# IMPORTANCE OF FAMILY WELL-BEING

FOR EAST ASIAN LESBIAN, GAY, AND BISEXUAL YOUTH IN BC

FOR EAST ASIAN LESBIAN, GAY, AND BISEXUAL YOUTH IN BC THERE ARE UNIQUE STRESSES AND RISKS THAT CAN BE HARD TO COPE WITH ALONE.

**78%** 

HAVE BEEN **BULLIED OR HARRASSED** 

26%

HAVE USED DRUGS (OTHER THAN MARIJUANA) 26%

HAVE **SELF-HARMED**  24%

HAVE HAD SUICIDAL **THOUGHTS**  18%

HAVE **ATTEMPTED SUICIDE** 



3 OUT OF 5 EAST ASIAN LESBIAN, GAY, AND BISEXUAL YOUTH IN BC REPORT EXPERIENCING DISCRIMINATION IN THE PAST YEAR. 28% WERE DISCRIMINATED AGAINST BECAUSE OF THEIR SEXUAL ORIENTATION.

## PARENTS CAN HELP

Research shows that a supportive family who is accepting without judgement helps:

## REDUCE RISK

OF SUICIDAL THOUGHTS, SUICIDE ATTEMPTS, AND SELF-HARM

#### INCREASE SELF-ESTEEM

WITH HIGHER LIKELIHOOD OF FFFLING GOOD ABOUT THEMSELVES

### IMPROVE WELL-BEING

WITH LOWER STRESS AND FEWER MENTAL HEALTH CONCERNS

#### STRENGTHEN SUPPORT

WITH HIGHER LIKELIHOOD OF HAVING A TRUSTED ADULT TO TALK TO



## THE MAJORITY OF EAST ASIAN LESBIAN, GAY, AND BISEXUAL YOUTH IN BC:













