

THE HEALTH COLLECTIVE'S
23RD ANNUAL

one big event[®]

Dear Friend,

Mark your calendars! Our black-tie gala, **One Big Event**, returns for our 23rd year on Saturday, **November 8th, 2025**. On behalf of our board and staff, we hope you will join in celebrating our collective achievements while building community with Connecticut's finest champions and advocates.

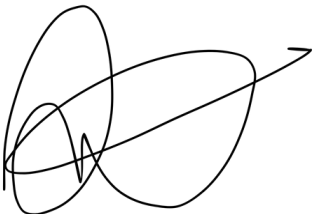
Since 1983, the Health Collective has been a leader in LGBTQIA+ health and wellness. Thousands of people benefit from the work we do every year. Whether through the implementation of our mobile health unit, our over-the-counter pharmaceutical vending machines, or the opening of our new gender-affirming aesthetics site in Cromwell, the Health Collective continues to expand and innovate to ensure everyone in our community receives compassionate, quality healthcare.

We achieve our mission in four major ways:

- **Medical Services** - We provide vaccinations, STI/HIV testing and treatment, sexual health education, PrEP referrals, and other wellness services such as cancer screenings, hormone therapy, laser hair removal, Botox and fillers, and weight management interventions.
- **Dental Services** - We offer routine oral healthcare including cleanings, oral cancer screenings, x-rays, and a robust menu of restorative services including implants, dentures, and crowns.
- **Youth Initiatives** - We host one of the nation's oldest Queer Proms dating back to 1994. This year we were also proud to relaunch the True Colors Conference as a core Health Collective program. This event brings together thousands of youth and their allies in a weekend of learning and recognition of the queer experience. We also host peer-led groups and social events for LGBTQIA+ young adults.
- **Support Services** - Our Manchester location, affectionately known as HCE (Health Collective East), is the home of our food pantry and breakfast, lunch, and dinner program. Through our partnerships with Advancing Connecticut Together and the Lavender Policy Center, HCE also hosts our psychosocial support groups for people living with HIV/AIDS and Seniors.

It's easy to feel excited about the progress we're making towards our mission, but none of it would be possible without the partnership of **SPONSORS** like **YOU!** In uncertain times, one truth remains unchanged: we are all in this together. By joining us at **One Big Event**, you become **One Big Reason** we are able to continue to serve our communities.

Sincerely,



ANTHONY A. DiLIZIA
Executive Director

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