Albany Damien Center

OCTOBER 2026

The Albany Damien Center's Drop-In Living Room hours are Monday-Friday from 8:00 a.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
GLOBAL DIVERSITY AWARENESS MONTH OCTOBER		LGBT HISTORY MONTH		1 **Pantry Bag Pickup: 12:00-1:15 PM** Community Training Room	2 **Center Open** International Day of Non-Violence	3 **Center Closed** **Twisted Sisters Women's NA Meeting** 5:00-6:30 PM Community Training Room
4 **Center Closed**	5 **Center Open**	6 **Health Education Class: 11:30 AM** **Topic: Comorbidities** Community Training Room	7 **Health Education Class: 12:30 PM** **Topic: Comorbidities** Community Training Room	8 **Pantry Bag Pickup: 12:00-1:15 PM** Community Training Room	9 **Center Open**	10 **Center Closed** **PAWS Pet Food Troy Deliveries: 10-1** **Twisted Sisters Women's NA Meeting** 5:00-6:30 PM Community Training Room
11 **Center Closed**	12 **Center Open**	13 **Center Open**	14 **Health Education Class: 1:00 PM** **Topic: Comorbidities** Community Training Room	15 **Pantry Bag Pickup: 12:00-1:15 PM** Community Training Room	16 **Health Education Class: 11:00 AM** **Topic: Comorbidities** Community Training Room	17 **Center Closed** **PAWS Pet Food Pick up 9-10 Albany Deliveries: 10-1** **Twisted Sisters Women's NA Meeting** 5:00-6:30 PM Community Training Room
18 **Center Closed**	19 **Center Open**	20 **Health Education Class: 1:00 PM** **Topic: Comorbidities** Zoom By Apt. Only	21 **Tenant Association Meeting 2pm** **Health Education Class: 10:30 AM** **Topic: Comorbidities** Community Training Room	22 **Pantry Bag Pickup: 12:00-1:15 PM** Community Training Room	23 **Center Open**	24 **Center Closed** **PAWS Pet Food Schenectady Deliveries: 10-1** **Twisted Sisters Women's NA Meeting** 5:00-6:30 PM Community Training Room
25 **Center Closed**	26 **Center Open**	27 **Center Open**	28 **Center Open**	29 **Pantry Bag Pickup: 12:00-1:15 PM** Community Training Room	30 **Center Open** **Halloween Costume Contest** 2 p.m. Damien Center Living Room	31 **Center Closed** **Twisted Sisters Women's NA Meeting** 5:00-6:30 PM Community Training Room

Pharmacy

The Madison Avenue Pharmacy is OPEN!
Your pharmacy, made easy – come in today and experience the difference!

Located at: The Albany Damien Center
728 Madison Ave, Suite B1
Albany, NY 12208-3302

Phone: (518) 971-8999

Open: Monday – Friday, 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM

Madison Avenue Pharmacy Offers:

- Personalized Medication Adherence Support – Your pharmacists are available for personalized and professional advice!
- Synchronized Refills – Get all your medications once a month, no more multiple trips to the pharmacy!
- Pill Packaging – We package your medications into daily AM/PM doses. Say goodbye to pill bottles!
- Free Delivery (or pick up at the Damien Center)
- Privacy – Keep your information and status safe with discreet ordering and medication deliveries.

Help the Damien Center! – By using one of our Contract Pharmacies, you help fund Smart Meals, PAWS, Housing, and our Living Room Activities!

Topic Groups

Twisted Sisters (NA) Women's Meeting: 10/3, 10/10, 10/17, 10/24 and 10/31 from 5:00-6:30 PM in the Community Training Room. Come join our women's group a space for connection, support, and real conversation.

The **ETE Steering Committee** is committed to uniting providers, consumers, and community organizations in a collaborative effort to End the AIDS Epidemic.

To get involved or join the group, please email: ETEAdminGroup@albanydamiencenter.org

EQUITY CENTER
A program of the Albany Damien Center

HIV, Hep-C, STI Testing: at the Equity Center (747 Madison Ave, Albany, NY 12208 Basement Level). No appointment required. Call 518-603-9172 for information.

10/1 & 10/15 10 am - 3 p.m.
10/28 - 4:00 - 7:00 p.m.

National PrEP Day is October 10

Calendar of Events

Health Education Classes: 10/6, 10/7, 10/14, 10/16, 10/20 and 10/21 in the Community Training Room, with a Zoom session available by appointment on 10/20. This month's topic focuses on learning about managing and optimizing long-term health.

Tenant Association Meeting: 10/21 at 2:00 PM in the Community Training room. Open to all tenants at the Madison Apartments!

We are Revolutionary Monthly Meeting: 10/1, 10/8, 10/15, 10/22 & 10/29 from 5:30-6:30 PM in the Community Training Room. to enhance your legal and political knowledge

Events At the Equity Center:

Game Nights: 10/5 & 10/26, 5-7 pm

Mini Health Fair with Guest Speaker, John, from Gilead, 10/19, 5-7pm

Trans Masc Skin Care Sessions: 10/9, 10/16 & 10/23 6-8:00 pm

Queer Craft Night (Halloween Themed)
10/26, 6 - 8 pm

Pets Are Wonderful Support

Pet Food Deliveries: 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Saturday, Oct.10st (Troy)
Saturday, Oct. 17th (Albany)
Saturday, Oct. 24th (Schenectady)

Pet Food Pickup: Saturday, October 17th

Damien Center Pick-ups - 9:00-10:00 AM
Deliveries: 10:00-1:00 PM

Contact Jeanie Vanier at 838-250-6633

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We're Here for YOU

You are not alone - Maybe you tested HIV+ very recently; maybe you've known if for some time but this is the first time you've reached out for information or support. The Albany Damien Center creates an environment where people can gather to share information, experiences, and make new friends - friends who understand what it is like to live with the disease.

There is no need for you to handle this by yourself. You are not the only person in our community facing this. Just hearing how someone else has adjusted to living with the virus can be enough to help you realize that life is still good, that you can still have love and laughter. **We are not alone and neither are you.**
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Phone: 518-449-7119
Open Hours: Monday-Friday
8:00 AM-6:30 PM

Mailing Address:
728 Madison Avenue, Suite 100
Albany, New York 12208
www.AlbanyDamienCenter.org

Handicap accessible & parking available

Drop-In Living Room: Open Monday through Friday from 8:00 AM- 6:30 PM. We offer comfortable sitting areas, a gym, computer room, and a supportive atmosphere!