

# Billings is Ready

## **Media Advisory**

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### **Community gathers to show city leaders it's time to end legal discrimination**

BILLINGS, MT — Now is the time. Not a decade from now. Not when those who want to discriminate decide they are ok with people who are different from them. The time to protect people from discrimination is when it is happening. That time for lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender people in Billings, unfortunately, is now.

Week after week opponents of the Billings nondiscrimination ordinance displayed in City Council Chambers just how pervasive discrimination against LGBT people is in our town. Now is the time to put it to an end, and we won't rest until the Billings City Council understands this.

The community will be rallying for equality, dignity and respect, Monday, August 18 from 5-7 p.m. at First Congregational Church. We invite everyone who values a fair and welcoming community to attend and learn how they can stay engaged in working for a Billings nondiscrimination ordinance.

The event will also feature live music and fun for all ages.

Billings needs and deserves a nondiscrimination ordinance. A community where everyone feels safe and welcome is a strong community.

- WHAT:** Billings is Ready Rally
- WHO:** Supporters of fairness for all
- WHEN:** Monday, August 18, 2014  
5-7 p.m.
- WHERE:** First Congregational Church  
310 N. 27th  
Billings