



**State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations  
Office of the Secretary of State**

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**Non-Profit Corporation  
Articles of Incorporation**

(Chapter 7-6-34 of the General Laws of Rhode Island, 1956, as amended)

**ARTICLE I**

The name of the corporation is Try Together

**ARTICLE II**

The period of its duration is  Perpetual

**ARTICLE III**

The specific purpose or purposes for which the corporation is organized are:

TRY TOGETHER IS ORGANIZED EXCLUSIVELY FOR CHARITABLE AND EDUCATIONAL PURPOSES WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 501(C)(3) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986 (OR THE CORRESPONDING PROVISION OF ANY FUTURE UNITED STATES INTERNAL REVENUE LAW AND REFERRED TO BELOW AS THE "CODE").

MORE SPECIFICALLY, THE CORPORATION IS ORGANIZED TO FURTHER THE SOCIAL WELFARE OF TRANSGENDER, GAY, LESBIAN, QUEER, AND BISEXUAL PEOPLE IMPACTED BY INCARCERATION THROUGH SOCIAL SERVICE PROGRAMS THAT ADVANCE THEIR EMPOWERMENT, EDUCATION, AND JOB READINESS.

TO ENGAGE IN ANY AND ALL ACTIVITIES AND PURSUITS, AND TO SUPPORT OR ASSIST SUCH OTHER ORGANIZATIONS, AS MAY BE REASONABLY RELATED TO THE FOREGOING AND FOLLOWING PURPOSES.

**ARTICLE IV**

Provisions, if any, not inconsistent with the law, which the incorporators elect to set forth in these articles of incorporation for the regulation of the internal affairs of the corporation are:

A. THE CORPORATION, BEING ORGANIZED EXCLUSIVELY FOR CHARITABLE, AND EDUCATIONAL PURPOSES, MAY MAKE DISTRIBUTIONS TO ORGANIZATIONS AND INDIVIDUALS IN FURTHERANCE OF ITS CORPORATE PURPOSES AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH §501(C)(3) OF THE CODE.

B. NO PART OF THE NET EARNINGS OF THE CORPORATION SHALL INURE TO THE

BENEFIT OF, OR BE DISTRIBUTABLE TO, ITS MEMBERS, DIRECTORS, OFFICERS, OR OTHER PRIVATE PERSONS, EXCEPT THAT THE CORPORATION SHALL BE AUTHORIZED AND EMPOWERED TO PAY REASONABLE COMPENSATION FOR SERVICES RENDERED AND TO MAKE PAYMENTS AND DISTRIBUTIONS IN FURTHERANCE OF THE PURPOSES SET FORTH IN ARTICLE 3 ABOVE.

C. NO SUBSTANTIAL PART OF THE ACTIVITIES OF THE CORPORATION SHALL BE THE CARRYING ON OF PROPAGANDA, OR OTHERWISE ATTEMPTING TO INFLUENCE LEGISLATION, AND THE CORPORATION SHALL NOT PARTICIPATE IN, OR INTERVENE IN (INCLUDING THE PUBLISHING OR DISTRIBUTION OF STATEMENTS CONCERNING), ANY POLITICAL CAMPAIGN ON BEHALF OF ANY CANDIDATE FOR PUBLIC OFFICE.

D. NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION OF THESE ARTICLES, THE CORPORATION SHALL NOT CARRY ON ANY OTHER ACTIVITIES NOT PERMITTED TO BE CARRIED ON (1) BY A CORPORATION EXEMPT FROM FEDERAL INCOME TAX UNDER §501(C)(3) OF THE CODE OR (2) BY A CORPORATION CONTRIBUTIONS TO WHICH ARE DEDUCTIBLE UNDER §170(C)(2) OF THE CODE.

E. UPON DISSOLUTION OF THE CORPORATION, THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS SHALL, AFTER PAYING OR MAKING PROVISION FOR THE PAYMENT OF ALL OF THE LIABILITIES OF THE CORPORATION, DISPOSE OF ALL OF THE ASSETS OF THE CORPORATION EXCLUSIVELY FOR THE PURPOSES OF THE CORPORATION IN SUCH MANNER, OR TO SUCH ORGANIZATION OR ORGANIZATIONS ORGANIZED AND OPERATED EXCLUSIVELY FOR CHARITABLE, EDUCATIONAL, RELIGIOUS, OR SCIENTIFIC PURPOSES AS SHALL AT THE TIME QUALIFY AS AN EXEMPT ORGANIZATION OR ORGANIZATIONS UNDER §501(C)(3) OF THE CODE, AS THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS SHALL DETERMINE. ANY SUCH ASSETS NOT SO DISPOSED OF SHALL BE DISPOSED OF BY THE APPROPRIATE COURT OF LAW OF THE COUNTY IN WHICH THE PRINCIPAL OFFICE OF THE CORPORATION IS THEN LOCATED, EXCLUSIVELY FOR SUCH PURPOSES OR TO SUCH ORGANIZATION OR ORGANIZATIONS, AS SAID COURT SHALL DETERMINE, THAT ARE ORGANIZED AND OPERATED EXCLUSIVELY FOR EXEMPT PURPOSES.

#### ARTICLE V

The street address (post office boxes are not acceptable) of the initial registered office of the corporation is:

No. and Street: 10 DORRANCE STREET  
SUITE 700

City or Town: PROVIDENCE

State: RI

Zip: 02903

The name of its initial registered agent at such address is

TANVI SHETH

#### ARTICLE VI

The number of directors constituting the initial Board of Directors of the Corporation is 3

and the names and addresses of the persons who are to serve as the initial directors are:

<b>Title</b>	<b>Individual Name</b> First, Middle, Last, Suffix	<b>Address</b> Address, City or Town, State, Zip Code, Country
DIRECTOR	JOSE L FRANKLIN	125 CHARLES STREET, UNIT 6 PROVIDENCE, RI 02904 USA
DIRECTOR	LATRICE L FRANKLIN	4850 DRIFTING PEBBLE STREET NORTH LAS VEGAS, NV 89081 USA
DIRECTOR	TANVI KAUSHAL SHETH	9238 NORMANDY AVENUE MORTON GROVE, IL 60053 USA

#### ARTICLE VII

The name and address of the incorporator is:

<b>Title</b>	<b>Individual Name</b> First, Middle, Last, Suffix	<b>Address</b> Address, City or Town, State, Zip Code, Country
INCORPORATOR	JOSE L FRANKLIN	125 CHARLES STREET, UNIT 6 PROVIDENCE, RI 02904 USA
INCORPORATOR	LATRICE L FRANKLIN	4850 DRIFTING PEBBLE STREET NORTH LAS VEGAS, NV 89081 USA
INCORPORATOR	TANVI KAUSHAL SHETH	9238 NORMANDY AVENUE MORTON GROVE, IL 60053 USA

#### ARTICLE VIII

Date when corporate existence is to begin 04/25/2018

(not prior to, nor more than 30 days after, the filing of these Articles of Incorporation)

**Signed this 25 Day of April, 2018 at 12:49:08 PM by the incorporator(s).** *This electronic signature of the individual or individuals signing this instrument constitutes the affirmation or acknowledgement of the signatory, under penalties of perjury, that this instrument is that individual's act and deed or the act and deed of the corporation, and that the facts stated herein are true, as of the date of the electronic filing, in compliance with R.I. Gen. Laws § 7-6.*

**Enter signature(s) below.**

JOSE L. FRANKLIN

LATRICE L. FRANKLIN

TANVI KAUSHAL SHETH

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