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Our work will continue until we achieve equal marriage for LGBT couples.

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What is Marriage Equality & what do we do?

Marriage Equality is a not for profit national advocacy organisation whose goal is to achieve equality for lesbian, gay, bisexual & transgender (LGBT) people in Ireland through the extension of civil marriage rights to same-sex couples.

Our vision is of a fairer more inclusive Ireland in which same sex couples, their families & their children enjoy equality. To realise this vision our mission is to achieve equal access to civil marriage for lesbian & gay couples in Ireland.

What we do

- educate the general public, the legal community, opinion makers & legislators about the need for equal rights for same sex couples
- mobilise support for legislation that will enable same sex couples to marry & establish legal recognition of children in LGBT families
- Increase visibility of lesbian & gay couples, families & our children to humanise the debate

Where are we now

Although civil partnership was introduced in 2011 in Ireland & marked an important step in relationship recognition for lesbian, gay, bisexual & transgender people, it is not the same

as marriage & therefore lesbian & gay couples, their families & their children are not treated equally by Irish law. This difference matters on many levels: in society, in law and in day to day existence.

Not allowing same sex couples marry reinforces the harmful idea that there is something wrong with lesbian & gay people & that they therefore should be treated separately to the rest of the population. It stigmatises same sex families as less deserving of recognition & protection than other families.

In April 2014 the Constitutional Convention made up of ordinary private citizens and elected representatives voted by 79% to recommend to Government to introduce marriage equality for lesbian & gay couples. The Government listened & promised to hold a referendum on the issue in 2015.

Why we need your help

To date Marriage Equality has been funded by community fundraising and by philanthropic organisations such as Atlantic Philanthropies & The Community Foundation for Ireland. However The Atlantic Philanthropies who supported us with core funding is winding down and so they have no more funding for the marriage equality campaign. We need funding to continue the vital work we do to make sure the referendum goes ahead as planned next Summer & to get marriage equality for lesbian & gay couples across the line.

Invest in Marriage Equality today

Thank you for investing in Marriage Equality. Your financial assistance means that we can make a difference by continuing our work to make civil marriage rights for LGBT people in Ireland a reality.

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