The first official Pride Parade was organized at the end of the 1980s and was intended to coincide with a rally planned by the Lesbian & Gay Task Force at Love Park. That first rally grew into the largest celebration of LGBT pride in the region, now attracting over 25,000 people each year. Earning a perfect score on the Human Right Campaign’s Municipality Index for three years running, Philadelphia continues to prove that it’s still one of the best destinations for LGBT travelers to get their history straight and their nightlife gay.

**Making History:**

This year we are inviting YOU to be a part of one of our City's greatest traditions! This year **ALL** City of Philadelphia LGBTQ and Ally employees are invited to come out & **MARCH in the parade** with your family, friends & co-workers! We will be proudly waving countless miniature City of Philadelphia flags as we celebrate the diversity of our City!

**WHY **YOU** SHOULD MARCH IN THE PARADE:**

- Philly Pride Parade is a fun way to bond with the LGBTQ community and our Allies!
- It’s an incredible demonstration of inclusion, tolerance, acceptance and diversity!
- The Pride Parade is a positive, inclusive and family friendly experience for all!
- You will be able to take a 25,000+ person selfie!
- You will be a part of history!

**WHO ELSE MARCHES IN THE PARADE?**

- **FRAN DRESCHER** is this year’s host!
- 133+ groups from local organizations to National participants like Independence Blue Cross, Chipotle, the United States Peace Corps and so many more, will be marching alongside you!
- Entertainers, sports teams, churches, musicians, service organizations, businesses, families, friends, young, old, and more will all be out in the street celebrating Pride!
- Our very own **NELLIE FITZPATRICK** and Deputy Commissioner **KEVIN BETHEL** (Philadelphia Police Dept) will be Grand Marshals along with Dr. **RACHEL LEVIN**, our PA Physician General!

**WHEN IS IT?**

Sunday, June 14th  
11:30 AM - 1 PM  

**RSVP** to helen.fitzpatrick@phila.gov or david.torres@phila.gov if you are interested in marching!  

Visit [lgbtp Philly.wordpress.com](http://lgbtp Philly.wordpress.com) and [phillygaypride.org](http://phillygaypride.org) for more on Pride and other LGBT+ events in Philly!