



HOW TO GO TO CAMP?!

10 TIPS TO FIND SUPPORT & MONEY

You won't believe how many dollars your campus spends for students like you to attend summer leadership camps/institutes/trainings (athletes, religious groups, honors students, student government, etc). Plus, there are tons of ways to raise money within the LGBT and Ally community local groups. Here are some ideas to Get Started!

1. Some organizations on campus will sponsor a fellow student to go to leadership experience if the student in return does a presentation open to all of campus about the opportunity. (Same goes for community organizations, alumni groups, faculty groups, service orientated group).
2. The LGBT Alumni group, Community Center, restaurant/bar, etc., may have money budgeted to donate to a good cause – what is better than a starving college student trying to change the world?
3. Major businesses and organizations in town may also budget for donations. You could offer to write up a story about your experience as a community relations piece.
4. Academic Honor Rolls, Fraternity/Sorority, and Service Organizations may require similar experiences and offer financial hardship assistance.
5. Offer an exchange with an organization or business that you are interested in working with that you will do an unpaid internship for X number of hours over X number of weeks in return for assistance with expenses. Tax write off for them, free labor for them, GREAT experience two times over for you.
6. Use Facebook and Twitter to drum up others in your area to attend and caravan or road trip to camp.
7. Pitch going to camp to scholarship programs that may have interest in giving funds for the opportunity.
8. Fundraise!
9. Google grants and scholarships for any identity you claim (and I mean any – don't just think LGBT). There are funds for ancestors of the Civil War, left handed people, different racial and ethnic and religious identities, abilities, languages, first generation college students, athletes, Greeks, returning students, parents, etc.
10. Talk to the local schools, hospitals, places of worship, agencies, etc., and in exchange for funding offer to do an educational workshop for their staff.