

**THIS COLORING BOOK PROJECT STARTED AS A CONVERSATION WITH THE WA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, LOOKING AT PROGRAMS THAT COULD REACH QUEER YOUNG PEOPLE ACROSS ALL OF WASHINGTON STATE.**

**AS QUEER YOUNG PEOPLE, WE ARE OFTEN IN SPACES THAT ARE QUEERPHOBIC AND TRANSPHOBIC, AND RACIST, WHICH LEADS US TO SEEK VARIOUS COPING MECHANISMS.**

**THIS COLORING BOOK PROJECT IS A WAY FOR US TO COMMUNICATE EMOTIONS, IDEAS, AND EXPERIENCES THAT OUR COMMUNITY SHARES AND DESIRES IN HEALING AND THRIVING.**

**THE HOPE IS THAT THIS COLORING BOOK IS A WAY FOR OUR COMMUNITY TO FEEL CONNECTED, TO RENEW OURSELVES, AND MOVE TOWARDS THE DREAMS WE HAVE FOR OURSELVES AND EACH OTHER**