

Costa Rica's
violence
against trans,
nonbinary
and gender
diverse
people.

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Introduction

This document is a compilation of news, articles, interviews and reports concerning violence against trans, nonbinary and gender diverse people specifically in Costa Rica. It is maintained by a transperson who left the country looking for a life with dignity for them and their family.

There's the widespread idea that Costa Rica is a welcoming country in terms of trans rights, but real life is far from that. Having to deal with the local culture of machismo, strict gender roles and religion; struggling to access jobs and education and failing to get the respect we deserve is daily life for hundreds of trans people in the country.

Our objective is to make that very clear and keep the memory alive. From systemic violence in the health system, to direct attacks in public spaces, let it be known how the country fails our population.

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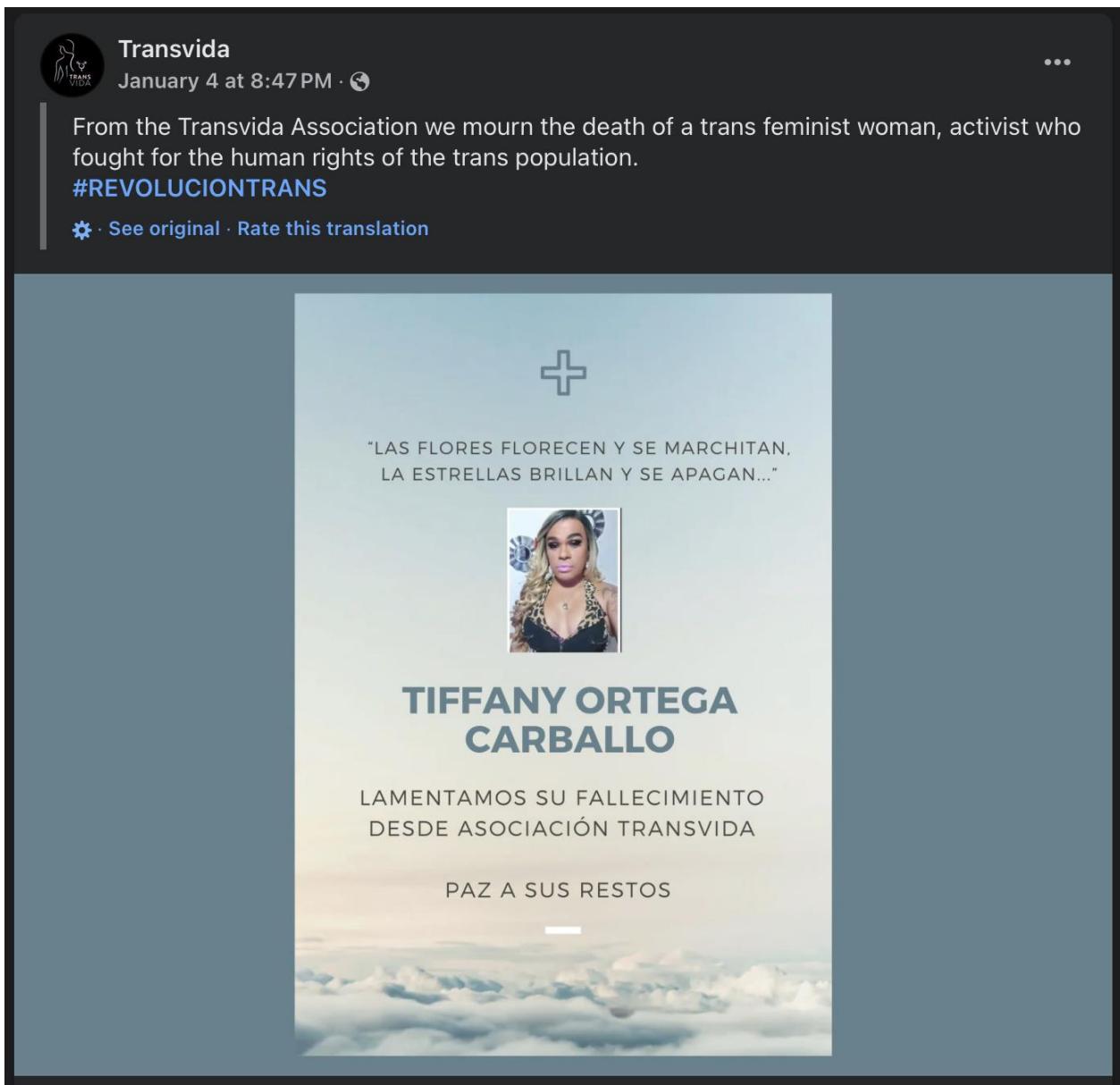
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2025 January 6



Tiffany Ortega Carballo dies, age 42.

Activist for trans population human rights.

No news coverage.

Link in Spanish:

- https://www.facebook.com/story.php?story_fbid=1033538565466816&id=100064320476993&r_id=V4gRa59W1Tx2GrPv

News article from 2016 where she talks about her experience being a sex worker:

- <https://www.nacion.com/sucesos/crimenes/que-sienten-al-danarnos-satisfaccion-en-se-rio/WSKR2FA2QVH7HE33I5ABSY3LRU/story/>

2024 October 27

Sucesos

Salvaje muerte de persona aparentemente transgénero crea mucha indignación

Las autoridades atendieron el homicidio la madrugada de este domingo en Cartago

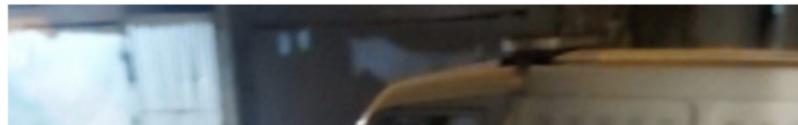
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Por Alejandra Morales

27 de octubre 2024, 10:32 a. m.

De múltiples puñaladas le quitaron la vida a una persona, aparentemente transgénero, la madrugada de este domingo en barrio Fecosa en El Carmen de Cartago.

Las autoridades judiciales recibieron la alerta a la 1 a.m. no obstante la Cruz Roja recibió el llamado de atención desde las 12:30 a.m.



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Murder of Laisa Camacho, age 56.

Laisa died after being stabbed multiple times early on the morning of Sunday 27th October. The identity of her killer(s) and motive for the attack are not known.

Link in English:

- [### **News coverage in Spanish:**](https://tdor.translivesmatter.info/reports/2024/10/27/laisa-camacho_el-carmen-de-car>tago-costa-rica_531eb9c8</div><div data-bbox=)

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2024 July 1



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Dayana Hernández González

Age 40 (born 15 Jul 1983)

1 Jul 2024
San José (Costa Rica)
Cosmetic filler complications



Dayana Hernandez dies, age 40.

Dayana Hernandez, one of Costa Rica's most important trans-rights activists, dies at age 40.

Dayana died from long-term complications caused by biopolymer injections. She was an activist, and the first trans woman to stand as a deputy to the Legislative Assembly in 2018.

Lacking support for gender affirming care in Costa Rica's health system, trans people look for alternatives that are, most of the time, unsafe. They fall victim to systemic violence.

Link in English:

- https://tdor.translivesmatter.info/reports/2024/07/01/dayana-hernandez-gonzalez_sanjose-costa-rica_c40eba36

Link in Spanish:

- <https://delfino.cr/2024/07/fallecio-dayana-hernandez-activista-y-primer-mujer-trans-en-ser-candidata-a-diputada-en-costa-rica>

2024 June 30

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Costa Rica's President Fires Officials Over LGBT Pride March Support

By AFP June 30, 2024 



The Tico Times

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Costa Rica's President Fires Officials Over LGBT Pride March Support.

In June 2024, the government of Costa Rica fired two officials after they signed a declaration of cultural interest for the country's LGBT Pride March. The government claimed the march did not have the necessary permits, but the event organizers denied it. The Pride March organizers called the government's actions an illegal act and a populist move.

Link in English:

- <https://ticotimes.net/2024/06/30/costa-ricas-president-fires-officials-over-lgbt-pride-march-support#:~:text=The%20decision%20was%20made%20because,government%20said%20in%20a%20statement.>

Links in Spanish:

- <https://www.swissinfo.ch/spa/presidente-de-costa-rica-destituye-a-ministra-por-apoyar-marcha-lgbt/82232728>
- <https://www.elpais.cr/2024/06/29/chaves-destituye-a-ministra-de-cultura-antes-de-marcha-lgtbi/>

2024 May 17

Government doesn't commemorate IDAHOBIT.

Government doesn't commemorate day against homophobia, lesbophobia and transphobia for the third year in a row.

2023 December 31



Mar Fournier Pereira

about a year ago



Descansá en poder, Gata querida. Maestra y amiga, contadora de historias, transguerrera incansable, abuela de nuestras generaciones trans que hoy invaden las aulas, los barrios, las oficinas.

Un femicida te robó los sueños, los planes y la vida. Pero no nos robarán la historia y las ganas rabiosas de vivir y re-existir abrazadxs por tu memoria.

#NiUnaMenos

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Murder of Juliana Elizondo.

Trans woman and activist Juliana “Gata” Elizondo was murdered. No news coverage.

Links in Spanish:

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- https://www.instagram.com/mujeresalertacr/p/C1ipyHmNwmU/?img_index=1

2023 September 9

The screenshot shows the homepage of SEMANARIO UNIVERSIDAD. The top navigation bar includes links for País, Universitarias, Mundo, Cultura, Deportes, Opinión, Ideas&Debates, Suplementos, Publicidad, Nosotros, and Puntos de Venta. A red 'SUSCRIBIRSE' button is also present. The main content area features a large image of two women, one crying and one shouting, with a caption about Mar Fournier being dragged by police despite being unable to breathe. Below this is a news article titled 'Activistas de protesta contraatacan y ahora son ellos los que denuncian violencia policial' by Daniela Muñoz Solano, dated September 13, 2023. The article discusses activists being attacked by police. Social sharing icons for Facebook, YouTube, Instagram, and X are visible at the bottom of the article.

Activistas de protesta contraatacan y ahora son ellos los que denuncian violencia policial

Por Daniela Muñoz Solano | danielavms@gmail.com
13 septiembre, 2023

Activistas y fotoperiodistas aseguran que fueron víctimas de empujones, golpes, insultos y otros abusos por parte de la Fuerza Pública.

Police abuse activists at demonstration

Trans rights activists physically attacked by police in Costa Rica while at a public demonstration.

Links in Spanish:

- <https://semanariouniversidad.com/pais/activistas-de-protesta-contraatacan-y-ahora-son-ellos-los-que-denuncian-violencia-policial/>
- https://www.facebook.com/plugins/post.php?href=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.facebook.com%2Fsol.fp%2Fposts%2Fpfid0MST4wDibp7ZxuuJr6skH3t6jv9WKpdfCz222S1LyKi4ehZuSUzAuLXdXohjiBjWsl&show_text=true&width=500

- <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeRqm6ZsTAQ5WFZX1OJfvI1U6DxxNEDOiBX4yyzMhLxZ-xWaw/viewform?pli=1>

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Rodrigo Chaves advierte que vetará ley trans si es aprobada por el Congreso



President declares he will veto trans rights law.

Law proposal 23.809, colloquially called “trans rights law” proposed by one minority political party. Its goal is to recognize the identity, rights to education, family, health services, and work for trans, nonbinary, intersex and gender-diverse people, both adults and minors.

Costa Rica’s president declared that if the law gets to his desk, he will veto it. With comments such as “a 6-year-old wakes up saying I feel like a fish, I identify as a fish put scales on me and cut

me up, those are very weird things" and "analysts say it foments pedophilia, I will not sign that law. There is no discussion about that."

News articles in Spanish:

- <https://elmundo.cr/costa-rica/rodrigo-chaves-advierte-que-vetara-ley-trans-si-es-ap-robada-por-el-congreso/>

Video in Spanish:

- <https://www1.cbn.com/mundocristiano/latinoamerica/2023/july/ldquo-no-voy-a-firmar-una-ley-que-atente-contra-nuestra-ninez-rdquo-el-presidente-de-costa-rica-muestra-su-rechazo-a-ley-trans>

2023 June 28



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11:09 am - Clasificar a las semifinales: El objetivo de Luis Marín en Sporting

11:03 am - Apelarán resolución de jueces que dejan sin medidas cautelares a directora de

Legislators talking against trans rights law.

"We won't let it go even one step forward."

News article in Spanish with video:

- <https://www.crhoy.com/nacionales/videos-lenan-de-criticas-proyecto-que-permite-a-ninos-de-12-anos-cambiar-su-genero/>

2023 May 17

Government doesn't commemorate IDAHOBIT.

Government doesn't commemorate day against homophobia, lesbophobia and transphobia for the second year in a row.

2023 March 9

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Reglas de paridad absoluta no toman en cuenta diversidad femenina, según grupos transgénero

Candidatos trans para elecciones municipales serán ubicados por sexo al nacer y no género autopercibido

Género fluido, intersex y "queers" generan un vacío legal que corresponde a diputados solventar, según TSE

Esteban Arrieta carrieta@larepublica.net | Jueves 09 marzo, 2023



ÚLTIMA HORA

10:42 ¿Quién sería el próximo presidente de Costa Rica si las elecciones fueran hoy? Esto reveló encuesta de CID Gallup

10:30 (Video) Mel Gibson no descarta vivir en Costa Rica, confiesa en podcast

09:23 Aficionados y mujeres del Mallorca sufren acoso en Arabia Saudita

07:00 Usar lentes oscuros no garantiza protección UV: Esto debe saber para cuidar sus ojos

18:55 Diputados apoyan a Edmundo González

Ballots will list candidates by their sex at birth, not gender identity.

In Costa Rica ballots must alternate between men and women candidates. Transgender people will be listed using their sex at birth. So a transgender woman must fill a man's place.

News article in Spanish:

- [https://www.larepublica.net/noticia/candidatos-trans-para-elecciones-municipales-
seran-ubicados-por-sexo-al-nacer-y-no-genero-autopercebido](https://www.larepublica.net/noticia/candidatos-trans-para-elecciones-municipales-seran-ubicados-por-sexo-al-nacer-y-no-genero-autopercebido)

Reference:

- https://www.tse.go.cr/revista/art/30/vargas_alvarado.htm

2023 March 8

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Legislator commutes biological women, “real women”, on International Women’s Day.

Saying “Today I want to celebrate biological women, those that science clearly identifies since they are born, those that for me and the majority of costaricans are real women.”

News article in Spanish:

- [https://elmundo.cr/costa-rica/david-segura-hoy-quiero-conmemorar-a-las-mujeres-bio-
logicas-las-mujeres-de-verdad/](https://elmundo.cr/costa-rica/david-segura-hoy-quiero-conmemorar-a-las-mujeres-biologicas-las-mujeres-de-verdad/)

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Decir que los hombres menstrúan es una ofensa a las mujeres, le señala David Segura a Rocío Alfaro



Tipo de cambio del dólar
Compra 502.21

Legislator declares saying that some men menstruate is disrespectful to real women.

Speaking against a law project that intends to recognize trans men's gender identity.

News article in Spanish:

- <https://elmundo.cr/costa-rica/decir-que-los-hombres-menstruan-es-una-ofensa-a-las-mujeres-le-senala-david-segura-a-rocio-alfaro/>

2023 February 28

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Alvarado solicita a Chaves derogar decretos sobre lenguaje inclusivo para eliminar ideología de género en escuelas



Legislator asks president to derogate executive orders regarding inclusive language in schools.

News article in Spanish:

- <https://elmundo.cr/costa-rica/alvarado-solicita-a-chaves-derogar-decretos-sobre-lenguaje-inclusivo-para-eliminar-ideologia-de-genero-en-escuelas/>

2023 February 17

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Parque de Diversiones niega discriminación a personas trans: 'Solo seguimos el reglamento'

Empresa reconoció que en dos ocasiones sus trabajadores usaron pronombres incorrectos para hablarle a una de las clientes, ya que se refirieron a ella como 'él'

Por José Andrés Céspedes

17 de febrero 2023, 12:37 p. m.



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Amusement park denies entrance to transwomen.

Six transwomen denounced being subjected to discrimination when the Parque de Diversiones amusement park denied them entry.

The park responded they were seen using drugs and alcohol before entering.

They reply they weren't, and the amusement park has no proof.

The park declared they are not apologizing and asserted they did nothing wrong.

Costa Rica has laws against "indecency" that are often used as tools to discriminate.

News articles in Spanish:

- <https://www.nacion.com/sucesos/seguridad/park-diversiones-niega-discriminacion-a-personas/YTRWIUC4QNHCZFPHAOQMO3AIYM/story/>

2023 February 13

The screenshot shows the official website of the United Nations Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights. At the top, there are logos for the United Nations and the UN Human Rights Office, along with links for 'Donate' and a search icon. Below the header is a navigation bar with dropdown menus for 'What are human rights?', 'Topics', 'Countries', 'Instruments & mechanisms', 'Latest', 'About us', and 'Get Involved'. A sub-navigation menu under 'Latest / Media Center' includes 'NEWS' and 'TREATY BODIES'. The main content area features a large, bold title: 'Non-governmental Organizations Brief the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women on the Situation of Women's Rights in Bahrain, Mauritania and Costa Rica'. The text below the title is a summary of the report.

Non-governmental Organizations Brief the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women on the Situation of Women's Rights in Bahrain, Mauritania and Costa Rica

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UN report on the situation of women's rights in Bahrain, Mauritania and Costa Rica.

Non-governmental Organizations Brief the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women on the Situation of Women's Rights in Bahrain, Mauritania and Costa Rica.

Report by the United Nation's Human Rights Office.

Quotes from the report:

"Not only was there no guarantee of access to justice, but the Costa Rican justice system reproduced discriminatory practices against victims of violence, including State violence. Special State protection actions for minority groups, including indigenous women, rural women, and women with disabilities, among others, was also requested."

"Costa Rica should prohibit and penalise any action that sought to modify the sexual orientation or gender identity of lesbian, bisexual, transgender, intersex, and queer people. Costa Rica should also generate State policies aimed at promoting the employment of the transgender population. The Ministry of Labour was urged to carry out studies on complaints and administrative processes in workplaces on acts of discrimination based on sexual orientation or gender identity. It should also be guaranteed that intersex people were not subjected to surgeries without their consent."

Report in English:

- <https://www.ohchr.org/en/news/2023/02/non-governmental-organizations-brief-committee-elimination-discrimination-against>

2023 February 7

CEDAW informe alternativo Costa Rica FINAL 2023

By Larissa Arroyo

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Organizations denounce Costa Rica's failure to support gender identity.

Academic report describing deficiencies in access to justice, data recollection, gender violence and health services. It applies to all women in general, but specifies trans women cases as well.

News article in Spanish:

- <https://delfino.cr/2023/02/organizaciones-denuncian-incumplimiento-de-costa-rica-en-igualdad-de-genero>

Report in Spanish:

- https://www.academia.edu/96488140/CEDAW_informe_alternativo_Costa_Rica_FI-NAL_2023

2023 February 6



The screenshot shows the homepage of the **SEMANARIO UNIVERSIDAD** website. The main feature is a large photograph of President Carlos Alvarado speaking at a podium, with the Costa Rican flag visible in the background. The website has a dark header with the title "SEMANARIO UNIVERSIDAD". On the left sidebar, there is a navigation menu with categories like País, Universitarias, Mundo, Cultura, Deportes, Opinión, Ideas&Debates, Suplementos, Publicidad, Nosotros, and Puntos de Venta. Below the menu is a red "SUSCRIBIRSE" button. At the bottom of the sidebar, there is a small thumbnail image of a magazine cover. The main content area includes a search bar, a "País" category tab, and the text "Inicio curso lectivo 2023: Presidente promete sistema educativo ‘lejos de ideologías extrañas’". It also includes author information ("Por Monserrat Cordero Parra | monsecorderoparra.mcp@gmail.com") and a date ("6 febrero, 2023"). Social media icons for Facebook, YouTube, Instagram, and X are located at the bottom of the sidebar.

President promises education system “far from weird ideologies”.

Following up his commitment to remove “gender ideology” from government and education.

News article in Spanish:

- <https://semanariouniversidad.com/pais/presidente-promete-sistema-educativo-lejos-de-ideologias-extranas/>

2023 January 18

Demandan a Costa Rica por negarse a modificar el sexo de personas trans en el registro civil

Neyssa Calvo neyssacalvo.asesora@larepublica.net | Miércoles 18 enero, 2023 02:30 p. m.



Archivo/La República



Costa Rica enfrenta una demanda ante la [Comisión Interamericana de Derechos Humanos](#) (CIDH) por negarse a alterar el sexo en el registro civil de personas transgénero.

Costa Rica sued for denying sex change in civil record.

News article in Spanish:

- <https://www.larepublica.net/noticia/demandan-a-costa-rica-por-negarse-a-modificar-el-sexo-de-personas-trans-en-el-registro-civil>

2022 November 4

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Política

Gobierno congela plan contra terapias de conversión sexual

Ministra de Presidencia argumenta razones de 'conveniencia y oportunidad'

Por Aarón Sequeira

04 de noviembre 2022, 06:08 p. m.



Government freezes plan against conversion therapy.

Ministra de Presidencia (equivalent Secretary of State), argues reasons of 'convenience and opportunity'.

Project is left outside of the official schedule for legislative discussion.

News article in Spanish:

- <https://www.nacion.com/el-pais/politica/gobierno-congela-plan-contra-terapias-de/ERPVIRAWUBASVIZYXAT3JVQJA/story/>

2022 October 31

The post is from user **alhanacm** (@alhanacm) on Oct 31, 2022. The content is a testimonial about transphobic experiences at a bar in Cali. The post has 1K likes and 141 replies.

Mis amigas y yo sufrimos acciones transfobicas en el bar La Destilería en la Cali
El jueves 27 de octubre, fuimos a visitar dicho bar en plan tranqui, cuando intentamos ingresar se nos advierte en la entrada q sí nos ven en los baños de mujeres, nos sacan xq "somos hombres" 1/5.

11:36 AM · Oct 31, 2022

1K · Reply · Copy link

Read 141 replies

Transwoman attacked at a restaurant in San José.

On October 27, security personnel verbally and physically attacked Alhana Chavarria when she was going to use the washroom. They misgendered her and grabbed her by the neck. Arguing it was a man trying to enter a women's washroom.

Comments to the article say, for example “He could at least shave!”, “the nerve on those lazy s.o.b.s”.

News article in Spanish:

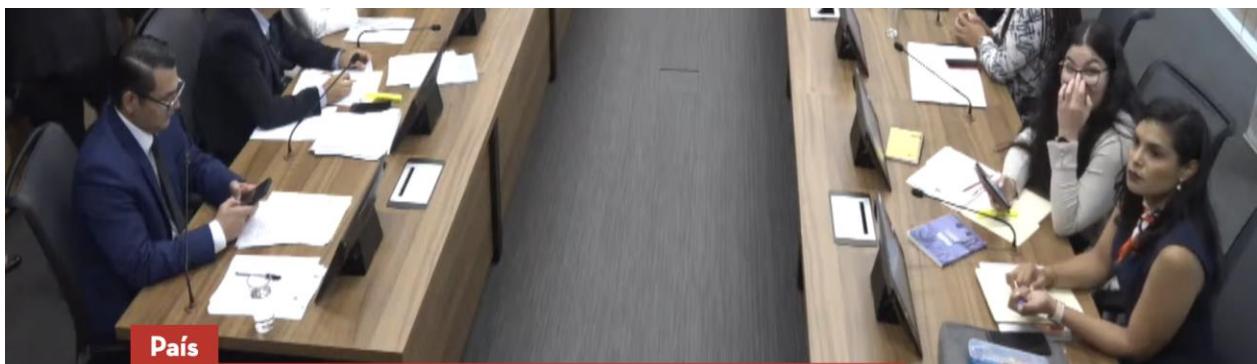
- <https://elmundo.cr/costa-rica/alhana-chavarria-denuncia-que-sufrio-violencia-transfobica-en-bar-de-la-cali/>

Alhana's tweet about the incident in Spanish:

- <https://twitter.com/alhanacm/status/1587151624715247618>

There are many homophobic replies on the thread, like “stay at your places” or “you deserve to be brutalized”.

2022 October 20



Nueva República bloquea proyecto para prohibir “terapias” de conversión con mociones y argumentos sin relación

Por Daniela Muñoz Solano | danielavms@gmail.com
20 octubre, 2022



Con el evidente fin de atrasar el debate, los conservadores diputados
mocionaron por los horarios de la comisión, compararon la
homosexualidad con drogadicción, sugirieron una equivalencia entre
ser una persona trans y y prostituirse, y hasta leyeron normas sobre
violencia animal.

Lawmakers block law project intending to criminalize conversion therapy.

They compared homosexuality with drug addiction, homologated being transgender with prostitution, and read norms regarding animal violence.

News article in Spanish:

- <https://semanariouniversidad.com/pais/nueva-republica-bloquea-proyecto-para-prohibir-terapias-de-conversion-con-mociones-y-argumentos-sin-relacion/>

2022 September 1

Sexual Violence in Costa Rica: A Progressive Country with Regressive Gender Policies

Fabiola Gretzinger*

Gender-based violence, although not a novel issue in international law, continues to affect nearly one in three women in the world.¹ While countries have signed treaties, passed domestic legislation, and pledged to protect women against gender-based violence, sexual violence has been blurred in national laws, lacking a comprehensive, universal definition.² Recent efforts to address sexual violence have been tailored to violations of international humanitarian law during war and armed conflict occurrences, overshadowing the day-to-day sexual attacks on women.³ Additionally, most countries suffer a legal “gap between the laws on the books and their implementation in practice.”⁴ Many countries have passed legislation to enforce their international responsibilities but have failed to provide mechanisms to ensure women are actually protected.⁵ Whether it be due to a lack of financial resources,

Sexual Violence in Costa Rica: A Progressive Country with Regressive Gender Policies

Article regarding gender violence in Costa Rica. It concerns mostly biological women, but mentions issues like 8th place for countries with the highest rape rate, and sexual violence happening every 80 minutes.

Quotes:

"In theory, Costa Rica currently has the laws in place to protect women against sexual violence and femicide. Nonetheless, as a culture heavily influenced by machismo, sexual violence and femicide continues to prevail in Costa Rican society. Specifically, the way machista ideologies are interwoven into the laws protects abusers rather than survivors, making prosecutions and convictions less likely".

"In 2016, 88% of the cases filed for violence against women were not prosecuted. In 2018, there were a total of 27 femicides, but only 10 convictions under the femicide law. Regarding sexual violence, there was a clear lack of prosecution and accountability. In 2019, there were 12,348 reports of sexual violence including rape, sexual relationships with minors, pornography distribution, and sexual abuse of women over eighteen. Nonetheless, there were only 1,669 sentences, setting a conviction rate of 14%".

Article in English:

- https://minnjil.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/09/Gretzinger_v31_i2_157_185.pdf

2022 August 8

GÉNEROS Y SEXUALIDADES

Derecha religiosa realiza “terapias de conversión” en Costa Rica

En el país se ha dado una importante discusión sobre las llamadas “terapias de conversión”, donde se lesionan los derechos de las personas LGBTI.



Gustavo Javier Molina Matute

Lunes 8 de agosto de 2022 |
Edición del día

Me gusta 53 Compartir 1



Más leídas de *Géneros y Sexualidades*

Religious right performs “conversion therapy” in Costa Rica.

Conversion therapy still legal in Costa Rica. This article describes how they have been performed on the population.

News article in Spanish:

- <https://www.laizquierdadiario.cr/Derecha-religiosa-realiza-terapias-de-conversion-en-Costa-Rica>

2022 July 22

Costa Rica's Gentrified LGBTQ Beach Town Isn't Very Welcoming to Queer Locals

ELIZABETH LANG

LAST UPDATED JULY 22, 2022, 6:22 AM



Costa Rica's Manuel Antonio is a queer paradise. Located on the pacific coast in the province of Puntarenas, which is internationally renowned for its national park, diverse flora and fauna, stunning beaches, and the world's top-rated hotel, it's a prime queer tourist destination. It's a locale where LGBTQ tourists find freedom, acceptance, and joy — privileges that aren't always shared by Costa Rica's queer locals.

Throughout the Central American country, a combination of mass tourism and lifestyle

Costa Rica's gentrified LGBTQ beach town isn't welcoming to queer locals

Article describing how tourists live in a bubble, and local residents' reality is very different. Being subjected to violence and abuse.

"The biggest fear any trans woman has is going out and not coming back" says one of the interviewees.

Article in English:

- <https://www.refinery29.com/en-us/2022/07/11016862/costa-rica-queer-beach-town-puntarenas>

2022 July 17

ÚLTIMA HORA

Discursos de odio crecen 71% en Costa Rica durante el último año

Brenda Camarillo bcamarillo@larepublica.net | Domingo 17 julio, 2022 08:53 a. m.



Elaboración propia/La República



Durante el último año, los [discursos de odio](#) crecieron un 71% en Costa Rica de acuerdo con el [análisis de redes sociales](#) elaborado por Coes, empresa dedicada al monitoreo de información.

Hate speech increases 71% in Costa Rica over a year.

Analysis of social networks by Coes, organization dedicated to information monitoring.

Politics and elections (it was an election year), sexual orientation and gender identity were the main subjects. Majority is men in the capital.

News article in Spanish:

- <https://www.larepublica.net/noticia/discursos-de-odio-crecen-71-en-costa-rica-durante-el-ultimo-ano>

Related article (hate speech predominant in costa ricans' social networks according to the UN:

- <https://www.larepublica.net/noticia/mensajes-de-odio-predominan-en-redes-sociales-de-ticos-afirma-la-onu>

Article in English.

- <https://unsdg.un.org/latest/stories/new-un-study-finds-hate-speech-costa-rica-grew-71>

2022 July 14



Government institution takes away building from trans rights organization.

The National Insurance Institute ends agreement where they lent a building to Transvida (pro trans rights organization).

Transvida labels it as a transphobic move.

Article in Spanish:

- <https://delfino.cr/2022/07/ins-quita-edificio-a-transvida-organizacion-califica-maniobra-de-transfobia-y-ataque-directo>

2022 June 22



The image is a news article from the website 'INTERFERENCIA'. It features a photograph of the flags of Costa Rica and the rainbow flag flying together. Below the photo is a caption in Spanish.

La figura del Comisionado de la Presidencia de la República para asuntos relacionados con las personas LGTBIQ+ se estableció mediante el Decreto Ejecutivo N° 441158 el 17 de mayo de 2018

Gobierno descarta nombrar a persona comisionada LGTBIQ+ y creará comisionado de ‘integración social’

President removes figure of LGTBIQ+ commissioner.

Rodrigo Chávez removes the figure of LGTBIQ+ commissioner established by the previous government. He replaces it with a general commissioner in charge of “various areas”.

The figure was created in 2018 by Executive Order. It was in charge of establishing specific dialogue and follow-up on non discriminatory public policy. The current government removes it.

News article in Spanish:

- <https://radios.ucr.ac.cr/2022/06/interferencia/gobierno-descarta-nombrar-comisionado-lgbtiq/>

Press conference video in Spanish:

- https://www.facebook.com/watch/live/?ref=watch_permalink&v=386592336784060

2022 May 18



Gobierno obvió decreto vigente y no conmemoró el Día Internacional contra la homofobia, lesbofobia y transfobia

Por Daniela Muñoz Solano | danielavms@gmail.com
18 mayo, 2022



Adicionalmente, personas funcionarias de dos distintas instituciones públicas dijeron a este medio que sus instituciones recibieron "órdenes superiores" de no realizar celebraciones institucionales en

Government bans celebration of IDAHOBIT.

The current government disregards a valid executive order and doesn't commemorate International day against homophobia, lesbophobia and transphobia for the first time in 14 years.

Personnel received explicit orders not to do any celebration regarding that day, or put any rainbow flags.

News article in Spanish:

- <https://semanariouniversidad.com/pais/gobierno-obvio-decreto-vigente-y-no-conmemoro-dia-internacional-contra-la-homolesbofobia-transfobia-y-bifobia/>

2022 April 7

| 50.50: FEATURE

Costa Rica's new president threatens women's and LGBTQ rights

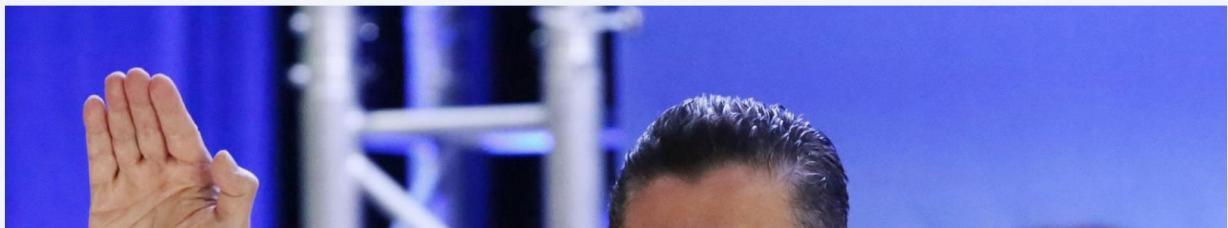
Rodrigo Chaves, accused of sexual harassment at the World Bank, has promised to ban gender education and uphold the strict law on abortion

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[Dánae Vílchez](#)

7 April 2022, 2.28pm



Comment on Costa Rica's current president, by OpenDemocracy.

How he is a radical change from the previous two governments, promoting right-wing values, similar to Donald Trump and Jair Bolsonaro. Evoking an “authoritarian tone and a really dangerous, traditional, masculine representation”.

News article in English:

- <https://www.opendemocracy.net/en/5050/costa-rica-president-election-women-human-rights/>

2022 March 31



Red LACTRANS publishes 5th report on trans issues in the region.

Citing Costa Rica as the second highest country in beating rates (44%, page 15), the highest country where violence and abuse occurs on the street (71%, page 16), and second highest where abuse and violence happen in health care services (27%, page 17).

Report in Spanish:

- <http://redlactrans.org.ar/site/wp-content/uploads/2023/03/PERSEGUIDES-EN-DEMOCRACIA-CEDOSTALC-2022.pdf>

2022 March 25

Política

Chaves se compromete con pastores a eliminar ‘ideología de género’ en educación

Acuerdo también incluye permitir que sector cristiano le proponga, si llega a mandatario, candidatos a puestos de liderazgo en Educación, Salud y Relaciones Exteriores

Por Armando Mayorga

25 de marzo 2022, 08:47 p. m.

El candidato Rodrigo Chaves Robles se comprometió con pastores evangélicos a eliminar la llamada “ideología de género” en el sistema educativo costarricense en caso de que llegue a ser elegido presidente de la República en las elecciones del domingo 3 de abril.

Publicidad



President committed with pastors to eliminate “gender ideology” when he was a candidate.

Then candidate, now president, committed with evangelical pastors to remove “gender ideology” from school system.

Also allowed the christian sector to nominate candidates to leadership positions in Education, Health and International Affairs.

Reference in Spanish:

- <https://www.nacion.com/el-pais/politica/chaves-se-compromete-con-pastores-a-eliminar/JUFZSGGUQBAKNAS4F2JMIWFSJ4/story/>

2022 February 6

Santa Cruz, Guanacaste

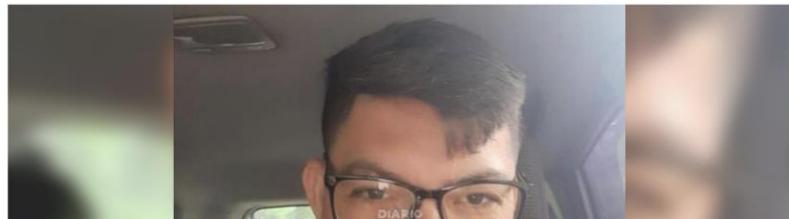
SUCESOS

Inducen a coma a salonero quemado vivo

Un nicaragüense identificado como Genaro Antonio Vega Pérez de 34 años de edad se encuentra internado en condición grave luego de ser víctima de una agresión en que le quemaron gran parte de su cuerpo en playa Potrero de Cabo...

23/01/2022 - 22:00

Sucesos



Waiter burned alive.

Immigrant gay waiter burned alive. Authorities deny it is a hate crime.

News in Spanish:

- <https://www.diarioextra.com/Noticia/detalle/468608/inducen-a-coma-a-salonero-quemado-vivo>
- <https://www.laprensani.com/2022/02/06/suplemento/la-prensa-domingo/2946897-el-crimen-de-odio-contra-genaro-quemado-vivo-por-ser-homosexual-y-nicaraguense>

2021 December 27

Deportes

Mujer trans perdió a su familia y el trabajo cuando cambió de sexo hace siete meses

Julia Bohemia Roberts contó todo lo que tuvo que sacrificar para poder sentirse plena

 Escuchar

Por Franklin Arroyo

27 de diciembre 2021, 07:32 a. m.

Julia Bohemia Roberts es una mujer trans que vivió como hombre hasta hace apenas siete meses, incluso siendo hombre estuvo casado y tuvo una hija, pero no se sentía cómoda con ella misma.

Cuando decidió hacer la transformación de él a Julia, también hubo cambios en su vida social. Perdió el trabajo, su familia le dio la espalda, casi no tiene contacto con su hija y

Publicidad



Transwoman loses family and job after sex change.

Interview in Spanish with Julia Bohemia.

Reference in Spanish:

- <https://www.lateja.cr/deportes/mujer-trans-perdio-a-su-familia-y-el-trabajo/FIEZ-WDCKLVEHRL524HSIBJHGVE/story/>

2021 November 24

| 50.50: INVESTIGATION

Therapists backed by US groups tell LGBTQ Costa Ricans that homosexuality is ‘wrong’

Foreign affiliates of Focus on the Family and Exodus Global Alliance promote anti-gay ‘therapy’, openDemocracy investigation reveals

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24 November 2021, 9.00am



Therapists backed by US groups tell LGBTQ Costa Ricans that homosexuality is ‘wrong’.

Saying “only a sadistic God would create a gay person”.

And the government refuses to ban conversion therapy.

News in English:

- <https://www.opendemocracy.net/en/5050/therapists-costa-ricans-homosexuality-wrong/>

2021 August

Article

PDF Available

From Victimization to Incarceration: Transgender Women in Costa Rica

August 2021 · Women & Criminal Justice

DOI:[10.1080/08974454.2021.1965066](https://doi.org/10.1080/08974454.2021.1965066)

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From Victimization to Incarceration: Transgender Women in Costa Rica

Article in English describing how transgender women's rights are violated by direct, social and structural violence in Costa Rica. Interviews transgender incarcerated women to narrate their experience and state of vulnerability. Complemented with a socio-legal analysis of the justice framework.

Reference:

- [https://www.researchgate.net/publication/354035115FromVictimizationtoIncarceration-
TransgenderWomeninCostaRica](https://www.researchgate.net/publication/354035115FromVictimizationtoIncarceration-TransgenderWomeninCostaRica)

2021 March 4

PDF de La violencia contra las mujeres trans en los espacios públicos: Entre el acoso sexual y la transfobia

59/rldh.32-1.1 • URL: <http://www.revistas.una.ac.cr/derechoshumanos>
recibido: 26-8-2020 • Aceptado: 25-11-2020



La violencia contra las mujeres trans en los espacios públicos: Entre el acoso sexual y la transfobia

Violence against trans women in public spaces: Between sexual harassment and transphobia

Violência contra mulheres trans em espaços públicos: entre o assédio sexual e a transfobia.

Karol Carmona Alvarado¹

Resumen

Este estudio tuvo como objetivo principal analizar, mediante el estudio de testimonios de mujeres trans, las manifestaciones del acoso sexual que enfrentan en los espacios públicos y que violentan sus derechos. Se realizó desde un paradigma de investigación cualitativa con algunos

Violence against trans women in public spaces: Between sexual harassment and transphobia

Academic article in Spanish, with summaries in Spanish, English and Portuguese. Published by Universidad Nacional, one of the main universities in Costa Rica.

Violence against trans women in public spaces: Between sexual harassment and transphobia.

Quote: "To the majority of women interviewed, public spaces are not safe places, they feel fear of being raped or hurt, be subjected to mockery and discrimination."

Reference in Spanish:

- <https://www.revistas.una.ac.cr/index.php/derechoshumanos/article/view/15192>

2020 December 8

Playas del Coco, Guanacaste

SUCESOS

Pelea con travesti y lo liquida a tiros

El sector conocido como El Precario en Playas del Coco de Carrillo, Guanacaste, se tiñó de sangre luego de que a un nicaragüense de 21 años lo asesinaron a balazos en vía pública tras un enfrentamiento, manifestó el Organismo de Investigación...



07/12/2020 - 22:00

Sucesos



Tati Quirós murdered in Playas del Coco.

Tati Quirós was murdered by gunshot near a tourist area. News coverage for shock value, disrespecting her privacy or identity.

Violence against trans people is not recognized in Costa Rica. These cases are treated as generic murder. This happened in 2020 but legality has not changed.

Original news report, violating her identity and privacy in Spanish:

- <https://www.diarioextra.com/Noticia/detalle/435859/pelea-con-travesti-y-lo-liquida-a-tiros>

Comment on the original news article in Spanish:

- <https://vozdeguanacaste.com/explicativo-una-mujer-trans-fue-asesinada-en-playas-del-coco/>

2020 April 1



“La diversidad no significa inclusión”: entrevista con Victoria, mujer trans de Costa Rica.

Primero que nada, me gustaría que a la gente que no te conoce le cuentes, ¿quién eres? ¿qué haces? Bueno, mi nombre es **Victoria Rovira Hernández**, tengo 24 años, soy, hmm, usualmente inicio diciendo que soy estudiante, pero hasta hace poco dejé de serlo, entonces ahora pues trabajo... trabajo para una empresa como asistente administrativa. También soy activista que es como lo que más me llena, pero este año he descansado un poco, he decidido buscar una manera de... de darme un descanso para poder encontrar una nueva meta... a veces pasa que hacemos mucho lo mismo y nos perdemos a lo largo del camino, perdemos el enfoque, esa meta, y pues estoy en este momento

Interview with trans activist Victoria Rovira.

Interview in Spanish. “Being a trans woman is hard, we have the lowest life expectancy in the world”, says Victoria Rovira trans activist.

“Diversity doesn’t mean inclusion”.

Interview in Spanish:

- <https://eldiverso.com/2020/04/01/costa-rica-ser-mujer-trans-es-dificil-tenemos-las-expectativas-de-vida-mas-bajas-en-el-mundo-activista-trans-victoria-rovira/>

2020 March 3

NACIONALES > SUCESOS

VIDEO TRASCIENDE EN REDES SOCIALES

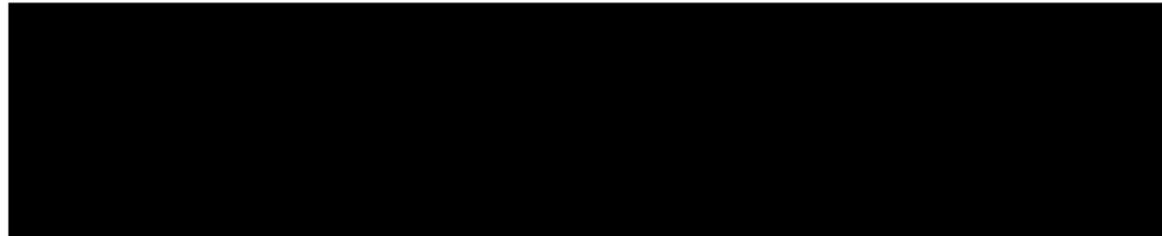
► (VIDEO) Sujetos atacaron brutalmente a mujeres trans en el centro de San José

Josué Alvarado 

Marzo 3, 2020 9:12 am



- HECHOS OCURRIERON EN LAS CERCANÍAS DE LA ALIANZA FRANCESA, BARRIO AMÓN



Group of men brutally attack trans women, downtown San Jose.

Two women were verbally and physically attacked. Video recordings show the men were recording themselves from a nearby car, while they yelled, touched, hit and kicked the women, all while laughing and placing bets.

News article in Spanish:

<https://www.crhoy.com/nacionales/video-sujetos-atacaron-brutalmente-a-mujeres-trans-en-el-centro-de-san-jose/>

2020 (date undefined)



Hate crimes due to sexual orientation and real or perceived gender identity in Costa Rica.

Report by Hivos America Latina (in Spanish). Describes hate manifestation, and provides examples of violence against trans people from 2016 to 2020.

It highlights how Costa Rica does not recognize gender identity and has no laws against specific transphobic hate crimes. That situation hasn't change since the report was published.

One case from 2017, for example: a transwoman was murdered, and the government did not respect her gender identity. Homicide records describe her as "a boy dressed as a woman".

- <https://america-latina.hivos.org/assets/2020/07/2020-Crimenes-de-odio-en-Costa-Rica-Acciones-e-insumos-para-la-incidencia.pdf>

Homophobic remarks by police officer.

Homophobic Remarks by Police in Costa Rica Under Investigation

By Jaime Lopez

LGBT Travel | Living in Costa Rica | San Jose Costa Rica

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A complaint that unfolded in social media circles has caught the attention of the media and the Ministry of Public Security (Spanish initials: MSP) in Costa Rica. According to a news report filed by [metro reporter Paula Ruiz](#) of daily newspaper [La Prensa Libre](#), the incident occurred this past Saturday in San Jose.

A police officer launched a series of insulting and homophobic remarks towards a male couple.

- <https://news.co.cr/homophobic-remarks-by-police-in-costa-rica-under-investigation/41544/>

2019 October 30

NACIONALES > SUCESOS

EN EL CENTRO DE SAN JOSÉ

Acusan a oficial de Fuerza Pública de quebrar cédula a mujer trans

Josué Alvarado 

Octubre 30, 2019 1:47 pm



- "Y SI SE PONE DE MATONCITO LO QUEBRAMOS AHÍ EN EL CAJÓN", DICE VÍCTIMA QUE LE AMENAZABAN
- MINISTERIO DE SEGURIDAD RESPONDE QUE RECOMIENDA A LA SUPUESTA VÍCTIMA DENUNCIAR PARA PODER PROCEDER

(CRHoy.com) Marco Castillo, líder de la comunidad LGBTI, denunció a través de redes sociales que un policía de Fuerza Pública le quebró la cédula a una mujer por ser trans. **CRHoy.com conversó con la supuesta víctima, quien decidió mantenerse en el anonimato, y contó la misma versión.** Ahora al menos dos organizaciones pedirán una cita al Ministro de Seguridad Pública Michael Soto para tratar la queja.

La mujer, a quien llamaremos Lucía, narró a **CRHoy.com** que el pasado miércoles 23 de octubre

 Marco Castillo Rojas 11 h · 

POLICÍA ROMPE CÉDULAS A MUJERES TRANS.
A una amiga mía, que a las dos de la tarde esperaba el bus cerca de la CCSS en San José un policía le pidió la cédula, ella se la dio, el policía consultó sobre antecedentes penales que mi amiga no tenía. Entonces el policía le dijo que esa cédula era falsificada porque ella no era ella sino que era un hombre. Le rompió la cédula. Tenemos noticias que hay unas 10 mujeres trans a quienes les ha pasado lo mismo. CLARA VIOLACIÓN A LOS DERECHOS HUMANOS. No hay forma de identificar al policía pues la Fuerza Pública se tapa entre ellos. En OIDH CR estamos tomando cartas en el asunto y coordinaremos con Castrovíva la lucha contra este atropello..

 Luis Beita y 133 personas más 17 comentarios 18 veces compartido
Publicación de Marco Castillo en Facebook.

Police officer breaks in half transwoman's Id document.

Downtown San Jose, 2pm. Police officer violates trans woman's rights and threatens further violent action.

News article in Spanish:

- <https://www.crhoy.com/nacionales/acusan-a-oficial-de-fuerza-publica-de-quebrar-cedula-a-mujer-trans/>

2019 March 5

Maria Paula Murillo Reyes

Age 35

5 Mar 2019

San José (Costa Rica)

Murdered

TDoR list ref: tgeu/5-Mar-2019/Maria Paula Murillo Reyes



Maria Paula Murillo Reyes [photo: www.diarioextra.com]

Murder of Maria Paula Murillo Reyes, age 35.

María was murdered while working. After her death the commissioner of LGBTI Affairs of the Presidential House called for trans people to be respected in society.

Note the figure of Commissioner of LGBTI Affairs was removed by the following government in June of 2022.

News article in English:

- https://tdor.translivesmatter.info/reports/2019/03/05/maria-paula-murillo-reyes_san-jose-costa-rica_8c7cb192

2018 June 19



Who killed Kenisha?

News article (in Spanish), describing the murder of Kenisha, its aftermath and how the government dealt with it. It narrates how the government never recognized her identity, and misgendered her in all official reports. Reflects on how the lack of public policy and apathy are two of the main causes why transwomen's life expectancy on the region is 35 years.

The article includes audio and video. In the audio (in Spanish), her mother describes how she "asked 'him' to change 'his' life with the power of the Bible."

- <https://semanariouniversidad.com/pais/quien-mato-a-kenisha/>



Trans víctimas del silencio

Video in Spanish. Trans people tell their personal experiences. One tells how she was witness to one of her friends' murder, and how police officers not only did nothing, but were disgusted to even touch her. Another one narrates how he barely escaped an attack by men, including an armed security guard.

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=E6OKRmBaCHA&t=195s>

2017 August 15

Kenicha

Age 16

15 Aug 2017
Pococí, Limón (Costa Rica)
Asphyxiated

TDoR list ref: tgeu/15-Aug-2017/Kenicha



Kenicha's body was found in a wasteland by neighbours. She had been asphyxiated.

Murder of Kenisha, age 16.

Kenisha's body was found in a wasteland by neighbours. She had been asphyxiated.

Link in English:

https://tdor.translivesmatter.info/reports/2017/08/15/kenicha_pococi-limon-costa-rica_7bd143e0

2016 March 3

Michelle Fuentes Robles

Age 30

3 Mar 2016

Cartago (Costa Rica)

Shot

TDoR list ref: tgeu/3-Mar-2016/Michelle Fuentes Robles



Michelle was killed at her home with multiple gunshot wounds. The police arrested two suspects involved and believes it might be a case of trafficking.

TvT partner organisation Centro de Apoyo a las Identidades Trans & Nacion, 04.03.2016

Murder of Michelle Fuentes Robles, age 30.

Michelle was killed at her home with multiple gunshot wounds.

Link in English:

https://tdor.translivesmatter.info/reports/2016/03/03/michelle-fuentes-robles_cartago-costa-rica_3eea3e9f

2012 May 14

Name Unknown

Age 30

14 May 2012
Alajuela (Costa Rica)
Shot

TDoR list ref: tgeu/May-2012/N.N.



The body was found on the acres of a farm, showing signs of torture. The victim was hit in the face, stabbed and then shot dead.

Murder, name unknown, age 30.

The body was found on the acres of a farm, showing signs of torture. The victim was hit in the face, stabbed and then shot dead.

Link in English:

https://tdor.translivesmatter.info/reports/2012/05/14/name-unknown_alajuela-costarica_aeb5d73d