

# NAOMI VASSOR

In her own words



## How have things changed for Transgender people in your experience?

Society is much better now and things have gotten better for us because we have a lot of opportunities that we didn't have when I was coming up. Now things are starting to lighten up for us, society is starting to accept us for who we are, as transgender people, as whoever you want to call yourself, whoever you want to be. Life is what you make it and you have to be the best at what you do and just keep doing whatever you have to do to stay safe from a lot of negative things.



## What do you believe is your gift to the world?

I have grown so much and I have tried to help other people as well as myself, and try to show love in whatever I do. We all need love; all we need is love. I try so hard to work with a lot of people who are in the same situation that I am. I like to help other people as well as myself. I love to travel, I love nice things, I want to be a better person, I want to be able to live healthy, to be able to eat healthy, to help other people who are transgender. Or help people in general. Just being able to show love towards people, because we all need love.



## Can you tell us about a positive transformative moment in your life?

I was so happy to have my surgery done. I felt completed, I did not have to be ashamed of myself anymore. I felt complete as a woman, as I always wanted. When I found out that they were doing the surgery, I was so excited, I couldn't wait to have it done. Afterwards, it took a load off of me; the judgments and making fun of me. A lot of doors have opened for me, to be the woman I want to be. I can use the bathroom like I'm supposed to without being judged or discriminated against. I was happy to have my surgery done, and I just kept going and going and I couldn't stop until I was complete. When I was coming up I didn't have this chance to get myself together like this.



“ I'm hoping somebody could put me in the TV show 'Pose.' ”

## TV Show

### Where do you see yourself in five years?

My dream is to be on the TV screen, to make it in Hollywood. My dream is to have my own company, my own TV show, my own documentary show. I would love to do a lot of television, comedy, and I would like to live someplace better than where I'm living now; my living conditions are not great. I would love to help others along the way. My dream is to stay positive, to stay strong, and to believe that I can make it.

TRANS VISIBILITY

Naomi is a member of Amida Care.