

PFLAG



WOODSTOCK, VA



LEADING WITH LOVE

Annual Membership Meeting
2024-2025

October 2nd, 2025

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About PFLAG

PFLAG National

Founded in 1973 by a mother and her gay son, PFLAG was born from the unified front of a family leading with love. An inspiring alliance of LGBTQ+ people and their loved ones continues to fuel PFLAG, fifty years later.

PFLAG's network of over 360 chapters and more than 550,000 members and supporters are helping create an equitable and inclusive world where every LGBTQ+ person is safe, celebrated, empowered, and loved.

PFLAG Woodstock VA

is a 5013c and we began in May 2022 and our journey, here in the beautiful Shenandoah Valley, continues to Lead With Love by providing support, advocacy and education in our community.

We are glad you are here with us and we hope to grow this chapter into a much larger force in the coming years to let this community know that they are supported, empowered and loved too!

INCLUSIVITY

GROWTH

COMMUNITY

COLLABORATION

BRAVERY

BELONGING

ACCOUNTABILITY

PFLAG is creating a caring, just, and affirming world for LGBTQ+ people and those who love them.

Why Become a Member?



Benefits of PFLAG Woodstock, VA

Membership to PFLAG Woodstock, VA includes:

- Connections at support meetings from other parents, LGBTQ+ people and allies in our community. Our support meetings are the first Sunday of every month at First Bank in Woodstock from 2:00-4:00
- Being part of a team that educates our community through Safe Zone Trainings.
- Opportunities to engage regularly with other folks and organizations in our community such as other non-profits
- Monthly newsletters to keep you informed about us!
- Ability to vote in board elections + eligibility for board membership. Our membership meetings will be annually in September.
- Your membership dollars support PFLAG Woodstock being a presence in the community for everyone that comes next. Whether it be future parents, LGBTQ+ people and families who need support, or other organizations that will benefit from PFLAG's presence and education, keeping PFLAG active and funded is critical.
- **Automatic membership in PFLAG National which provides**
 - **Regular "Take Action" advocacy alerts in your state.**
 - **Exclusive invitations and discounted tickets to events throughout the year.**
 - **Access to members-only PFLAG Academy Online learning sessions and resources.**
 - **Special member rate for PFLAG National Conventions.**
 - **Annual Subscription to the PFLAG Banner Newsletter.**
- **\$50 Annual**
- Complimentary membership available upon request



Treasurer's Report/Financial Statement



2024-2025 PFLAG Bank Summary	
Ending balance September 30, 2025	\$6,565.57
beginning balance October 1, 2025	\$7,134.18
Net Change (FY 2025)–\$568.61Represents the deficit for the year:	

Campaigns as of October 1, 2025			
Campaign Name			
Feeding Families in Shenandoah County		Used some of this money for the GAP Picnic in August	\$1175
2025 Convention in Chicago 2 persons	Estimated costs \$2100.00	we've raised	\$200
General Donations 2024-2025			\$4,166
Memberships 2023-2024=43 2024-2025=33	43 memberships last year= \$645.00	33 memberships this year= \$495	Pay to Nat'l \$495
Self Defense Class			\$65
Lotus Giveaway Gift Card			\$53
Chamber yearly Membership		\$150	
Officer's & Director's Insurance with Founder's Shield yearly		\$625	

Treasurer's Report/Financial Statement

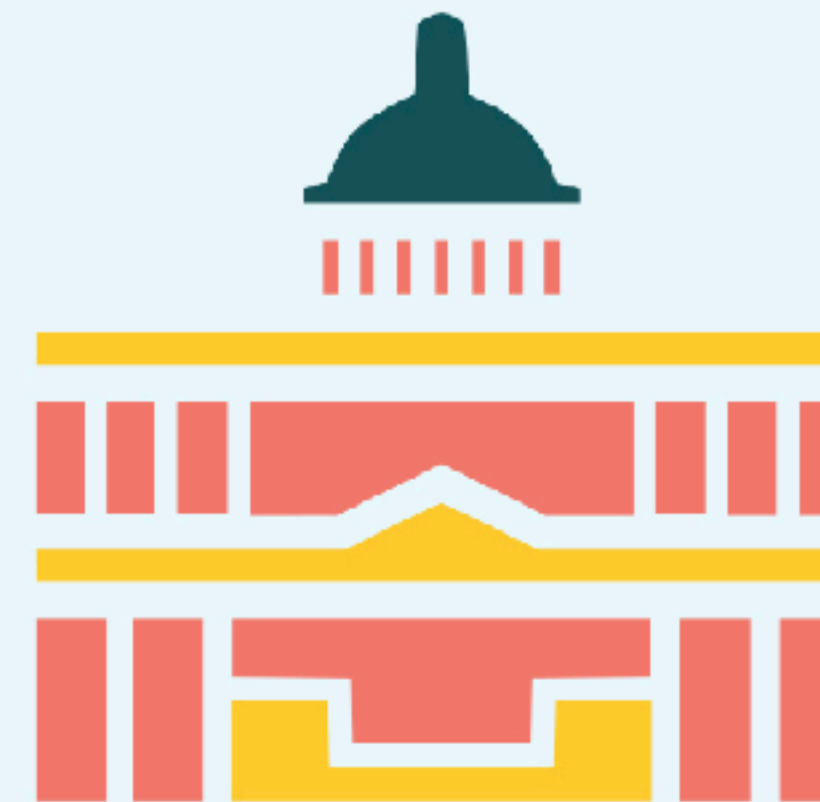
Future Funding Needs	
The conventions are every 2 years.	\$3000
Resource Booklets couple of times a year	\$300
Bling to give away at events	\$1000
Christmas Parade Candy	\$300
Printing	\$300
Misc.	\$500
TOTAL	\$5,400

◆ **PFLAG National pays for:
our Zoom and our
Website**

◆ **Givebutter is FREE!**

◆ **We pay a yearly
membership to the
Shenandoah County
Chamber of Commerce**

◆ **We purchase an ad in the
Chamber's publication
each year**



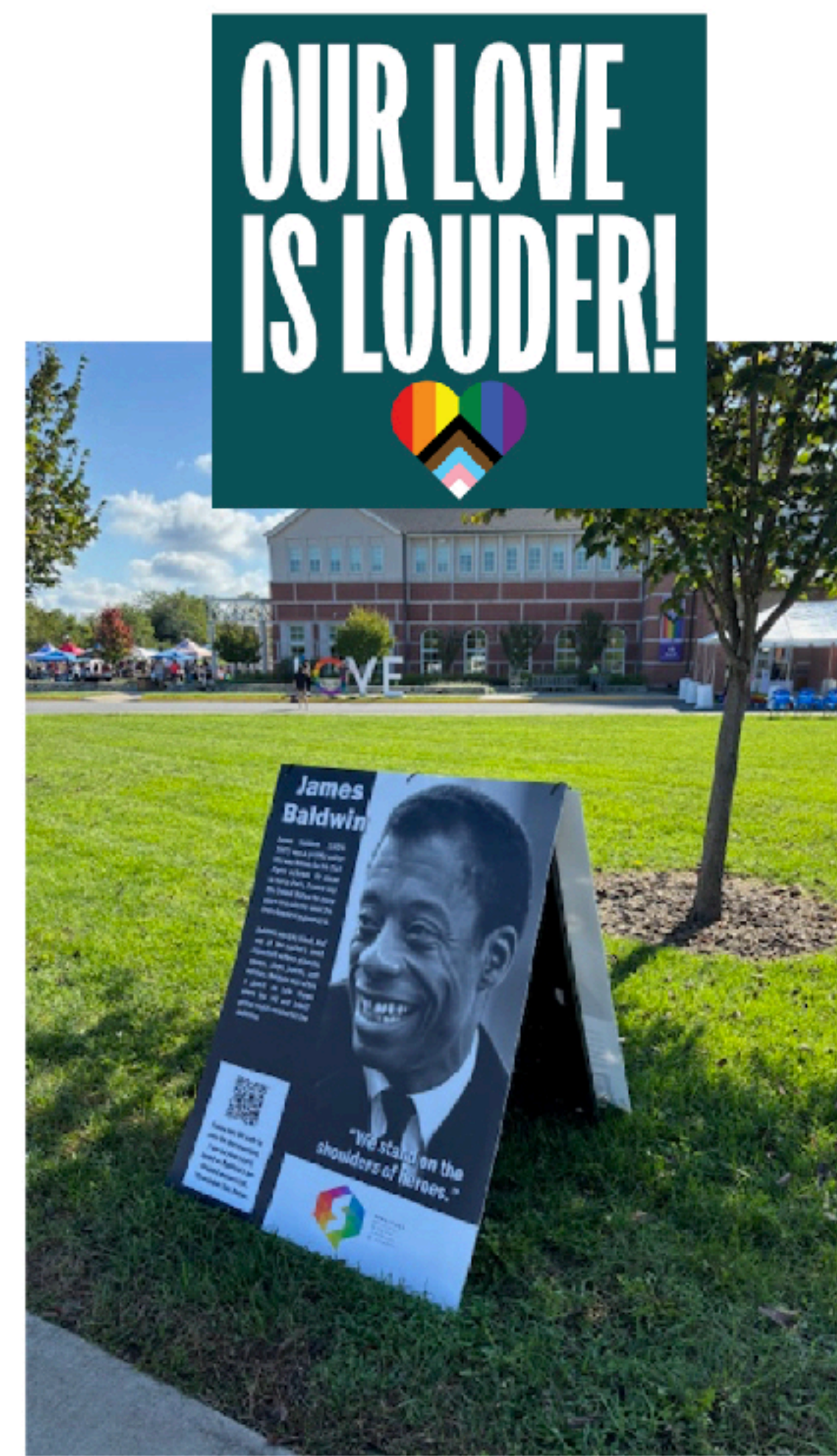
Our year in Review



Game days have been a popular event and we have another coming up in November! We hope you will come!



Pride was spent at Starbucks where we gathered and made some new friends!



We tabled several events including three Pride events. We have others coming up this month.

Our Year in Review

Accomplishments

- We added several new members of which we are obligated to National for \$15 of each yearly membership. This year we will pay for about 30 members totaling \$450.
- August 25-We raised funds to help provide a picnic for the Grandparents as Parents group to make them aware that we are here
- We held, and continue to hold monthly support meetings which allow us to share stories and concerns about things like gender affirming care, insecurities and opportunities for community care
- December 24-We marched in the Woodstock Christmas Parade and we will march in the parade this year.
- We participated in the Spring Rotary Catfish Dinner, decorating a table with resources and being available to the community
- We spoke at the Rotary Club about what PFLAG is and the importance of what we do.
- We hosted 3 game day events to allow a safe play space for those in the LGBTQ community to come together and share social time.

- We gave 4 Safe Zone Trainings to local non-profit organizations:
 - Response
 - Shenandoah Alliance for Shelter
 - St. Paul's UCC Church & local counselors
 - Caroline Furnace Retreat Center
- to train them in how to involve those in the LGBTQ in their work places and
- we revised our Safe Zone Training and are looking for new opportunities to give that training with updated information
- We tabled several local events through the Chamber of Commerce so that we are visible in the community
- We participate in the non-profit Family Youth Initiative
- We are members of the Shenandoah County Chamber of Commerce
- We spoke out at the SCSB against policies that they have put in place within the school system that will ultimately hurt the LGBTQ+ students
- We are sending members to the 2025 PFLAG National Convention in October in Chicago, Ill to Learn with Love and bring back resources for our chapter.
- We have a member who has created a series of Podcasts, called The Spectrum, to help educate the community at large.

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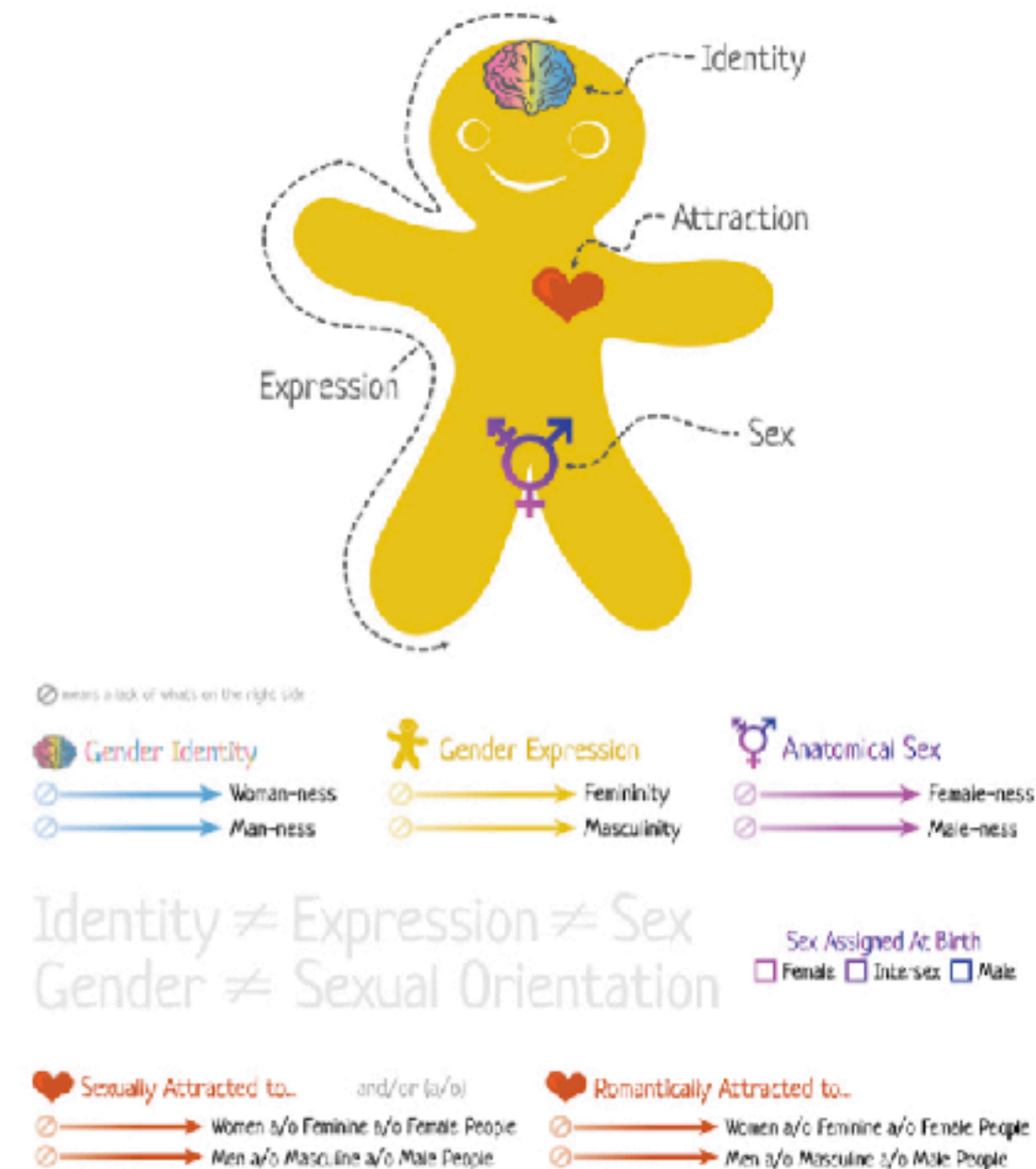
Goals for the Future

- ★ We want to fill out our ranks so that we can spread the work around which will allow our chapter to be sustainable in the future.
- ★ We will be giving more Safe Zone Trainings to help educate the community which in turn will help those in the LGBTQ Community
- ★ To continue to advocate in ways that we are seen as helpers in the community which shows that we are not a danger to the community.
- ★ To partner with the new PFLAG Chapter in Harrisonburg to hold forums and events to build a stronger alliance in the area.
- ★ To add a Youth group that could allow that age group to have a gathering place so that they can support each other.

Safe Zone Training

Please contact us to give a Safe Zone Training to groups that might benefit from this training. Helping the community to better understand important points that we feel are often misunderstood and are seriously needed to better understanding LGBTQ issues.

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Volunteer Opportunities

COLLABORATION

Support Group Facilitation

Assist in monthly support group facilitation. Research topics pertinent to participants' needs. Refer participants to other community resources as needed. Develop opportunities for participants to be involved in other PFLAG activities.

Fundraising

Identify local sources of income such as businesses, foundations, etc. Assist with fundraising activities.

Membership Management

Assist in welcoming new members. Help develop membership retention campaigns. Help identify new members' skills in order to coordinate with volunteer needs within our organization.

Newsletter

Collect and/or write relevant articles and updates. Assist with layout and design of monthly newsletter.

Education activities

Help identify areas of interest for educational initiatives. Help plan educational activities. Assist with acquisition of materials such as pamphlets, books, and videos to be included in a resource library.

Advocacy

Identify areas of interest for advocacy. Participate in voter registration training, lobby visit preparation, etc. Communicate advocacy issues to membership and community at large.

Outreach

Help identify opportunities in the community for PFLAG participation. Assist in tabling events in local and nearby communities.

Website Maintenance

Update website with current information about meetings, events, newsletters, advocacy, etc.

COMMUNITY

Election of New Officers

Accepting Nominations for the following positions:

- **President - Susie Wilburn**
- **Treasurer -**
- **Secretary - Linda Thomas-Fowler**
- **Education - Rhonda Zingraff**
- **Outreach - Lynn McKee**
- **Membership - Billy Smelser**
- **Website - Levi Miller**
- **Support Facilitator- Colleen Dillon**
- **Newsletter-**



Q&A

**We would be happy to take all
your questions!**

**And, thank you for spending time
with us and helping us with
PFLAG Woodstock VA**

