

# Trans Women Murdered at Shockingly High Rates

## What does it mean to be trans?

Transgender people are people whose gender identity is different from the gender they were assigned at birth.

Transgender women are women.

## Murder of Trans Women

2021 saw the highest rates of murder of transgender individuals (HRC, 2021)

- 375 reported murders in 2021 (Forbes, 2021)
- True rate likely higher due to misreporting of gender and dead naming
- 96% of victims are trans women
- Majority of victims are Black or Latinx

## Intersectionality of Violence

Trans women experience disproportionate victimization (GLAAD, 2021)

- Higher rates of poverty, homelessness, DV, assault, suicide, and murder
- High levels of discrimination in the workplace, school, and healthcare fields
- Increased for Black and Latinx trans women

## A Hate Crime

These murders are rooted in homophobia, transphobia, and white supremacy (Lee & Kwan, 2014).

An extreme societal shift is needed to prevent these murders.