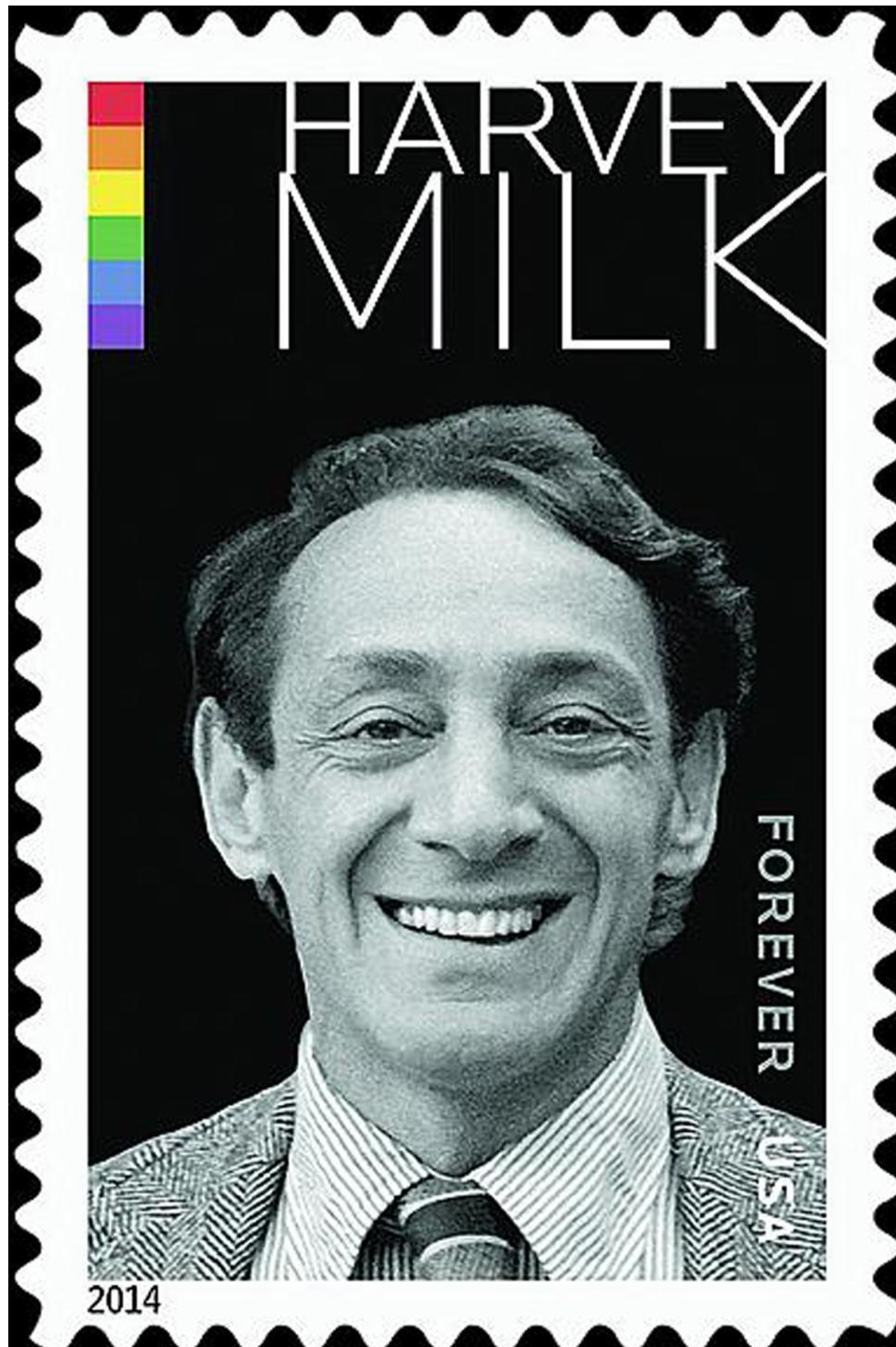


HARVEY MILK DAY 2014



"All young people, regardless of sexual orientation or identity, deserve a safe and supportive environment in which to achieve their full potential." Harvey Milk

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“Burst down those closet doors once and for all, and stand up and start to fight.”
— *Harvey Milk*

The City of West Hollywood proudly celebrates Harvey Milk Day annually!

People around the world commemorate Harvey Milk Day by giving back to their communities and helping others.

Harvey Milk was the first openly gay individual to hold elected office in the United States when he served on the San Francisco Board of Supervisors from 1977 until his untimely death in 1978. Harvey Milk’s legacy as a civil rights leader is still felt today. He was named one of TIME Magazine’s most influential people of the 20th century. He was posthumously awarded the Presidential Medal of Freedom in 2009 and was the subject of a movie for which Sean Penn won the Academy Award for best actor. Many Institutions and organizations are named for Harvey Milk to commemorate his life and social contributions. In October of 2009, Governor Schwarzenegger signed a bill to create a state day of recognition for Harvey Milk, to be observed on Harvey Milk’s birthday, May 22.

The US Postal Service and the White House will honor Harvey Milk and his inspiring efforts as an activist and civil rights leader with a ceremony to dedicate the Harvey Milk Forever Stamp on May 22nd.

You’re invited!

Join the City of West Hollywood for ***Love = Love: The Five Year Road to Marriage***, a special exhibition celebrating the struggle for marriage equality with a reception on Harvey Milk Day, May 22, from 7pm - 9pm. On view at the West Hollywood Library, 625 N. San Vicente Blvd. The new Harvey Milk United States Postal stamp will be available for purchase as well. FREE community event!



One City One Pride Opportunities

Hollywood LGBTQ Arts Festival 2014



Opportunities:

One City One Pride is at its core a community event with a long, demonstrable history of supporting and nurturing emerging artists and arts organizations. There are multiple ways for both individuals and groups to get involved in the One City One Pride (West Hollywood LGBTQ arts festival). Please visit www.weho.org/pride or www.weho.org/pridemap for more info on the festival.

Volunteering: Help make One City One Pride happen! Check out all the volunteer opportunities [here](#) or contact movadia@weho.org.

Multiplex Dance: The Interface Project - This interactive dance project is seeking community members to be a part of the creation and performance of a new piece for One City One Pride that celebrates marriage equality.

Art Goes Electronic The theme for One City One Pride for June 2014 is 'I Do.', a celebration of marriage equality. Submissions should be received by May 18 at the latest. No fee to submit.

LGBT Dynasty art show Organized by Gallerie Sparta located on the Sunset Strip. Small fee to submit. Proceeds from the exhibition benefit APLA.

VOLUNTEER SERVICE **ORGANIZATIONS**

Volunteer Los Angeles – www.volunteerlosangeles.com

Volunteer Center of Los Angeles – www.vcla.net (323) 450-5080

One Brick (Los Angeles) – www.losangeles.onebrick.org

Volunteer Match – www.volunteermatch.org (415) 241-6868

LA Works – www.laworks.com (323) 224-6510

Big Sunday – www.bigsunday.org (323) 549-9944

We Serve LA – <http://www.lamayor.org/volunteerism>

Volunteering in America – www.volunteeringinamerica.gov (202) 606-5000

California Volunteers – www.californiavolunteers.org (888) 567- SERV

Gay for Good -- <http://gayforgood.org/groups/los-angeles>

Global Volunteers LGBT -- <http://www.globalvolunteers.org/lgbt/Default.asp>

Global Volunteerism -- <http://www.volunteersforprosperity.gov/>

Local Volunteer Opportunities

Ace of Hearts

Ace of Hearts is a non-profit dog rescue organization dedicated to rescuing dogs from LA shelters the day they are to be euthanized.

What: Help at adoptions with set up and/or break down, train as walkers for our extra strong dogs, show our dogs to interested parties, or collect donations

When: **Saturdays, May, 12:00 PM – 5:00 PM**
Saturdays, June, 12:00 PM – 5:00 PM

Where: The Petco in West Hollywood, 508 N. Doheny, West Hollywood, CA 90069

More Info: Volunteers must be 18 years of age or accompanied by an parent or guardian who is a registered volunteer at all times 310-358-3344; dogsfromheaven@aol.com

Take a BITE out of Hunger

The primary goal of the Los Angeles Regional Food Bank is to collect and distribute the most nutritious food available to people at risk for hunger in Los Angeles County– 4,000 square miles with the largest population of any county in the nation. We distribute food through a network of 670 partner agencies that include food pantries, shelters, soup kitchens, and youth and senior centers.

What: Volunteers are needed to assemble food packages for women with infants, children, and seniors in Los Angeles County. Food packages include canned fruit, vegetables, rice, cereal, and other non-perishable food items. By giving just a little of our time, we can make a big difference in our community.

When: **Saturday, May 24, 12:30 PM – 3:30 PM ,**
Saturday, June 14th, 8:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Where: Los Angeles Regional Food Bank
2825 E. 54th Street, Vernon, 90058

Register: Online at www.lafoodbank.org/volunteer

Tails of the City Animal Rescue

Tails of the City Animal Rescue is an all-volunteer, no-kill 501(c)(3) organization, dedicated to the rescue, treatment, boarding and re-homing of animals in the greater Los Angeles area. Pet adoptions are held every weekend at the Petco on LaBrea in Los Angeles.

What: We need help unloading the van and setting up cages and pens. We also need people to take them for walks and spend a little one-on-one time with them. Volunteers talk to our potential adopters about our animals and the adoption process. We also need dog walkers to take walks with potential adoptees.

When: Every Saturday, 11:15 PM – 5:15 PM

Where: Petco, 200 South La Brea Ave Suite C, Los Angeles, CA 90036

More Info: Volunteers under 18 years of age need written parental consent.
www.tailsofthecityrescue.com

LA Gay Pride Festival

Christopher Street West Association, Inc. is a non-profit service organization within the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender community, composed of volunteers committed to the goals of human rights, education, outreach, and better understanding within our community, as well as the non-TLGB community. To further these goals, Christopher Street West brings together the skills, talents, and visions of our diverse community to produce the annual Los Angeles Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Pride Celebration in West Hollywood.

What: As a Welcome Ambassador you will staff the festival entrance, welcome guests, and alert security if you observe any unwelcome situations. Great people skills is a must plus highly observant and comfortable with crowded, noisy conditions.

When: June 6-8, 2014 various shifts

Where: Register online at www.lapride.org/volunteer_app

More Info: Email volunteer@lapride.org with questions.

TreePeople: Park Work Days

TreePeople is an environmental nonprofit that unites the power of trees, people and technology to grow a sustainable future for Los Angeles. Simply put, our work is about helping nature heal our cities.

What: Come to our beautiful 45-acre headquarters atop Mulholland Dr. where hikers, bikers and school children enjoy the trails, trees and views in one of L.A.'s most loved parks. Help keep the park looking great by maintaining the trails, removing invasive plants, re-grading slopes to protect them from erosion, and working in our seedling nursery.

When: **Saturdays in May 2014, 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM**
Thursday, June 12, 2014, 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Where: Beverly Hills

Register: Online at www.treepeople.org
All volunteers must individually pre-register to attend.

More Info: Volunteers under the age of 16 must be accompanied by an adult. Volunteers over the age of 16 but under the age of 18 must provide a parental consent form to the event manager.
www.treepeople.org (818) 753-4600

LA Works SERVE IT UP

L.A. Works is a 501(c)3 nonprofit, volunteer action center that creates and implements hands-on community service projects throughout the greater Los Angeles area.

What: SPRUCE IT UP: Garden for Environmental Education

When: **Saturdays, May and June, 2014, 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM**

Where: Various Schools in and around Los Angeles, CA

More Info: Volunteers **must** register through LA Works. www.laworks.com or 323-224-6510

Heal the Bay: Nothin' But Sand Beach Cleanup

Since 1985, people like you who care about our rivers, beaches and oceans have been a part of Heal the Bay's fight to make Southern California coastal waters and watersheds, including Santa Monica Bay, safe, healthy and clean.

What: This is a great opportunity for you and your friends to get involved! Bags and gloves will be provided. However, to help cut down on the number of bags we use for our cleanups, please bring a bucket or bag from home. Open to all.

When: **Saturday, May 17, 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM**
Saturday, June 21, 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Where: Hermosa Beach, 517 Pier Ave, Hermosa Beach, CA 90254

More Info: All cleanup volunteers must have a signed waiver form (found on the website). Volunteers must be 12 years old or accompanied by a parent. No RSVP is needed. Forms also available onsite at event. More info at 1-800-4325-229, x148; <http://www.healthebay.org/about-us>

Greater West Hollywood Food Coalition

For 25 years the Greater West Hollywood Food Coalition has served a hot, fresh, and nutritious meal every night, seven nights a week, throughout the year to the homeless and hungry. They are in need of volunteers to pick up donated food, help to prepare and serve the nightly meal, and help their clients in a myriad of other ways including finding them a place to live. Go to their website at www.gwhfc.org for more information.

What: GWHFC needs volunteers primarily to serve our six-course nightly buffet meal (from 6 to 8p), to help cook the meal in our modern kitchen (from 3 to 6p), and to pick up donated food (one to two hours, at variable times).

When: **Opportunities available daily throughout the year, with shifts between 3:00 PM & 8:00 PM**

Where: At the corner of Sycamore and Romaine, along the border of Hollywood and West Hollywood.

More Info: You already have everything you need: the desire to volunteer for an hour or two, to get along with your fellow volunteers, and to give unreservedly of yourself to those in serious need. Also, if you are a reliable driver with a valid license and insurance, and you want to volunteer by picking up food on an as-needed basis, please call (323)634-4908, and leave a message saying that you'd like to be added to the list of pickup volunteers.

Downtown Women's Center

The Downtown Women's Center is a nationally recognized pioneer of permanent supportive housing and the only resource in Los Angeles that is exclusively dedicated to serving the unique needs of homeless and very low-income women in downtown Los Angeles' Skid Row community. Permanent supportive housing is successful, cost-effective combinations of affordable housing with services that help people live more stable, productive lives. This housing model improves stability and reduces the use of high cost public services.

What: Volunteers are needed for a variety of tasks ranging from cooking and donation sorting to residence hosting and kitchen assistance. Some of the opportunities require training. Group volunteer opportunities are also available.

When: Volunteer times vary by activity. Volunteer orientation dates for those wanting to learn more about the Downtown Women's Center and ending women's homelessness in Los Angeles are:

- **Wednesdays in May and June, Mornings**
- **3rd and 4th Saturdays, June, 6:30 PM – 8:30 PM**

Where: Downtown Women's Center, 442 S. San Pedro Street, Los Angeles, CA 90013

More Info: Must be 18 years or older to participate. For more information about volunteering and training, please contact the Camille Crenshaw, Community and Corporate Engagement Associate at volunteer@dwcweb.org or visit www.dwcweb.org

Gay for Good Harvey Milk Day

Gay for Good aims to energize and mobilize the LGBT community to interact with your City's community by volunteering our time to various social welfare and environmental service projects.

What: Join G4G for our fifth annual day of service in honor of Harvey Milk. We're partnering again with the L.A. Mayor's office, Enrich L.A., LAUSD, The Milk Foundation and TreePeople to build a beautiful new green space and edible garden at Van Nuys Middle School.

When: Sunday, May 18, 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM

Where: Van Nuys Middle School, 5435 Vesper Ave, Sherman Oaks 91411

More Info: Volunteers must register through Gay for Good at www.gayforgood.org

Operation Gratitude

Operation Gratitude annually sends 150,000+ care packages filled with snacks, entertainment, hygiene and hand-made items, plus personal letters of appreciation, to Veterans, First Responders, Wounded Warriors, Care Givers and to individually named U.S. Service Members deployed overseas.

What: All Volunteer days (weekdays and weekends) include both “**Prep**” and “**Assembly**” work. Since its inception in 2003, Operation Gratitude volunteers have shipped more than One Million Care Packages.

When: **Saturday, May 24, 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM**
Saturday, June 22, 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM

Where: The Armory

More Info: For address and additional details, please email:
OpGratVolunteer1@yahoo.com

All volunteers must sign a Release Form (**parents/guardians must sign for minor under 18**).

