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NCAVP learns of the murder of a gender non-conforming person in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; Eleven known transgender or gender non-conforming people murdered in the United States so far this year

Today, the National Coalition of Anti-Violence Programs (NCAVP) learned of the [fatal shooting](#) of an unidentified gender non-conforming (GNC) person in the Frankford section of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. NCAVP is working with [Equality Philadelphia](#) to determine if there was an anti-LGBTQH motive in this shooting.

Including this incident NCAVP has learned of **eleven murders of transgender or gender non-conforming (TGNC) people so far this year**. These murder victims include [Deoni Jones](#) in Washington, DC, [Rosita](#) (last name unknown) in Miami, Florida, an [unidentified woman](#) in Riviera Beach, Florida, [Coko Williams](#) in Detroit, Michigan, [Paige Clay](#) in Chicago, Illinois, [Brandy Martell](#) in Oakland, California, [Desean Bowman](#) in Baltimore, Maryland, [Donta Tiffany Godden](#) in Chicago, Illinois, [Tracy Johnson](#) in Baltimore, Maryland, and [Kendall Hampton](#) in Cincinnati, Ohio. NCAVP is concerned by the continuing trend of disproportionate violence and murder against transgender and gender non-conforming people of color.

NCAVP's most recent [report](#), *Hate Violence Against Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer and HIV-Affected Communities in the United States in 2011*, documented 30 anti-LGBTQH murders, the highest yearly total ever recorded by the coalition. This is an 11% increase from the 27 people murdered in 2010. Transgender women made up 40% of the 30 reported hate murders in 2011, while representing only 10% of total hate violence survivors and victims. Of the 30 reported hate murder victims in 2011, 87% were LGBTQH people of color. In this report, NCAVP provides specific recommendations for policymakers, funders, and community members to reduce and prevent violence against transgender people of color.

If you are a member of the media and wish to speak with an NCAVP representative about these incidents, please contact: Sue Yacka at 212.714.1184 or syacka@avp.org.

NCAVP is committed to ensuring that violence affecting transgender and gender non-conforming people is accurately and respectfully identified through training and technical assistance, advocacy to increase data collection on LGBTQ violence, and documenting this violence annually in our national reports. 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 at info@ncavp.org 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 at info@ncavp.org.

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, affiliate organizations and individuals who create systemic and social change. We strive to increase power, safety and resources through data analysis, policy advocacy, education and technical assistance. NCAVP is a program of the New York City Anti-Violence Project.