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**Out Boulder's Transgender Day of Remembrance**

**BOULDER, CO.** – In the last two weeks, two transgender women have been targeted by horrific acts of violence. Last week, Ashley Sherman was found murdered in Indianapolis, and three days ago, Candice Milligan was taken to a hospital in Toledo after suffering multiple critical injuries. So far in 2014 almost 70 transgender people have been murdered for simply being transgender.

On Thursday, November 20, 2014 at 6:30pm transgender community members and their allies will meet at the Pridehouse and silently walk to the Courthouse on Pearl Street as commemoration of lives lost. Speakers in front of the Courthouse will include: Nicole Garcia, Miriam Schiff, Kyl Caragol and a representative from Jared Polis' Office. After remarks are made the group will silently walk to the First United Methodist Church's Labyrinth for a name reading ceremony.

"Transgender Day of Remembrance is a reminder that no matter how far the LGBTQ movement has (or is perceived to have) come, the people of the transgender community, and especially transgender women of color, are still literally fighting for our lives. This is a day that honors our fallen sisters and brothers and provides a chance for all of us -- transgender or otherwise -- to commit to ending the hatred, harassment, and violence directed towards transgender and gender non-conforming people both here in Boulder County and worldwide." Kyl Caragol

"As a transgender woman of color, my heart bleeds as I read the names of the Latinas who lost their lives by being true to themselves. Violence can only be halted by taking action against ignorance. We celebrate the lives of transgender individuals as valuable human beings. Our voices cry out to the world to say that their lives do matter and their deaths will not be in vain." Nicole Garcia

**About Out Boulder:**

Out Boulder educates, advocates and provides services for and on behalf of Boulder County's Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Queer communities. As a local grassroots organization, Out Boulder is called on every day for help, information, services, or to comment on issues that directly impact the lives of our community.

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