

# Scholarship Opportunities

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To: High School Guidance and Student Group Advisors

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True Colors, Inc. Sexual Minority Youth and Family Services of  
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RE: 2010 Scholarships and Grants

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Three of Connecticut's premier human rights organizations are delighted to announce that they will once again be offering scholarships to students who are members of, or allies to, the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender or Intersex communities. Together, our organizations will award a minimum of \$2,500 to Connecticut students who are pursuing higher education.

Scholarship sponsors include: The Hartford Chapter of Parents, Families and Friends of Lesbians and Gays (PFLAG); Hartford Gay & Lesbian Health Collective (HGLHC), and True Colors, Inc. Sexual Minority Youth and Family Services.

Enclosed please find a brief description of each organization, the dollar amount of scholarships being offered, and a copy of each application.

Additional information may be obtained by contacting any of the participating groups directly via the telephone numbers or email/websites above.

We hope that a deserving student from your school will be the next proud recipient of an award. Please help make the first years of continuing education easier and more affordable by providing copies of these applications to all eligible and interested students.

**The Hartford Gay & Lesbian Health Collective (HGLHC) (860) 278-4163 [www.hglhc.org](http://www.hglhc.org)**

HGLHC is nonprofit agency that provides health, health-related, mental health, education and outreach programs to over 5,000 people each year. HGLHC exists primarily to serve the health needs of the lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and questioning community, although all services are provided regardless of sexual orientation and/or gender identity. Two \$500 scholarships are available to Connecticut residents who identify as LGBTQ, a member of an LGBTQ household or an ally of the LGBTQ community. Applicants must be enrolled in a bachelor or associate degree program in Fall 2007.

**Parents, Families and Friends of Lesbians and Gays (PFLAG) (860) 633-5111 [HfdPflag@aol.com](mailto:HfdPflag@aol.com)**

PFLAG is a national non-profit organization with a membership of over 77,000 households and more than 425 affiliates worldwide. It promotes the health and well-being of gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender persons, their families and friends through support to cope with an adverse society, education to enlighten an ill-informed public, and advocacy to end discrimination and to secure equal civil rights. Parents, Families and Friends of Lesbians and Gays provides opportunity for dialogue about sexual orientation and gender identity, and acts to create a society that is healthy and respectful of human diversity. At least \$2,000.00 scholarship money will be awarded jointly by PFLAG and True Colors. Additional scholarships or amounts of the scholarships may be awarded based on funding available at the time of awards.

**True Colors, Inc. Sexual Minority Youth & Family Services (860) 232-0050 [www.OurTrueColors.org](http://www.OurTrueColors.org)**

True Colors works to create a world where youth, adults and families of all sexual orientations and gender identities are valued and affirmed. We challenge all forms of oppression through education, training, advocacy, youth leadership development, mentoring and direct services to youth and those responsible for their well-being. . We accomplish our mission by providing a full range of workshops, education and training programs that challenge schools, agencies, and other organizations to recognize and meet the needs of their LGBTI constituents. In addition, we organize an Annual Conference (the largest LGBTI youth issues conference in the country; Provide Connecticut's only LGBTQI mentoring program; Offer youth leadership development; Support programming for LGBT parents and their children; and Conduct advocacy work with legislators, policy makers, and others who are responsible for the health and well-being of individuals, families and society.