Texas, a small community outside of Corpus Christi. Mollie Judith Olgin, 19, and Mary Christine Chapa, 18, were both shot in the head, and Olgin has died from her injury. According to local police, they are looking into the possibility of a bias or hate motivation in this brutal, fatal attack.

NCAVP continues to investigate whether there is a connection between hate violence or bias and this violence. We are working with our NCAVP member organizations in Texas, as well as other Texas-based LGBTQ organizations, to find out additional information and to offer our assistance with their efforts to support the community during this critical time. NCAVP encourages anyone who has experienced violence to contact a local anti-violence program for support and to document this violence. For help locating an anti-violence program in your area, please [contact us](#) or visit www.ncavp.org.

Join NCAVP in our efforts to prevent and respond to LGBTQH violence. To learn more about our national advocacy, receive technical assistance or support, [contact us](#).

If you are a member of the media and wish to speak with an NCAVP representative, please contact Sue Yacka at (212)714-1184.

NCAVP works to prevent, respond to, and end all forms of violence against and within lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer and HIV-affected (LGBTQH) communities. NCAVP is a national coalition of local member programs and affiliate organizations who create systemic and social change. NCAVP is a program of the [New York City Anti-Violence Project](#).

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