## Sexuality - Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual & Queer Issues

(Please see The Greens (WA) companion policy <u>Gender Identity</u> for transgender issues)

*The Greens (WA) believe that:* 

- freedom of sexuality is a fundamental human right
- acceptance and celebration of people of diverse sexuality, e.g. lesbian, gay, bisexual and queer, are essential for genuine social justice and equality

## Aims

The Greens (WA) want:

- the repeal of all federal and state laws that are discriminatory on the grounds of sexuality
- marriage equality regardless of sexuality
- access to the full range of medical and health services required by people with needs related to their sexuality (see also The Greens (WA) <u>Health</u> policy)

## Measures

*The Greens (WA) promote and support government and community actions that:* 

- educate for understanding and acceptance and provide, within the education system, age-appropriate information about the diversity of sexuality (see also The Greens (WA) Education policy)
- provide accurate information, appropriate referrals and counselling for individuals, parents and carers of young people, in relation to Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Oueer issues
- provide community awareness programs that lead to a greater understanding of sexual diversity
- provide adequate funding for services to support and protect people of diverse sexuality, in particular suicide prevention, peer support, coming out, counselling, health and housing programs (see also The Greens (WA) <u>Health</u> and <u>Housing</u> policies)
- make refuges safe for people of diverse sexuality
- improve and broaden the police and prison services' knowledge of, and sensitivity towards, diverse sexuality issues and further develop liaison between these services and diverse sexuality communities (see also The Greens (WA) Justice policy)
- ensure that governments and their agencies consult with communities and representative groups of diverse sexualities on the development of policies and programs that affect them

(See also the Australian Greens Sex, Sexuality and Gender Identity policy)

Sexuality - Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual & Queer Issues policy ratified by The Greens (WA) in 2017