DON'T JOIN THE MILITARY
WHY QUEER AND TRANS LIBERATION DOES NOT INCLUDE U.S. INVASION

Reminder: The history of Pride is rooted in trans women of color resisting police abuse. Pride started as a riot against the police for targeting, harassing, and killing queer and trans people, and people of color.

We are told the US military interrupts violence against women, children, and LGBT people in other countries. In reality, US troops bring more devastation and the women and LGBT people they claim to protect are caught in the crossfire of regime changes and deadly battles.

Recruiters are permitted to lie and tell people that they won't see combat because they are promised a non-combat job. If you are ordered to a war zone, you can't refuse to go.

The military advertises itself as a stepping stone to college. Among recruits who sign up for the Montgomery GI Bill, 65% get no money for college and only 15% ever get a college degree. And the few who can access that money only get a maximum of $37,224, requiring long-term military service.

Few job skills are transferable from military to civilian life and there is no guarantee of a job after service.

Health problems caused by being in combat are not always covered. Disabled veterans don’t necessarily get the care they need from the VA.

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WAR ALWAYS BRINGS MORE VIOLENCE, NEVER LIBERATION

QUEER/WOMXN/LGBT MEMBERS OF THE MILITARY ARE TREATED BADLY AND EXPLOITED

MILITARY BENEFITS ARE NOT GUARANTEED

SERVICE IN THE MILITARY CAUSES SEVERE HEALTH IMPACTS AND HIGH RATES OF SUICIDE