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**Ruth Ellis Center**

Founded in 1999, Ruth Ellis Center (REC) has established a national reputation for quality and innovation in providing trauma-informed services for lesbian, gay, bi-attractional, transgender and questioning (LGBTQ+) youth, and young adults, with an emphasis on young people of color, experiencing homelessness, involved in the child welfare system, and/or experiencing barriers to health and wellbeing.

The center provides a growing number of services and programs, that support the LGBTQ+ youth and young adult community; from outreach and safety-net services, to skill-building workshops and HIV prevention programs.
**APPLY** for the 2022 MFF Founders Retreat

Due to request, we will re-open the Founders Retreat application today through this Friday, June 9 only. If you are interested in being part of the 2022 cohort - [click here](#) to learn more about the program, eligibility and to apply. **Deadline: June 9**

**June 9:** MFF Happy Hour with Cahoots - Join us at cahoots for food, drinks, and conversation with founders, VCs, and startup leaders in the Ann Arbor region. [Learn more and RSVP here](#)

**June 15:** MFF Founder Roundtable about Early Funding with David Corcoran, Co-founder of Censys. This virtual session will focus on taking (or not taking) startup investment, including the challenges, opportunities, and decision points to should consider. [RSVP here](#)

**June 16 - Juneteenth:** The first Techni/Color/ Conference takes place in Grand Rapids celebrating diversity in Midwest technology

**June 21:** [A2NewTech Monthly Pitch Night](#)
Black and Latinx entrepreneurs - [Apply for up to $1M](#) through the Black Ambition Prize

[Nominate a notable LGBTQ leader in business.](#) **Applications due July 15**

[PRIDE events](#) happening throughout the state all month long!

[Lansing Juneteenth Celebration](#) June 16 - 18 (parade on 18th)

[Ypsilanti Juneteenth Celebration](#) with events June 17 - 18

[Juneteenth Jubilee Weekend](#) in-person/virtual at The Wright Museum

New [National Hotline for Mental Health (988)](#) launches July 16th

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