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# CASA, INC. NEWSLETTER



Local resource:

[hagerstownhopesmd.org](http://hagerstownhopesmd.org)

## JUNE IS PRIDE MONTH

- 48.3% of lesbian women & 61.1% of bisexual women have experienced rape, physical violence, and stalking by an intimate partner at some point in their lifetime, compared to 35% of heterosexual women.
- Nearly half of all bisexual men and 4 in 10 gay men have experienced some form of sexual violence other than rape in their lifetime.
- Many LGBTQ+ survivors do not report due to fear of bias and lack of resources.

[https://mcasa.org/assets/files/Sexual\\_Violence\\_Against\\_LGB\\_Communities\\_Fact\\_Sheet\\_2022.03.pdf](https://mcasa.org/assets/files/Sexual_Violence_Against_LGB_Communities_Fact_Sheet_2022.03.pdf)

## LEGISLATION SPOTLIGHT

- On May 16, 2023, Governor Moore signed HB4/SB129, the bill to repeal marriage as a defense to sex crimes.
- This month, CASA staff will head to D.C. to attend MCASA's Advocacy Days. Advocates will meet with congressional staffers to advocate for laws that benefit survivors.



## CALL TO ACTION

### Hagerstown, Maryland Elected Officials:

Governor - Wes Moore

Lt. Governor - Aruna Miller

Attorney General - Anthony G. Brownman

Comptroller - Brooke Elizabeth Lierman

State Senator: District 2B-

Paul D. Corderman

State Delegate(s): District 2B-

Brooke Grossman

Visit <http://mdelect.net/> to find your elected officials.

## WHAT'S HAPPENING AT CASA

June 5th - CASA, Inc's 17th Annual Golf Tournament "Run, Jane, Run"  
CASA, Inc Wishlist Top Items-

- Donate a Safe Night hotel stay for a survivor by contacting CASA at 301-739-4990 or downloading the SafeNight app and choosing CASA as your shelter.

Visit our website at [casainc.org](http://casainc.org) to see more events and a full Wishlist

