

## PFLAG Cincinnati Celebrates 25 Years 1985 - 2010



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Dear Friends of PFLAG,

PFLAG Cincinnati is one of 500 chapters across the nation working to bring about positive change for GLBT individuals, their families, and friends. We promote the health and well-being of gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender persons through **support**, to cope with an adverse society, **education**, to enlighten an ill-informed public, and **advocacy**, to end discrimination and secure civil rights. Here are some highlights of the chapter's recent accomplishments.

### Advocacy

Participated in panel discussions for a large group of high school students and at the Cincinnati-Hamilton County Police Cadet Academy.

Arranged for a presentation to the US District Court staff on Don't Ask, Don't Tell by a PFLAG leader.

Alerted members and supporters of important issues, with information on how to contact local, state and federal officials.

### Education

Awarded three \$2,500 scholarships to deserving students who help to fulfill the PFLAG mission.

Offered informative programs at our monthly meetings on topics such as transgender, GLBT safety issues, bullying in schools, the coming out process for parent and child, and gay role models in our community.

Shared the PFLAG message in university classes at NKU, UC and XU and at business diversity events such as at Duke Energy and MedPlus.

### Support

Maintained our phone and e-mail help-line for people needing assistance with coming out or other GLBT-related issues.

Offered support groups with trained peer facilitators at monthly meetings.

Participated in Cincinnati PRIDE and the AIDS Walk/Paul Delph Team.

*When folks leave our monthly meeting they have the knowledge that they are not alone. They can borrow helpful books, movies, and literature from our library. In endeavoring to change lives by opening hearts and filling minds with good information, we make lasting friendships and help eradicate ignorance and prejudice. Your membership is essential in allowing the good work of PFLAG to continue.*

***Please take the time to start or renew your membership today!***

Sincerely,

Michael Cotrell  
President, PFLAG Cincinnati