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CHILDREN'S  
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# **Supporting LGBTQIA+ people**

## **Learning from Empowering Young People Grant Holders**



**HERe NI**  
**Here Together Group**



# Here Together Project



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**Works with children and young people and their LGBTQIA+ parents/carers in Belfast and Derry.**

## **Aims:**

- ✓ **to build confidence in the young people's view of their family type**
- ✓ **to mix with families that are like their own**
- ✓ **have confidence to be proud of their family**
- ✓ **be able to talk about them without fear of bullying.**

**Training and support for other organisations who work with children and young people to help them to effectively include young people from LGBTQIA+ families.**

# Learning

- **The value of collaborative working with other organisations, e.g. The MAC, TCV, Beat Carnival.**
- **The importance of young person-led planning.**
- **To build on the resilience of the young people.**

# Impact

**Worked with over 60 families in Belfast and Derry  
providing:**

- ✓ **Workshops**
- ✓ **Outings**
- ✓ **Craft sessions**
- ✓ **Cookery**

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# Impact

I like to come and see my friends in the group because they have two mums like me. None of my other friends have two mums.

I can be myself with the group, I know they are the same as me. We get to learn about all types of families.

We get to plan what we want to do. I love it when we do crafts together



# Stories





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# Thank you!

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