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Student Volunteer Guide



Volunteer Eligibility Guidelines

The volunteer program is designed to educate and raise awareness for organizations that are serving the LGBT community. As you log hours with each of our community partners you will be eligible for payments to be sent to your preexisting student loans.

To be eligible for the program the following criteria must be met:

- You must have a student loan balance.
- You must be able to fulfill the 50 hour minimum with one or each of our community partners.
- You must identify as LGBT or an Ally.

A graphic of a pink, crumpled paper sign with white text. The text "VOLUNTEERS" is in a casual, handwritten font, while "NEEDED!" is in a large, bold, blocky font with a hatched texture. The sign is set against a background of teal and yellow.



Proud Scholars

By participating in the program we will help you improve your future, maintain your engagement in the community and help the community at large cover their volunteer needs and supplement their programs. For the student loan payment program certain restrictions apply and is only active while funds are available.

Proud Scholars is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization run entirely by volunteers. We have opportunities that range from two year terms to single event needs. Below are some of the areas that we are filling:

- Board of Director understudies
- Event planning and implementation
- Educational outreach, public speaking, career fairs.
- Community social events like Pride festivals
- Partnership community networking (Columbus, Dayton, Indianapolis, Louisville, Lexington and Cleveland)
- Professional services
- Data management
- Grant writers
- Mentors (professional and social)

Proud Scholars is the newest organization in the community and has a wide variety of service needs. In addition to volunteering for us, students and parents can also volunteer for the following community partners that share our passion for supporting LGBT students and their families. As our program develops we will build a process to log hours with all of our community partners to ensure that student needs are covered.

Please visit us at www.proudscholars.org/volunteer-opportunities for more information.



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Volunteer Opportunities

PFLAG Cincinnati is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization run entirely by volunteers. Opportunities include

- Serving on the Board as an officer or at-large member
- Serving on committees such as the scholarship or program committee
- Working on advocacy issues
- Speaking for classes, forums, panels
- Working at booths or information tables at events such as Pride, Youth Summit, Black Family Reunion, school events, PTA meetings
- Managing and updating the library
- Updating the literature supply
- Correspondence
- Fund-raising for scholarships and other needs
- Providing refreshment at meetings
- Answering the hotline
- Organizing special events such as bringing in a speaker or hosting a film showing
- Developing outreach
- Working with the press and media

PFLAG needs you!

Contact the

PFLAG Cincinnati Hotline

by calling 211 or 513-721-7900 and asking for the PFLAG contact number.

Or email info@pflagcinci.org



SAFE AND SUPPORTED

A Project of Lighthouse Youth & Family Services

You can help prevent and end LGBTQ youth homelessness by volunteering with Safe and Supported, a project of Lighthouse Youth Services. Safe and Supported has both volunteer and internship opportunities available.

Interested in group projects for a class or student group?

- Organize a drive for travel size toiletry products, snack items or menstrual hygiene products. These items are distributed directly to homeless youth through our drop in center and Street Outreach team.
- Make fleece blankets
- Sort and pack donations in our warehouse
- Prepare or donate a meal for our shelter

Interested in individual projects?

- Join our Steering Committee or a Subcommittee
- Volunteer at an event
- Join us as an intern

Safe and Supported is also able to visit your student organization or class to give a presentation on LGBTQ youth homelessness and the work happening in Hamilton County to end LGBTQ youth homelessness.

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GREATER CINCINNATI

Volunteer with GLSEN Greater Cincinnati in our mission to create safe schools for all! At GLSEN, we want every student, in every school, to be valued and treated with respect, regardless of their sexual orientation, gender identity or gender expression. We believe that all students deserve a safe and affirming school environment where they can learn and grow.

All ages are welcome, and no experience in the field of education is necessary. Visit our website at www.glsencincinnati.org and find information about volunteering with GLSEN of Greater Cincinnati under the 'Get Involved' tab.

Choose the volunteer position that is right for you and fits your availability. From Board level to helping table at events and educate others on creating safe schools for all youth, we have a spot for you. Join us at Pride or help out with our yearly Prom. Volunteering with GLSEN is both rewarding and FUN!

Volunteer opportunities are available as Leaders, Facilitators, Advocates and Supporters. Sign up to get involved in areas such as:

- Board Members
- Fundraising
- Communications
- Community Engagement
- School Engagement
- Diversity Outreach
- Resource Management
- Prom & Soirée
- Youth Summit
- Hosting
- And MUCH more!!!

For more information, please visit glsencincinnati.org, or contact us:

GLSEN Greater Cincinnati
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866.934.9119
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Cincinnati OH 45219

Love Must Win formed to help spread Love and acceptance to all people by providing a safe haven for all.

We provide a Safe Haven once a month (the last Friday of each month) at the Children's Home of Northern Kentucky. We bring in an expert guest speaker to talk about different issues that youth, young adults, and adults come into contact with. Topics ranging from homeless outreach, drug addiction, codependent relationships, how to spread positivity within the community, loving yourself in your skin, and transgender awareness. There's always free food and free raffles and of course the event itself is always free! Come as you are, be you!!

We provide life-coaching and mentoring. We want to talk to you, your friends, and your family and help plant the seeds of love and acceptance. We have experts on topics ranging from coming out assistance for LGBTQ youth and adults, to drug and alcohol abuse, sexual abuse, to general life issues.

We provide liaison services to other organizations in the area. Come to us with any issue ranging from fostering children to finding the right therapist that fits your life. When we personally can't help you we know the people that can!

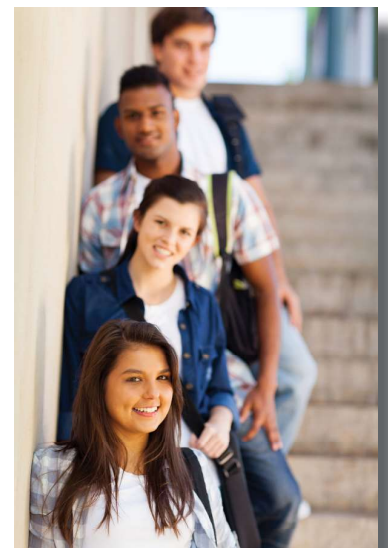
We provide workshops, seminars, and assemblies for various topics for K-12, colleges/universities and other organizations. All presentations are delivered in an upbeat and positive manner and have an overarching theme of love and acceptance of ALL.

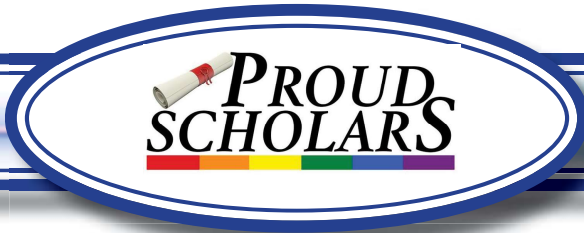


Volunteer and help us help others.
Contact info:

859-903-LGBT (5428)
Questions@lovemustwin.org
www.lovemustwin.org

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Twitter, and Instagram





Volunteer Reimbursement Application
Please Print or type all information

Name _____ Date _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Email: _____

School Year Freshman Sophomore Junior Senior Advanced Degree Currently Enrolled Yes No

School or Loan Holder: _____

Payment Address: _____

Account Number: _____

Student Loan Holder: Sallie Mae Navient Private Lender Amount Student Loan Owed: _____

Limitations apply:

- This program will be active while funding is available.
- Applicants must have a current balance in student loans.
- Applications must be able to fulfill the hourly requirements for reimbursement.
- If the hours accrued are not validated by the community partner hours will not be applied.
- Volunteer assignments will be assigned by the community partner depending on needs.
- Inappropriate or unethical conduct while representing Proud Scholars will void applicant's eligibility in the program.
- Proud Scholars is not responsible for accounting errors by the loan holder.

As part of this application, I _____ understand that I will have to volunteer with Proud Scholars, Safe & Supported, GLSEN, PFLAG, or Love Must Win and accrue 50 hours in volunteer work. Once the hours are signed for, a \$250 payment will be applied to my preexisting student loans.

Every volunteer should understand the importance of responsible conduct when working in the community. Our Code governs all our decisions and actions, whether in schools, businesses, or in the boardroom. This code of conduct applies to board members, understudies, and volunteers that are representing our organization. The ultimate responsibility for following our Code and for maintaining our ethical excellence rests with each one of us individually.

Signature _____ Date _____



Photograph & Video Release Form

I hereby grant permission to the rights of my image, likeness and sound of my voice as recorded on audio or video tape without payment or any other consideration. I understand that my image may be edited, copied, exhibited, published or distributed and waive the right to inspect or approve the finished product wherein my likeness appears. Additionally, I waive any right to royalties or other compensation arising or related to the use of my image or recording. I also understand that this material may be used in diverse educational settings within an unrestricted geographic area.

Photographic, audio or video recordings may be used for the following purposes:

- Conference presentations
- Educational presentations or courses
- Informational and web based presentations
- On-line educational courses
- Educational videos

By signing this release I understand this permission signifies that photographic or video recordings of me may be electronically displayed via the Internet or in the public educational setting.

I will be consulted about the use of the photographs or video recording for any purpose other than those listed above.

There is no time limit on the validity of this release nor is there any geographic limitation on where these materials may be distributed.

This release applies to photographic, audio or video recordings collected as part of the sessions listed on this document only.

By signing this form I acknowledge that I have completely read and fully understand the above release and agree to be bound thereby. I hereby release any and all claims against any person or organization utilizing this material for educational purposes.

Full Name _____

Street Address _____

City _____ Zip Code _____

Email _____

Signature _____ Date _____



In order to fulfill the requirements for reimbursement you will need to volunteer for the following organizations:



info@proudscholars.org

Mission: Provide educational services to LGBT students and their families.

Opportunities: Monthly and yearly events and special projects.



info@glscincinnati.org

Mission: To support students when they experience bullying or social injustice.

Opportunities: Monthly and yearly events and special projects.



info@pflagcinci.org

Mission: Provide social support and scholarships to LGBT students and families.

Opportunities: Monthly and yearly events and special projects.



Ryan.Allen@lovemustwin.org

Mission: Provide a platform for social networking and reinforce the importance of diversity.

Opportunities: Monthly and yearly events and special projects.



[Melissa Meyer mmeyer@lys.org](mailto:Melissa.Meyer@lys.org)

Mission: To provide housing and support for LGBT youth.

Opportunities: Yearly events and special projects.

Each contact above will outline volunteer opportunities with their organizations. Once you commit to volunteering each coordinator will assign tasks based on the event needs.

The objective of this program is not only to help you pay for existing student loans but to also learn about organizations that are changing the face of the community with positive reinforcement and support from every angle.

Once your hours have accumulated please sign the completed form and either send us a hard copy or scan and keep for your records. Send hard copies to the following address for reimbursements. Each volunteer is responsible for validating that the payment has been made correctly. If errors have occurred notification must occur as soon as possible so that we can rectify the error.

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