GAY & SOBER™

Serving the worldwide LGBTQ recovery community

Gay & Sober is a one-of-a-kind 501c3 non-profit organization that empowers community members to lead healthy, successful lives. We proudly celebrate our community's diversity and advocate for those that are new to the journey of sobriety. Our organization facilitates face to face recovery.

Explore our special world on Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter!
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WE OFFER:

- **An annual international conference that celebrates recovery**
- **An annual LGBTQ contingent in the NYC Pride Parade and an alcohol free dance party**
- **A curated list of LGBTQ 12 step meetings around the world**
- **Ongoing and engaging health and wellness programming and messaging**

MISSION: Gay & Sober's mission is simple – to provide a safe, fun, and enriching experience to the sober community. Our primary purpose is to encourage unity and enhance one's sobriety.

VISION: In the spirit of unity we come together to support and love one another and to show others – especially beginners – that it is indeed possible to be happy, joyous, & free in sobriety. Once a year, we hold a special men's event in New York City devoted to celebrating recovery from alcoholism & drug addiction. For three special days, hundreds of fellows are brought together for a weekend of innovative health & wellness workshops, big speaker meetings, spiritual growth, and top entertainment. We also sponsor a Pride Day celebration for all LGBTQ people that features a place to march in the parade and an evening dance on the Hudson River - complete with fireworks!

SPIRIT: We are doing this in the spirit of brotherhood, friendliness, fellowship, and adventure.

ORIGINS: What started as a private group on Facebook called Gay & Sober Men in the summer of 2009, Gay and Sober has mushroomed into what is now the largest recovery group of its kind on social media. Gay & Sober has expanded to offer monthly free LGBTQ community workshops, a conference, and an official component in the pride festivities.

What makes G&S unique is that we welcome those that simply practice a sober lifestyle *as well* as those that are part of a 12 step program.

> **"Gay & Sober has helped me connect with others just like me. I finally feel a part of."**
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> *— CATHY, LOS ANGELES*

SUPPORT: As a grass roots, non-profit, all-volunteer organization we make a difference in the lives of thousands of individuals within the LGBTQ recovery community. We accomplish this through the generous support of organizations, corporate sponsorships, foundation grants and individuals. Without this support we could not save or change the lives of those in our community. Your generosity allows us to continue our successful programs and the future delivery of exciting new outreach programs currently being introduced and further developed. We ask you to please help us change lives and deliver programs of recovery with your sponsorship or tax-deductible donation today. We thank you, our recovery community thanks you, and those still suffering, looking for a way out, thank you. With gratitude, from all of us at Gay & Sober.

As a 501c3, all donations are tax deductible. EIN: 81-3543092

Celebrate Pride at The Pride Celebration!

The March… On the last Sunday in June, everyone in the LGBTQ+ community is invited to march in the largest Pride Parade organized by Heritage of Pride. 750 - 1000 LGBTQ marchers

NYC PRIDE

The Dance on the River Cruise… The magical day comes to a close with a joyous nighttime, floating, dance party on the river - complete with a fireworks spectacular. The cruise cultivates a sense of awe and play. Maximum of 600 LGBTQ participants

Gay & Sober was an official event at WorldPride

STONEWALL
2019
NYC PRIDE · WORLD PRIDE

The Gay & Sober Member's Conference is three days of meetings, health & wellness workshops, speakers, and fun activities devoted to LGBT people in recovery from alcoholism and drug addiction. A prime objective of the conference is to bring participants closer to one another. 500 - 600 attendees from all over the world.

Unique and Inspiring Meetings Venues

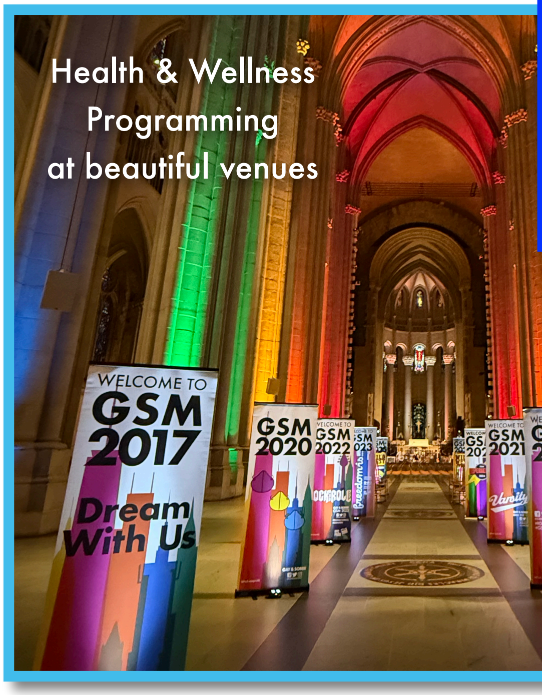
Live Speakers

Marianne Williamson

Morning Group Runs

Top Entertainment! Margaret Cho, Sandra Bernhard, & Bianca Del Rio

Group Yoga



Health & Wellness Programming at beautiful venues

Testimonials:

“I don't know if it’s the pink cloud talking but I feel pretty damn good. I want to say ‘Thank You’ for all the love and support. I will have 1 year under my belt in about 4 hours and I don't think I could have done it without you all. I love you from the bottom of my heart." - Charles, Los Angeles

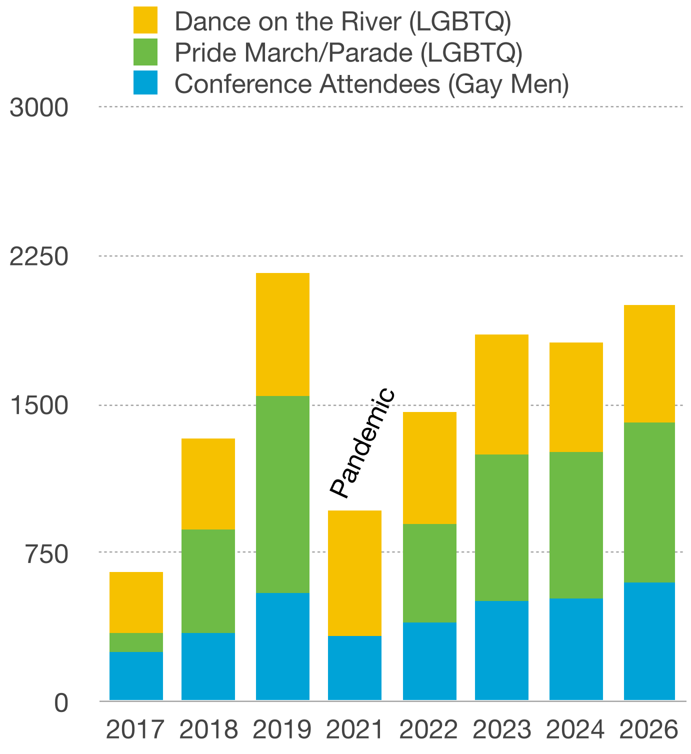
"I didn't know how I was going to stay sober on Pride Sunday. After a Google search I discovered this group. I marched with them in the parade and danced at night. I met other sober women that have strengthened my support network.” - Elaine, London

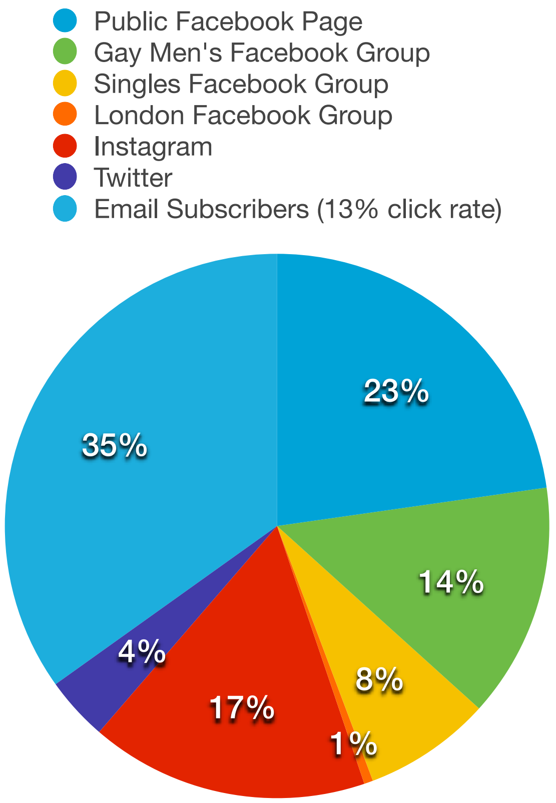
“The Gay & Sober Men’s Conference was a truly transformative experience. To be among so many gay and sober men and to feel such love and warmth from the entire city was incredible. The weekend was a perfect blend of program and pleasure.” - Matthew, North Carolina

“I’m very grateful for this group. This page has really helped me stay connected with recovery even when I’m on the go. Thank you, all of you, for sharing your experience, strength, and hope!” - Kekoa, Hawaii

“This is a safe place for people to share their successes as well as struggles in sobriety, and get positive support and feedback as requested. It's a great way to meet and feel connected with like minded sober men all over the world, which broadens my sober support network from my local community to worldwide.” - Steven, Georgia

Growth & Audience Demographics: (On average, 50,000 people visit our website per month.)





PRIVATE AND IN-KIND CONTRIBUTIONS

Extraordinary things like this undertaking require extraordinary donors. Patrons are people just like you who want to give back to help the community. If you are thinking about becoming a patron, we'd like to ask you to imagine hundreds of people in recovery from a once debilitating addiction - coming together and celebrating their new lives in sobriety. The joy of living is an amazing experience to not only see but to be a part of. You have a chance to help make that happen. For those of you "in the rooms", you already know what we are talking about.

DONORS GET ACCESS TO THE VIP LEVEL OF THE BUS DURING THE NYC PRIDE PARADE AND MARCH, VIP LOUNCE AT THE DANCE ON THE RIVER CRUISE, A VIP GIFT BAG AND MORE!

We have patrons that make annual contributions or a one time gift.

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Donors at this level will receive acknowledgment in the printed program.

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Donors at this level will receive 2 scholarships in their name and special recognition in the printed program and at the events.

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Donors at this level will receive 10 scholarships in their name and special recognition in the printed program and at the events.

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Donors at this level will receive 20 scholarships in their name and special recognition in the printed program and at the events.

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