Wednesday WeBelong Biweekly:

Identity: Nonbinary



Non-Binary:

Non-binary refers to a range of gender identities that aren't man or woman (i.e., the binary genders).

There is no singular way to identify with the label or its meaning—some non-binary people identify more closely with masculinity or femininity, with both or with neither.

The Stats:

50%

of trans and nonbinary employees have said they either hide or disguise their identity at work due to discrimination.

Human Rights Watch

31%

of non-binary
people have
experienced hate
crimes because of
their gender
identity.

Stonewall Trans Report

Non-Binary Myths:

Myth 1:

Non-binary is an "aesthetic."

Myth 2:

Non-binary always means "they/them" pronouns.

Myth 3:

Non-binary is a "trend."

Representation:

The reality is people don't have to "get it" to give non-binary individuals respect and understanding.

Acknowledging that non-binary people exist and supporting them is what's important.



Call to Action:

- Find ways to use gender-inclusive language-try using "y'all," "friends," or "everyone" when opening a meeting. Many people unintentionally use exclusive language but being more mindful about it can create a space of inclusion.
- Use "they" instead of "he or she."
- Follow at least one non-binary thought leader and share something new you learned!
- Mark International Non-Binary People's Day on your calendar for July 14, 2022.