

# GSA Mini-Grant Program 2025/26 Application Guide

PFLAG Portland's GSA Mini-Grant Program helps strengthen-Genders and Sexualities Alliances (GSAs) through the distribution of small grant awards. Empowering LGBTQ+ youth to realize their dreams is what PFLAG is all about!

## **Grant Awards:**

Mini-Grant awards will be limited to \$250.00 per organization per year. The 2025-26 program anticipates making 10-12 awards.

# General Eligibility Requirements for the 2025-2026 Grant Cycle:

- PFLAG's Mini-Grant Program funds small projects sponsored by Genders and Sexualities Alliances (GSAs) or other non-profit, youth-directed organizations.
- The project must be planned, directed and implemented by youth.
- GSAs must have a school or organizational sponsor to receive funds. Sponsors
  may include a school's student fund or Parent/Teacher Organizations. By law we
  can only grant to non-profit organizations.
- The GSA or youth-led organization must operate in Multnomah, Clackamas or Washington county.
- GSAs or youth-led organizations operating in the Portland Public Schools district are encouraged to seek alternative funding (PPS already provides support to GSAs in their schools).
- Projects must be completed during the school year. Funds awarded for the 2025-26 grant cycle must be used during the 2025-26 school year.
- Awardees are required to complete a follow-up form once their project is done.

# **Project Focus:**

We support projects that increase the visibility of LGBTQ+ youth in schools and the broader community.

We are especially interested in awarding grants that build partnerships between school clubs, or between school clubs and community organizations.

Here are some examples:

- A GSA and the Black Student Union club sponsoring a school-wide Day of Service project.
- A GSA and the school's Amnesty International club sponsoring a day of silence event to draw awareness to the plight of LGBTQ+ youth in less tolerant countries.
- A GSA collaborating with the Multnomah Youth Commission to make an antibullying video for the school's use (Go to <a href="http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=A5ztzmillo0">http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=A5ztzmillo0</a> to be inspired by Roosevelt High School).

Whatever your project, please apply! We will consider every application that we receive.

## **Submission Process:**

- 1. Download the 2025/26 Mini-Grant Application form from our website.
- 2. Fill out and email the completed form to <a href="mailto:grants@pflagpdx.org">grants@pflagpdx.org</a>. Include "2025-2026 mini-grant application" in the subject line of your message.

You may also print out the application form, complete it by hand, and mail it to:

PFLAG Portland GSA Mini-Grants PO Box 12361 Portland, OR 97212

The application window will open on Wednesday, December 3rd, 2025. Applications must be received by Friday, January 31st, 2026.

We strongly recommend that you email rather than mail your application for the best service.

## **Approval Process:**

The PFLAG Portland Board of Directors will review mini-grant applications as they are received. Organizations will be notified of the approval or denial of an application on or before February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2026. Applications will be accepted for review until program funds are exhausted. Granting decisions are at the sole discretion of PFLAG Portland without consideration of order of receipt or other external factors. Program status will be posted to our website.

# Use of Logo:

If you are awarded a grant, in addition to completing our evaluation form, we will provide and ask that you include our PFLAG logos in any printed materials you design.

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