



# YOUTUBE PODCAST: QUEENS OF QUEENS

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## Episode 1: Lorena Borjas

**[INTRO GRAPHICS: Colorful animation featuring LGBTQI+ symbols and the title “Queens of Queens” appears on screen.]**

**[INTRO MUSIC: Uplifting and inspiring music fades in.]**

**NARRATOR (Voice Over):**

*Welcome to “Voices of Change,” where we spotlight the pioneers of social justice and community advocacy. Today, we delve into the life and legacy of Lorena Borjas, a fearless advocate for the LGBTQI2+ community in Queens, New York.*

**[CUT TO: Images of Lorena Borjas, smiling and engaging with community members.]**

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**[SCENE 1: BACKGROUND ON LORENA BORJAS]**

**[Visuals: Archival photos and video clips of Lorena in community events, showing her interactions with people.]**

**NARRATOR:**

*In 2008, Lorena Borjas, a Mexican diva with a heart for justice, founded the Community Fund. Her vision? To provide bail assistance and a safe haven for LGBTQI2+ defendants, many of whom faced systemic discrimination within the legal system.*

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**[SCENE 2: THE COMMUNITY FUND]**

**[Visuals: Graphics showing the mission statement of the Community Fund and statistics about LGBTQI2+ incarceration rates.]**

**NARRATOR:**

*The Community Fund was more than just financial assistance; it was a lifeline for those*

*caught in a web of injustice. With many individuals unable to afford bail, Lorena ensured that no one had to face the legal system alone, paving the way for fair treatment and dignity.*

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**[SCENE 3: TRANSITION TO INTERCULTURAL TRANSGREDIENDO]**

**[Visuals: Photos of Lorena at events for Intercultural TRANSgrediendo, including rallies and community meetings.]**

**NARRATOR:**

*In 2015, Lorena took her advocacy to the next level by becoming the vice president of Intercultural TRANSgrediendo, or CIT—the first community organization specifically for Transgender and Gender Non-Binary individuals in Queens.*

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**[SCENE 4: SIGNIFICANCE OF CIT]**

**[Visuals: Animated infographic explaining the mission of CIT and the services they provide.]**

**NARRATOR:**

*CIT serves as a vital resource, offering support, education, and advocacy for TransGNB and LGBTQI individuals. Under Lorena's leadership, CIT has become a beacon of hope, fostering community solidarity and empowering marginalized voices.*

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**[SCENE 5: IMPACT ON THE COMMUNITY]**

**[Visuals: Clips of community members sharing their stories, expressing gratitude to Lorena and CIT.]**

**NARRATOR:**

*Lorena's impact extends beyond advocacy; she has created a culture of acceptance and support. Many community members have shared how her work has transformed their lives, providing not just assistance, but a sense of belonging.*

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**[SCENE 6: LORENA'S LEGACY]**

**[Visuals: Collage of newspaper headlines and awards recognizing Lorena's contributions, ending with a portrait of her.]**

**NARRATOR:**

*Lorena Borjas is not just an activist; she is a symbol of resilience and love. Her legacy*

*continues to inspire countless individuals and organizations, reminding us all that one person can indeed make a difference.*

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**[OUTRO: CALL TO ACTION]**

**[Visuals: Footage of community events and people coming together in support of LGBTQI rights.]**

**NARRATOR:**

*Join us in honoring Lorena's incredible work by supporting organizations like the Community Fund and Intercultural TRANSgrediendo. Together, we can continue the fight for justice and equality for all.*

**[CUT TO: Text on screen with links to relevant organizations, resources, and ways to support.]**

**NARRATOR:**

*If you enjoyed this episode, please like, subscribe, and share your thoughts in the comments below. Let's keep the conversation going about the heroes in our communities.*

**[OUTRO MUSIC: Uplifting music fades out as the video ends with a final image of Lorena smiling with her community.]**