

Grant & Sponsorship Program

INTRODUCTION

embrace WNY provides annual funding opportunities for **grants** and **sponsorships** to LGBT/Allies individuals, groups, and organizations that share in the tenets of our mission by working towards full acceptance of the LGBT community.

GRANT: An award to support an existing organization or group

example In 2008 a grant was approved to the Madeline Davis LGBT Archives for the purpose of continuing the preservation of local LGBT historical documents and artifacts.

SPONSORSHIP: To support a specific activity, project, or event (not necessarily connected to an existing organization)

example In 2008 the Board unanimously approved a sponsorship towards the cost associated with an educational, socially relevant, and timely endeavor. **embrace WNY** was able to assist in the funding for 30 local LGBT/Straight youth to attend 'Equality & Justice Day' in Albany.

APPLICATION PROCESS

Applications can be downloaded at **embrace WNY.org**. All applications will be reviewed by a selection committee comprised of the Board of **embrace WNY** and others from the Western New York area utilizing a guidelines rating sheet to appropriately award funding. You may be asked to make a brief presentation of your request to the board of directors before being awarded. Completed applications will be reviewed throughout the year.

Funding will be awarded as indicated on Proposal for Funding Form. It is generally awarded upon completion of project (Grants) or event (Sponsorships). If funding award is needed sooner please indicate this on the application.

Grant and Sponsorship awards will be celebrated at the annual Buffalo Brunch.

Please contact **embrace WNY** for additional information.

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Proposal for Funding Application

Please check category of application: GRANT SPONSORSHIP

Name(s) of Applicant(s): _____

Contact Person: _____

Name of Organization: _____

Position in Organization: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Name of project for grant/sponsorship: _____

Please elaborate on the **following areas** regarding this proposal (two pages maximum):

- 1:** Description of organization (if applicable)
- 2:** Outline of project, activity, or event
- 3:** Outline expected financial costs
- 4:** How will funding impact and improve individuals and the community?

Please feel free to share any other information that the selection committee may find useful.

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