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Tag #marinPRIDE to share all the Pride flags you see flying in Marin!

## Displaying this flag is an easy way to support Marin's LGBTQ+ youth!

Happy Pride Month! This year it's more important than ever to show our support of our local LGBTQ youth. When you fly a Pride flag during the month of June, you help signal to our LGBTQ+ community members (especially those not yet out) that we support them. Please join us! Post this in the window of your car, home or business.

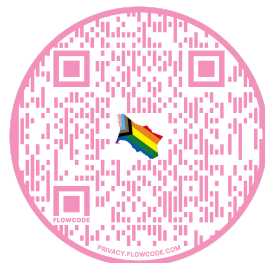
Flying a Pride flag helps to raise public visibility for the LGBTQ+ community and helps young people feel that their identity is accepted. This is especially important in Marin as nearly 1 in 6 youth will likely identify as LGBTQ+ before they finish high school. It's likely you know a young person who is not yet out to you, and looking for a signal that it's safe to do so. While Marin is generally accepting, we are not visible in our support, and there is much to improve.

The isolation caused by COVID-19 has hit LGBTQ+ youth especially hard, and their struggle is largely invisible. Since the start of the pandemic, 70% of LGBTQ youth said their mental health was "poor" most of the time or always, and 42% have seriously considered suicide. If this applies to you, please reach out to the Trevor Lifeline at 866-488-7386.

If you're among the Marin youth this flag welcomes, find more great resources at [www.spahrcenter.org](http://www.spahrcenter.org) and [www.trevorproject.org](http://www.trevorproject.org).

## About the Marin Flag Project

The Marin Flag Project was started after Pride flags were torn down off the Sir Francis Drake Blvd overpass FIVE TIMES in June 2020. Our goal is to increase the number of Pride flags displayed in Marin to show our support for LGBTQ+ youth. We reach out to businesses, organizations, schools and households to fly flags or put up flyers in their windows during Pride Month. Help us show our LGBTQ+ youth that Marin is welcoming! Use #marinPRIDE on social media to show your flag or flyer and to celebrate any you see around town!



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