LGBTQ+ BROOKLYN FUNDING BY THE NUMBERS

The 2020 census underscored Brooklyn’s rapid growth and continued boon as one of New York City’s most diverse communities. According to the most recent census data, Brooklyn outpaced the city’s other four boroughs in population growth, adding over 230,000 new residents over the past decade.

LGBTQ+ population data remains sparse, but with an estimated 5.8% of New Yorkers identifying as non-heterosexual, Brooklyn could be home to as much as one-third of the city’s LGBTQ+ population.

Despite being New York’s most populous and fastest growing borough, Brooklyn-based LGBTQ+ nonprofits receive disproportionately less funding in comparison to their Manhattan-based counterparts. A Foundation Center study* found that only 5% of philanthropic dollars generated in New York City are in support of Brooklyn-based nonprofits.

With an estimated 150,000 LGBTQ+ Brooklynites living throughout the borough, there is a need for more targeted funding to this growing community.

Increased funding for Brooklyn’s LGBTQ+ community is necessary for Brooklyn Community Pride Center to increase its impact in the community, reach new constituencies throughout the borough, and deepen meaningful partnerships across the city.