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El Concilio

(269) 385-6279 | 930 Lake Suite A, Kalamazoo, MI 49001
https://elconciliokzoo.org/services/

- El Concilio is a non-profit, community-focused organization that seeks to help Latinx residents support their families, contribute to society and appreciate their cultural significance in the region.
- **The Resource Center** services are available to all in need of help. Through these services, they provide assistance to those with language, cultural and/or legal barriers and require additional education and advocacy for various issues. This is free.

Equality Michigan

(313) 573-7000 | https://equalitymi.org/
Contact: Margaret Avery (517) 929-3238 | mavery@equalitymi.org

- LGBTQ+ political advocacy organization. Formerly the Triangle Foundation, EQMI has been Michigan's premier LGBTQ+ anti-violence and political advocacy organization for over 25 years and counting.
- Connects victims of individual incidents of bias, discrimination, harassment, and violence, including intimate partner violence, to the support, referral, and navigational services they need to achieve justice.

Michigan Immigrant Rights Center

(269) 492-7196 | 350 E Michigan Ave, Suite 315, Kalamazoo, MI 49007

https://michiganimmigrant.org/

- Legal resource center for Michigan's immigrant communities. Guides, resources, and connections to services are available.

NAACP Metropolitan Kalamazoo Branch

(269) 343-4105 | 1000 West Paterson St, Kalamazoo, MI 49007

https://www.naacpkalamazoo.org/

- Their mission is to achieve equity, political rights, and social inclusion by advancing policies and practices that expand human and civil rights, eliminate discrimination, and accelerate the well-being, education, and economic security of Black people and all persons of color.
- File complaints about racial discrimination here.

State and National Resources

ACLU of Michigan
2966 Woodward Ave, Detroit, MI 48201
https://www.aclumich.org/

- The ACLU (American Civil Liberties Union) is an organization that works to protect the basic rights of every person in the United States.
- File legal complaints here.