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News, articles and reports concerning violence against trans,
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Transphobic discrimination at INCOFER railway station.

APRIL 07, 2026

2026 April 7

A trans woman filed an amparo (constitutional protection) before Costa Rica's Sala IV after being a victim of transphobic discrimination at the Estación del Atlántico, operated by the Instituto Costarricense de Ferrocarriles (INCOFER).

Security personnel denied her access to the women's bathroom and ordered her to use the men's. When she presented her valid national ID issued by the Tribunal Supremo de Elecciones, staff arbitrarily claimed the document was "not valid" for the institution. Her explanations about medical needs related to hormone therapy were ignored.

The legal action invokes Articles 33 and 40 of the Costa Rican Constitution and the Inter-American Court of Human Rights Opinion OC-24/17 on gender identity recognition. She requested immediate provisional measures and structural changes including protocol implementation and staff training.

News article in Spanish:

- [Denuncian discriminación transfóbica en el Incofer ante Sala IV - El Mundo CR](#)

A feminist perspective on Costa Rica's upcoming vote



Feminist analysis: anti-gender agenda dominates Costa Rica's 2026 elections.

JANUARY 29, 2026

2026 January 29

Ahead of Costa Rica's February 2026 general elections, a feminist analysis published by Ojalá examines how conservative and right-wing political forces have systematically attacked gender-based violence prevention and trans rights during the Chaves administration.

The analysis documents how an alliance between the Chaves government and neo-Pentecostal parties and churches led to the elimination of secular sex and relationship education, the undermining of institutions addressing gender-based violence, and the restriction of medical abortion access.

The authors warn that "increasingly brutal violence against feminized people" has become the norm, with this agenda supported by people in power. Conservative sectors promote "fixed gender norms" where "cis women and LGBTQIA+ people are portrayed as objects to be dominated."

Leading presidential candidate Laura Fernández stated publicly that "abortion is, quite simply, murder", reflecting the broader rightward shift on gender issues in Costa Rican politics.

Article in English:

- [A feminist perspective on Costa Rica's upcoming vote - Ojalá](#)
- [A Feminist Perspective on Costa Rica's Upcoming Vote - Left Renewal Blog](#)



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Ombudsman warns of escalating gender violence crisis.

NOVEMBER 27, 2025

2025 November 27

Costa Rica's Ombudsman (Defensoría de los Habitantes) sounded the alarm on a deepening crisis of violence against women, with 33 femicides recorded in 2025, the highest number in over a decade.

2025 ended as the most violent year for women in the country, with 85 of the 873 homicide victims being women. Since 2022, the femicide rate has climbed steadily, with intimate partner violence as the leading cause.

The Ombudsman called for stronger prevention and protection measures, including better inter-agency coordination, steady funding for support programs, a reliable national care network, easier access to work for women, and crime strategies that consider gender impacts.

The Defensoría stated that violence against women stems from deep-rooted structural inequalities, patriarchal norms, and inadequate state responses — the same systemic conditions that drive violence against trans and gender-diverse people.

News article in English:

- [Costa Rica Faces Escalating Gender Violence Crisis, Ombudsman Warns - Tico Times](#)

News in Spanish:

- [Solo dos meses del 2025, país alcanzó una tercera parte de los femicidios del año anterior - Semanario Universidad](#)



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UN report: hate speech against LGBTQ+ surges 344% in one year.

AUGUST 13, 2025

2025 August 13

A UN report documented 2.1 million hate speech messages on Costa Rican social media, up 16% from 2024 and a staggering 400% increase since 2021.

Hate directed at the LGBTQ+ population saw the sharpest rise of all groups: a 344% increase in a single year, totaling 251,000 messages. Many rely on old stereotypes, tying sexual orientation or gender identity to ideas of "disease" or "indoctrination".

The findings point to serious risks for the country's democracy, human rights, and social bonds if these trends continue unchecked. Attacks focus heavily on politics, gender, and the LGBTQ+ community.

This follows a previous UN report from 2022 that already showed a 71% increase in hate speech over a year.

News article in English:

- [UN Report Warns Costa Rica Faces Record Surge in Social Media Hate Speech - Tico Times](#)

Related:

- [ONU: "Si Costa Rica no revierte tendencia de los discursos de odio, violencia y discriminación, los daños pueden tener un enorme costo" - UN Costa Rica](#)



State censorship of 2025 Pride March closing event.

JUNE 28, 2025

2025 June

The Public Entertainment Control and Rating Commission (CCEP) revoked the "all audiences" classification for Orgullo Costa Rica's closing event for the 2025 Pride March, just days before the scheduled celebration. The decision came through official document CCEP-700-06-2025, overturning the prior approval CCEP-691-06-2025.

According to Orgullo Costa Rica, the government requested the event reduce its visibility, and based the reclassification on alleged audience conduct rather than actual performance content.

The organization filed a constitutional challenge seeking immediate nullification of the revocation. Dayana Álvarez Cisneros, president of Orgullo Costa Rica, stated: "This is not merely an attack on an event; it represents an assault on our very existence, our heritage, and our fundamental rights."

This follows the pattern set in June 2024, when the current administration fired cultural officials for approving Pride March support without presidential authorization — a decision later condemned by Costa Rica's Constitutional Court.

News article in Spanish:

- [Organización Orgullo Costa Rica denuncia censura estatal al evento de cierre de la Marcha de la Diversidad 2025 - Delfino.cr](#)



Trans women in men's prisons: Isamar Morales's testimony.

JUNE 01, 2025

Feature

Isamar Morales, a transgender woman, spent nearly four years incarcerated in Costa Rica's male prisons between 2006 and 2010. Her testimony exposes the brutal conditions trans women face in the country's penitentiary system.

During her incarceration, Isamar witnessed a fellow inmate's murder. Facilities held approximately 40 people in spaces designed for 26. Bathrooms lacked privacy, forcing her to shower exposed to other inmates, creating constant vulnerability to assault.

Prison authorities denied her basic dignity: feminine clothing and makeup were prohibited, conjugal visits refused, access to hormone therapy and appropriate healthcare denied, and her request to be classified as a woman for legal purposes was rejected.

Today, Isamar coordinates prison outreach for Transvida, a Costa Rican human rights organization. Through an agreement with the Justice Ministry, they now deliver hygiene kits, feminine clothing, and legal information to incarcerated trans women.

Article in Spanish:

- [La línea que divide la vida de la muerte de una mujer trans en una prisión de hombres - Hivos](#)

Lawmakers reject trans rights law

April 10, 2025

Lawmakers reject trans rights law.

APRIL 10, 2025

Voting 5 against and only 1 in favour, Costa Rica's lawmakers reject law 23809, "Ley de Reconocimiento de Identidades Trans, No Binarias, de Género Diverso e Intersex", effectively killing it.

Calling it "weird ideology", linking it to pedophiles, accusing it of going against women's rights, lawmakers show their ignorance on the subject and refuse the law project from going forwards.

AMULABI submits report on conversion therapy to UN Universal Periodic Review

April 01, 2025

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APRIL 01, 2025

2025 April

AMULABI (Asociación Mulabi) submitted a report to Costa Rica's 4th Universal Periodic Review (47th session) documenting ongoing conversion therapy operations in the country, conducted by practitioners backed by US-based religious organizations.

The report highlights the legislative blocking by Nueva República's faction of bills seeking to prohibit conversion therapy, and the government's overall inaction despite documented harm to LGBTQ individuals. A bill to ban these practices had been stalled in the Human Rights Committee after facing opposition from conservative lawmakers who argued it threatened "religious freedom".

In March 2024, the embassies of the United States, Canada, Colombia, Spain and the Netherlands had jointly sent a letter to Congress supporting the prohibition of conversion therapies, arguing they "typically cause profound and lasting psychological and physical trauma".

Source document:

- [AMULABI UPR47 Costa Rica submission \(PDF\)](#)

Related news in Spanish:

- [Terapias de conversión: Comisión de DD.HH. avanza en dos mociones por freno de Nueva República - Observador CR](#)
- [¿Por qué hay un debate sobre las terapias de conversión sexual en Costa Rica? - CNN](#)

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CIDH evaluará situación de derechos humanos en Costa Rica

» Organizaciones civiles expondrán preocupaciones sobre seguridad, violencia de género, niñez, pueblos indígenas, población LGBTQ y otros temas.



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IACHR holds hearing on Costa Rica's human rights situation.

MARCH 05, 2025

2025 March 5

The Inter-American Commission on Human Rights (IACHR/CIDH) held a public hearing to examine the state of human rights in Costa Rica. Civil society organizations, including CIPAC and Alianza de Mujeres Costarricenses, raised concerns about increasing violence against the LGBTQ population, rising hate speech, and government rollbacks of protections.

The organizations urged state agents to respect democratic institutions and freedom of expression, and to avoid hate speech or delegitimization of critical voices. They recommended the creation of a protection mechanism and an investigation protocol for threats and crimes against human rights defenders.

News articles in Spanish:


- [CIDH evaluará situación de derechos humanos en Costa Rica - El Mundo CR](#)
- [La CIDH cita a Costa Rica a audiencia para examinar el estado de los derechos humanos - Infobae](#)

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- [El Estado de Costa Rica responde ante la CIDH - CEJIL](#)

Chaves elimina comisionado LGTBI y deroga decreto para erradicar discriminación en instituciones contra población sexualmente diversa

El Decreto Ejecutivo 38.999 estableció la "Política del Poder Ejecutivo para erradicar de sus instituciones la discriminación hacia la población LGTBI".

Por  Redacción El Observador

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Tiempo de Lectura: 2 minutos



Chaves repeals anti-discrimination decree and eliminates LGBTI commissioner.

JANUARY 29, 2025

2025 January 29

President Rodrigo Chaves announced the repeal of Executive Decree 38.999, the "Executive Policy to eradicate discrimination toward the LGBTI population from its institutions", and the elimination of the dedicated LGBTQ commissioner that had been established by former president Carlos Alvarado.

The Presidential Social Council would absorb these duties into a generic "vulnerability" portfolio, alongside disability and ethnicity issues. When questioned about the decision, Chaves stated: "Why should only they have a commissioner?"

The decree had been in place since 2015 and was designed to establish a policy within the Executive Branch to eliminate discrimination against the LGBTI population in public institutions.

News articles in Spanish:

- [Chaves elimina comisionado LGTBI y deroga decreto para erradicar discriminación en instituciones contra población sexualmente diversa - Observador CR](#)
- [¿Por qué solo ellos van a tener un comisionado?, cuestiona Rodrigo Chaves - El Mundo CR](#)

Tiffany Ortega Carballo dies, age 42

January 06, 2025

Tiffany Ortega Carballo dies, age 42.

JANUARY 06, 2025

Activist for trans population human rights.

No news coverage.

Link in Spanish:

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

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

‘¿Qué sienten al dañarnos? ¿Satisfacción? ¿En serio?’

Tiffany Ortega Carballo tiene 19 años de ser trabajadora del sexo y, desde el día uno, ha recibido desde insultos hasta golpes.
La Nación Katherine Chaves R.

October. The identity of her killer(s) and motive for the attack are not known.

A person, apparently transgender, was killed with multiple stab wounds early Sunday morning in the Fecosa neighborhood in El Carmen de Cartago.

The judicial authorities received the alert at 1 am, however the Red Cross received the warning from 12:30 am

A 56-year-old [woman] with the surname Camacho was killed with multiple stab wounds. She was apparently a transgender [woman] known as Laisa. The attack occurred in the early hours of Sunday, October 27, 2024 in the Fecosa neighborhood in El Carmen de Cartago.

When rescuers arrived, they found the victim with cuts to her abdomen and legs and declared her dead at the scene. Authorities identified the victim as Camacho, 56 years old.

A Texas law requires school employees to use names and pronouns that conform to students' sex at birth.

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Murder of Laisa Camacho, age 56.

OCTOBER 27, 2024

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:

Remembering Our Dead - Laisa Camacho (27 Oct 2024)

Laisa Camacho was 56 and was stabbed in El Carmen de Cartago, Costa Rica.

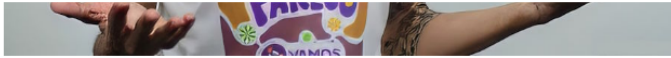
Remembering Our Dead

News coverage in Spanish:

Salvaje muerte de persona aparentemente transgénero crea mucha indignación

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

La TejaAlejandra Morales



Dayana Hernández González [photo: www.crhoy.com]

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.

Dayana Hernández González (San José, July 15, 1983 - July 1, 2024) was a trans consultant on issues related to access to health, STIs and HIV, and a Costa Rican activist for transgender rights and human rights. She was the founder and director of the Transvida organization. In 2018, she was the first trans woman to be a candidate for deputy to the Legislative Assembly.

Within activism, Hernández was a reference person in the Country Coordinating

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Dayana Hernandez dies, age 40.

JULY 01, 2024

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

Remembering Our Dead - Dayana Hernández González (1 Jul 2024)

Dayana Hernández González was 40 and died by cosmetic filler complications in San José, Costa Rica.

Remembering Our Dead

Link in Spanish:

Falleció Dayana Hernández, activista y primera mujer trans en ser candidata a diputada en Costa Rica

La activista y fundadora de la organización Transvida, Dayana Hernández González, falleció la madrugada de este lunes 1 de julio.

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President Fires Officials Over LGBT Pride March Support.

JUNE 30, 2024

2024 June 30

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:

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<https://www.elpais.cr/2024/06/29/chaves-destituye-a-ministra-de-cultura-antes-de-marcha-lgtbi/>

Government doesn't commemorate IDAHOBIT

May 17, 2024

Government doesn't commemorate IDAHOBIT.

MAY 17, 2024

2024 May 17

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

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Murder of Juliana Elizondo.

DECEMBER 31, 2023

2023 December 31

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

Links in Spanish:

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Police abuse activists at demonstration.

SEPTEMBER 09, 2023

2023 September 9

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

Links in Spanish:

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

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

Semanario Universidad Daniela Muñoz Solano

Comunicado de personas de ciencias sociales y activistas feministas en repudio al abuso policial

El sábado 9 de setiembre, en horas de la mañana, se llevó a cabo una marcha feminista, de carácter pacífico, en contra del abuso de la fuerza policial. La convocatoria surgió como una muestra de solidaridad hacia una joven alajuelense, quien denunció actos de brutalidad policial y violencia sexual cometidos contra su persona el sábado 26 de agosto, cuando fue sometida a un arresto arbitrario. La respuesta de las fuerzas policiales a esta manifestación fue desproporcionada desde un inicio, pues se desplegaron decenas de oficiales en las afueras de la Asamblea Legislativa, a pesar de ser pocas las personas concentradas. Los y las oficiales asumieron una actitud de provocación, y escalaron situaciones de tensión por medio de insultos y agresiones físicas, llegando inclusive a proferir amenazas de muerte contra las personas movilizadas. Varias manifestantes resultaron lesionadas producto de la intervención policial, y cuatro de ellas fueron arrestadas de manera arbitraria tras intentar proteger la integridad física de otras. Expresamos nuestro repudio a la función autoritaria asumida por los y las policías que atentaron contra el ejercicio de la libre manifestación y que evidenciaron, nuevamente, su disposición a hacer un uso desmedido de la fuerza, en total irrespeto de la dignidad humana. Estas acciones dan cuenta de un profundo distanciamiento de las fuerzas policiales respecto a la ciudadanía a la que deberían servir, y son expresivas de una cultura institucional de impunidad y ensañamiento anti-democrático. Advertimos con alarma una creciente tendencia a la criminalización de la protesta, que instrumentaliza el sistema judicial para infundir miedo y acallar el disenso. Las personas firmantes manifestamos nuestra solidaridad con quienes fueron injustamente detenidos y demandamos que se levanten los cargos.

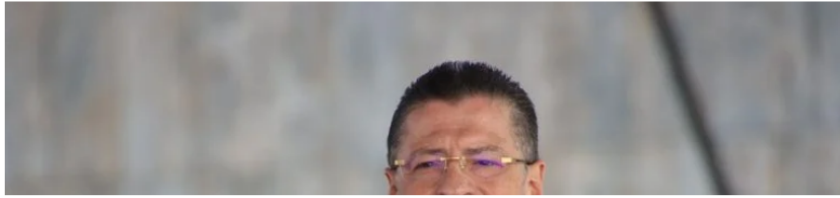
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Rodrigo Chaves advierte que vetará ley trans si es aprobada por el Congreso



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President declares he will veto trans rights law.

JULY 06, 2023

2023 July 6

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:

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

Rodrigo Chaves advierte que vetará ley trans si es aprobada por el Congreso Costa Rica - El Mundo CR

El Mundo CRYamileth Angulo

Video in Spanish:

“No voy a firmar una ley que atente contra nuestra niñez”: El presidente de Costa Rica muestra su rechazo a ley trans

Chaves adelantó que si esa ley, impulsada por el partido de izquierda, Frente Amplio, es aprobada en el congreso y llega a su escritorio, él no la firmará.

CBN NewsMundo Cristiano

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(VIDEOS) Llenan de críticas proyecto que permite a niños de 12 años cambiar su género

Por Bharley Quiros | 28 de Jun. 2023 | 2:29 pm
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Legislators talk against trans rights law.

JUNE 28, 2023

2023 June 28

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

News article in Spanish with video:

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



Government doesn't commemorate IDAHOBIT.

MAY 17, 2023

2023 May 17

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

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

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Jueves, 9 marzo 2023



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FUENTE: BANCO CENTRAL DE COSTA RICA

MÁS LEÍDAS

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

MARCH 09, 2023

2023 March 9

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:

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

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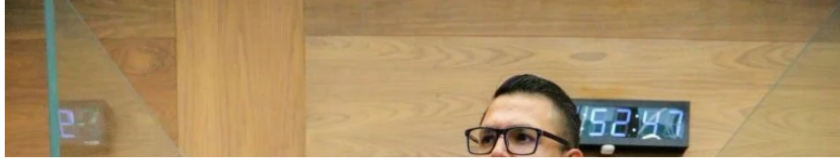
La República Esteban Arrieta

Reference:

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

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Últimas noticias

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

MARCH 08, 2023

2023 March 8

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 costa ricans are real women.”

News article in Spanish:

David Segura: Hoy quiero conmemorar a las mujeres biológicas, las mujeres de verdad

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Últimas noticias

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

MARCH 01, 2023

2023 March 1

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

News article in Spanish:

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

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



Últimas noticias

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

FEBRUARY 28, 2023

2023 February 28

News article in Spanish:

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

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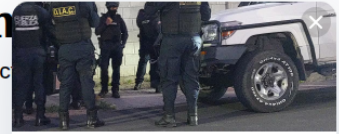


Seguridad

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



SUCESOS

Líderes de ‘Los Chacales’ huyen tras ser alertados de

Amusement park denies entrance to transwomen.

FEBRUARY 17, 2023

2023 February 17

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 “indecentcy” that are often used as tools to discriminate.

News articles in Spanish:

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La Nación José Andrés Céspedes

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

February 13, 2023

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FEBRUARY 13, 2023

2023 February 13

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>



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

FEBRUARY 07, 2023

2023 February 7

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:

Organizaciones denuncian incumplimiento de Costa Rica en igualdad de género

El 20 y 21 de febrero 2023, #CostaRica se presenta ante el Comité para la Eliminación de la Discriminación contra la Mujer (CEDAW).

Delfino.crKarla Chaves Brenes •

Report in Spanish:

CEDAW informe alternativo Costa Rica FINAL 2023

El informe alternativo fue elaborado por el Grupo de Trabajo de Agenda CEDAW, integrado por organizaciones, colectivas y grupos de sociedad civil de mujeres, feministas, lideresas y activistas, quienes hemos asumido un rol de vigilancia e incidencia
Larissa Arroyo



President promises education system “far from weird ideologies”.

FEBRUARY 06, 2023

2023 February 6

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

News article in Spanish:

Presidente promete sistema educativo “lejos de ideologías extrañas” • Semanario Universidad

El mandatario indicó que impulsará un sistema educativo que no sea “un método de adoctrinamiento”.

Semanario Universidad
Montserrat Cordero Parra

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

[Neyssa Calvo](#) | neyssacalvoasesora@larepublica.net

Miércoles, 18 enero 2023



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Costa Rica sued for denying sex change in civil record.

JANUARY 18, 2023

2023 January 18

Costa Rica still doesn't allow to legally change sex or gender.

News article in Spanish:

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

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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.

NOVEMBER 04, 2022

2022 November 4

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:

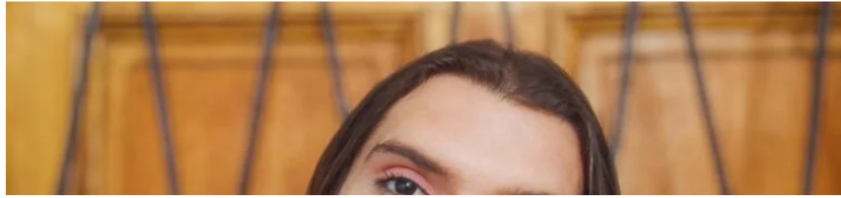
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Portada » Costa Rica » Alhana Chavarría denuncia que sufrió violencia transfóbica en bar de la Cali

Alhana Chavarría denuncia que sufrió violencia transfóbica en bar de la Cali



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COSTA RICA

Transwoman attacked at a restaurant in San José.

OCTOBER 31, 2022

2022 October 31

On October 27, security personnel verbally and physically attacked Alhana Chavarria when she was going to use the washroom at La Destilería restaurant, in one of San José's most famous nightlife zones.

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:

Alhana Chavarría denuncia que sufrió violencia transfóbica en bar de la Cali

Alhana Chavarría denuncia que sufrió violencia transfóbica en bar de la Cali Costa Rica - El Mundo CR

El Mundo CRYamileth Angulo

Alhana's tweet about the incident in Spanish:

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



Lawmakers block law project intending to criminalize conversion therapy.

OCTOBER 20, 2022

2022 October 20

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

News article in Spanish:

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

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 prostituirse, y hasta leyeron normas sobre violencia animal.

Semanario Universidad Daniela Muñoz Solano

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

September 01, 2022

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

SEPTEMBER 01, 2022

2022 September 1

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

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



Religious right performs “conversion therapy” in Costa Rica.

AUGUST 08, 2022

2022 August 8

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

News article in Spanish:

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La Izquierda Diario Gustavo Javier Molina Matute

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

ELIZABETH LANG

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

JULY 23, 2022

2022 July 22

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:

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

Costa Rica’s Manuel Antonio is a queer paradise. It’s a locale where LGBTQ tourists find freedom, acceptance, and joy — privileges that aren’t always shared by Costa Rica’s queer locals.

Refinery29Elizabeth Lang

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

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

JULY 17, 2022

2022 July 17

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:

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

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Related article (hate speech predominant in costarricans' social networks according to the UN):

Mensajes de odio predominan en redes sociales de ticos, afirma la ONU

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La República Redacción La República

Article in English.

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



Government institution takes away building from trans rights organization.

JULY 14, 2022

2022 July 14

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:

INS quita edificio a Transvida: Organización califica maniobra de transfobia y “ataque directo”

Periodismo independiente orientado a fortalecer la participación ciudadana y el control político

Delfino.crSamantha Brenes Mora •

President removes figure of LGBTIQ+ commissioner

June 22, 2022

President removes figure of LGBTIQ+ commissioner.

JUNE 22, 2022

2022 June 22

Rodrigo Chavez removes the figure of LGBTIQ+ 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:

Gobierno descarta nombrar a persona comisionada LGBTIQ+ y creará comisionado de ‘integración social’ - Radioemisoras UCR

El Gobierno de Rodrigo Chaves no nombrará a una persona comisionada LGBTIQ+ y creará un nuevo Comisionado de “integración social”.

Radioemisoras UCRHulda Miranda

Press conference video in Spanish:

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



Government bans celebration of IDAHOBIT.

MAY 18, 2022

2022 May 18

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:

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

Adicionalmente, personas funcionarias de dos distintas instituciones públicas dijeron a este medio que sus instituciones recibieron "órdenes superiores" de no realizar celebraciones institucionales en torno a este día y no izar las banderas multicolor

Semanario Universidad Daniela Muñoz Solano

Comment on Costa Rica's current president, by OpenDemocracy

April 07, 2022

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APRIL 07, 2022

2022 April 7

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:

Costa Rica's new president, Rodrigo Chaves, threatens rights

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

openDemocracyDánae Vílchez

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

March 31, 2022

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MARCH 31, 2022

2022 March 31

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>



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

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

MARCH 25, 2022

2022 March 25

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

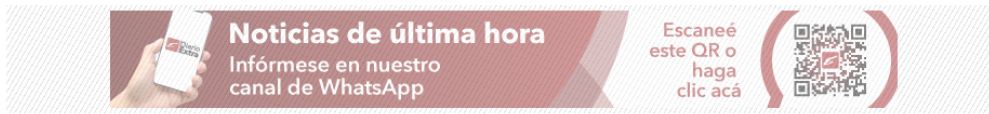
Also allowed the christian sector to nominate candidates to leadership positions in Education, Health and International Affairs.

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La NaciónArmando Mayorga

**SUCESOS**

Inducen a coma a

Waiter burned alive.

FEBRUARY 06, 2022

2022 February 6

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

References (both in Spanish):**Inducen a coma a salonero quemado vivo - Diario Extra**

Un nicaragüense identificado como Genaro Antonio Vega Pérez de 34 años de edad se encuentra internado en Diario Extra

El crimen de odio contra Genaro: ¿Quemado vivo por ser homosexual y nicaragüense?

El nicaragüense Genaro Vega fue quemado vivo en Costa Rica, y aunque lo dieron por muerto, sigue luchando por su vida en un hospital con la mayor parte de su cuerpo quemado. Sus amigos no encuentran otra motivación para el crimen más que su orientación sexual.

La PrensaHans Lawrence Ramírez



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

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Por Franklin Arroyo

07 de diciembre de 2021 07:00

Transwoman loses family and job after sex change.

DECEMBER 27, 2021

2021 December 27

Interview in Spanish with Julia Bohemia.

Reference:

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

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La TejaFranklin Arroyo

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

November 24, 2021

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

NOVEMBER 24, 2021

2021 November 24

Saying "only a sadistic God would create a gay person", and the government refuses to ban conversion therapy.

Reference:

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

From Victimization to Incarceration: Transgender Women in Costa Rica

August 01, 2021

From Victimization to Incarceration: Transgender Women in Costa Rica.

AUGUST 01, 2021

2021 August

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/354035115_From_Victimization_to_Incarceration_Transgender_Women_in_Costa_Rica

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

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

MARCH 04, 2021

2021 March 4

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

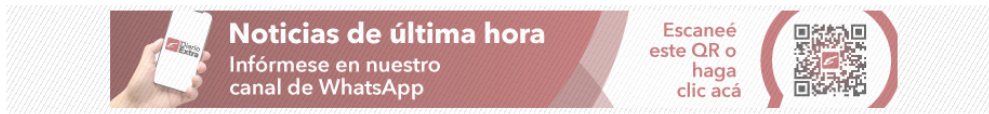
Violence against trans women in public spaces: Between sexual harassment and transphobia.

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:

La violencia contra las mujeres trans en los espacios públicos: Entre el acoso sexual y la transfobia | Revista Latinoamericana de Derechos Humanos

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Tati Quirós murdered in Playas del Coco.

DECEMBER 08, 2020

2020 December 8

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).

Pelea con travesti y lo liquida a tiros - Diario Extra

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

Diario Extra

Comment on the original news article (in Spanish).

Explicativo: una MUJER TRANS fue asesinada en Playas del Coco

El lunes en la madrugada, una mujer trans fue asesinada en Playas del Coco, Carrillo. El tratamiento informativo sobre su dignidad y su muerte nos hizo querer explicarles para entender el crimen, quién era ella y por qué debemos respetar su identidad.

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Commentary in English:

Explainer: A TRANS WOMAN was murdered in Playas del Coco

Early Monday morning, Tati Quiros was murdered in Playas del Coco, Carrillo. The undignified way information has been handled about her status and her death made us want to help you understand the crime and why we should respect her identity.

La Voz de GuanacasteNoelia Esquivel



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

JULY 01, 2020

2020

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".

Reference:

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

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Homophobic Remarks by Police in Costa Rica Under Investigation

By Jaime Lopez

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Homophobic remarks by police officer.

JULY 01, 2020

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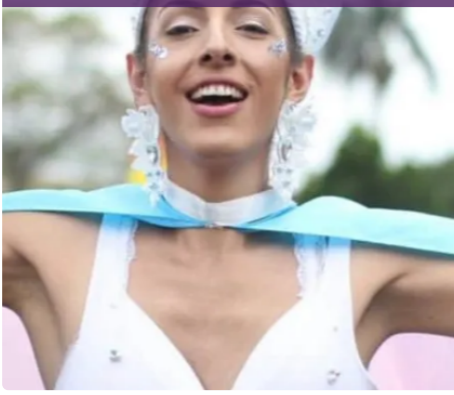
A police officer launched a series of insulting and homophobic remarks towards a male couple.

Reference:

Homophobic Remarks by Police in Costa Rica Under Investigation - Costa Rica Star News

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 woman by the last name of Madden was relaxing in Plaza de la Cultura, a major meeting point that is also a tourist attraction due to its proximity to various landmarks of Sans Jose. In a few social media updates, Ms. Madden explained that she witnessed...

Costa Rica Star News Jaime Lopez



#Costa Rica | «Ser mujer trans es difícil, tenemos las expectativas de vida más bajas en el mundo», activista trans Victoria Rovira

Interview with trans activist Victoria Rovira.

APRIL 01, 2020

2020 April 1

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”.

Reference:

#Costa Rica | «Ser mujer trans es difícil, tenemos las expectativas de vida más bajas en el mundo», activista trans Victoria Rovira

“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? ...

Diario Digital LGBTI El Diverso - Noticias de latinoamericana e hispana de LGBT, LGBTI, LGBTIQ, TLGB, LGBTQ en América LatinaA nunciante

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

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ALIANZA FRANCESA, BARRIO AMÓN

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

MARCH 03, 2020

2020 March 3

News article in Spanish.

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.

Reference:

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

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

"Y SI SE PONE DE MATONCITO LO QUEBRAMOS AHÍ EN EL CAJÓN", DICE VÍCTIMA QUE LE AMENAZABAN

Police officer breaks in half transwoman's Id document.

OCTOBER 30, 2019

2019 October 30

News article in Spanish.

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

Reference:

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

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San José, Mar 7 (elmundo.cr) - The commissioner of LGBTI Affairs of the Presidential House, Luis Salazar, dedicated a few words to the recent murder of a trans woman in Costa Rica.

The victim was María Paula Murillo Reyes, who was murdered on March 5 while working in the sex trade.

"Trans people walk a highly dangerous path since childhood: expulsion from their homes, school exclusion, sexual exploitation or trade, unemployment, street violence, daily discrimination to put simple examples are risk factors and exclusion that end with a project of life at a young age," Salazar added.



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Hallan muerta a Constanza, conocida como la "abuela de todas las travestis" y referente histórica del movimiento trans en Bogotá

La Defensoría del Pueblo pidió a la Fiscalía adelantar de manera

Murder of Maria Paula Murillo Reyes, age 35.

MARCH 05, 2019

2019 March 5

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

Link in English:

Remembering Our Dead - Maria Paula Murillo Reyes (5 Mar 2019)

Maria Paula Murillo Reyes was 35 and was murdered in San José, Costa Rica.

Remembering Our Dead



Trans victims of silence

June 19, 2018

Trans victims of silence.

JUNE 19, 2018

2018 June 19

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.

Reference:



Who killed Kenisha.

JUNE 19, 2018

2018 June 19

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."

Reference:

¿Quién Mató a Kenisha? • Semanario Universidad

Murió frente a un Estado que ni siquiera en sus últimos minutos de vida le reconoció su identidad. Tampoco después de su muerte.

Semanario Universidad Alfredo Gago

<http://www.tn8.tv/america-latina/428296-hallan-6-cuerpos-fosa-clandestina-exclusiva-zona-mexicana-acapulco/>

Report added: 1 Sep 2018. Last updated: 13 Jan 2021

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Murder of Kenisha, age 16.

AUGUST 15, 2017

2017 August 15

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

Link in English:

Remembering Our Dead - Kenicha (15 Aug 2017)

Kenicha was 16 and died from asphyxiation in Pococí, Limón, Costa Rica.

Remembering Our Dead

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

Report added: 18 Sep 2018. Last updated: 13 Jan 2021

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Murder of Michelle Fuentes Robles, age 30.

MARCH 03, 2016

2016 March 3

Michelle was killed at her home with multiple gunshot wounds.

Link in English:

Remembering Our Dead - Michelle Fuentes Robles (3 Mar 2016)

Michelle Fuentes Robles was 30 and was shot in Cartago, Costa Rica.

Remembering Our Dead

in the face, stabbed and then shot dead.

TvT partner organisation Centro de Apoyo a las Identidades Trans: Diario Extra Online.
14.05.2012

Report added: 1 Nov 2018. Last updated: 13 Jan 2021

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Murder, name unknown, age 30.

MAY 14, 2012

2012 May 14

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:

Remembering Our Dead - Name Unknown (14 May 2012)

Name Unknown was 30 and was shot in Alajuela, Costa Rica.

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Transphobia in Costa Rica

Keeping the memory alive.



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