



# CHARITY WATCHLIST

## Broadway Cares/Equity Fights AIDS



### ABORTION

- In response to the overturning of Roe v. Wade in 2022, Broadway Cares/Equity Fights AIDS announces [a pledge of \\$300,000 in grants](#) to NARAL Pro-Choice America and Planned Parenthood:

*'Broadway Cares/Equity Fights AIDS announced \$300,000 in special grants for Planned Parenthood Federation of America and NARAL Pro-Choice America to help ensure access to critical reproductive health care after the U.S. Supreme Court's decision to overturn Roe v. Wade.*

*Broadway Cares is sending these grants on behalf of the Broadway and theater community to the two organizations, which are working tirelessly to provide immediate on-the-ground support for those directly impacted by the court decision.*

*Planned Parenthood ensures that all people have access to the care and resources they need to make informed decisions about their bodies, their lives and their futures. It delivers vital sexual and reproductive health care, sex education and information to millions of people.*

*NARAL Pro-Choice America and its 2.5 million members organize and mobilize in order to protect reproductive freedom, fighting for access to abortion care, birth control, paid parental leave and protections from pregnancy discrimination.*

- Broadway Cares/Equity Fights AIDS also posted [its full statement](#) on its Instagram account:

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#### Mission

Provide grants to AIDS service organizations and promote awareness of HIV/AIDS

#### Focus

HIV/AIDS



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We are no stranger to showing support where stigma and shame are the predominant response. This time is no different. Within our grief and anger is a reminder that what we do as a community is imperative. By leaning on each other, we can forge a new path toward reproductive rights for all. Our work will continue.

Since our earliest days, Broadway Cares has been committed to ensuring women's access to health care and medical services. Over the years our mission has expanded to support organizations providing on-the-ground, essential reproductive health services to people of all genders across the nation. At this very moment, so many are turning to those organizations for the much-needed services that our health care infrastructure doesn't provide.

We must heed this call to action and prove - in the strongest words and by decisive action in the streets and at the voting booth - that what we do together makes a difference.

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## LGBTQ+

- Broadway Cares/Equity Fights AIDS celebrates LGBTQ+ lifestyles and has [an annual event](#) to raise money for NYC's LGBT Community Center:

*"Broadway Backwards is our annual celebration of LGBTQ+ stories told through the great songs of musical theater. Broadway Backwards began as a grassroots concert performed at New York City's LGBT Community Center in 2006. The event quickly grew and now is performed annually in a Broadway theater. Since 2010, the evening has been produced by Broadway Cares/Equity Fights AIDS and benefits Broadway Cares and the Center."*

- From its [2023 'Broadway Backwards' event](#):

*"The energy of a supportive and loving community filled Broadway's New Amsterdam Theatre on March 13, 2023, as distinguished and emerging stars from the worlds of stage and screen came together **in celebration of LGBTQ+ stories and musical theater** at Broadway Backwards.*

*The show raised a record \$765,069 to benefit Broadway Cares/Equity Fights AIDS and The Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual & Transgender Community Center in New York City. The one-night-only, annual event is produced by Broadway Cares.*

*The evening is the only annual show on Broadway **celebrating the LGBTQ+ community**. This year's Broadway Backwards was packed with beloved musical theater numbers stretching from Broadway's Golden Age to more recent fan favorites, all reinvisioned [sic] as songs of love and affirmation through an LGBTQ+ lens."*

## NOTEWORTHY

- Broadway Cares/Equity Fights AIDS [grants tends of thousands of dollars](#) to hundreds of liberal progressive groups, including [Advocates for Youth](#), [Gays Against Guns](#), and [Transgender Legal Defense & Education Fund](#).



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