

**2022 SEASON SPONSORSHIP INFORMATION** 

**TACKLING** STEREOTYPES, BUILDING COMMUNITY, AND TRANSFORMING LIVES THROUGH SPORT FOR THE LGBTQ AND ALLY COMMUNITY.

### **ABOUT US**

Providence Gay Flag Football League (PVDGFFL) is Rhode Island's premiere co-ed flag football league for the LGBTQ+ community. We are a 501(c)(3) non-profit, charitable organization promoting competitive recreational football. Our league's vision is to create a safe and inclusive environment where people, regardless of sexual orientation or gender identity or expression, can participate in a competitive and friendly team sport, develop a social support system, and build lifelong friendships. All skill levels are encouraged to participate, play, and volunteer.

We are committed to delivering a welcoming and inclusive environment with all league activities including football, and giving back to the community through educational, outreach, volunteer, and community service activities. More information about our league and activities is available on our website:

www.pvdgffl.org

#### **WHY WE PLAY**

We play not only because we enjoy flag football, but also to foster community and camaraderie, to be active participants in the Rhode Ilsand community, and to serve as examples for the next generation of LGBTQ+ youth, inspiring acceptance, pride, and self-confidence. We play to build bridges and break ddown stereotypes within and beyond our own community by creating a uniquely welcoming environment to play recreational flag football with integrity and sportsmanship.



### **NATIONAL EXPOSURE**

Since its founding in 2002, the National Gay Flag Football League has launched active leagues in cities such as Boston, LA, San Francisco, Denver, Phoenix, Atlanta, and New York; our own Providence league is the twenty-third expansion city. We compete in national tournaments including the annual Gay Bowl against other member cities.









#### COMMUNITY

An integral component of our league is having a sense of community on and off the field. Our players, captains, referees, and fans are provided regular opportunities for social and community service engagements. All are encouraged to give back to their surrounding neighborhoods through volunteer opportunities. Our league is engaged with local non-profit organizations to establish our volunteerism program to donate time and resources to improve the lives of LGTBQ+ people in Rhode Island.





### **2022 BUDGET**

We are dependent on sponorships and donations to run our league. Our all volunteer board oversees an annual budget of approximately \$45,000. Player fees cover only 65% of our overall expenses. We hope to make our league affordable so any person who wants to participate and play has an opportunity to do so. We want to continue to offer financial assistance to any players in need; we don't want to turn anyone away for an inability to pay.

### **ACHEIVING OUR GOAL**

We'd love for your business to be part of our LGBTQ+ community and help us bring the flag football experience to Rhode Island. We cannot do this alone, your support will help establish our league and enable us to grow and thrive in the community. Our budget relies on the generosity of our sponsors, locally and nationally, along with fundraising events we'll hold throughout the year. The cost of running an entire league for over 200 participants quickly absorbs the league player fees and contributions from fundraising events we collect in the spring and fall. Our goal is to make a positive impact on our local LGBTQ+ community as well as promote our league, the City of Providence, and all of Rhode Island.



### **SPONSORSHIP BENEFITS**

Donating to our organization promotes equality, the celebration of diversity, and the expansion of access to athletic competition to LGBTQ+ individuals who otherwise would not have the opportunity. Our league participants will interact with thousands of local community members and other leagues from around the country. The NGFFL has over 2,500 participants across all 25 member cities. Participants in our league will be diverse in age, ethicity, background, and careers. Sponsoring our league will provide exposure to your business to a group who travel, are tech savvy, and are not afraid to voice support for the companies who promote and advance the rights of individuals and families within the LGBTQ+ community. Based on your contribution level your logo and business information may be included on our website, monthly email newsletter, jerseys, signage, and other league apparel and marketing materials. Our loyal participants and followers will recognize your business as a sponsor of our league. Your sponorship brings us that much closer to making our league a success and a staple of the Rhode Island LGBTQ+ community.

#### **WE ARE A PUBLIC CHARITY**

Providence Gay Flag Football League is a 501 (c)(3) charitable organizaion and Rhode Island non-profit corporation. Our EIN is 83-2192377. All or a portion of your contribution to our league may be tax deductible. We recommend you consult your tax advisor. Per IRS regulations we will provide a written receipt for all contributions for your tax filing and reporting purposes.



# PRESENTING SPONSOR \$5000+

- All included in "Admiral" level plus ...
- Logo printed on league banners and travel team jerseys



Be the organization to join the New England Patriots as a Presenting sponsor

## ANCHOR LEVEL \$250-999

- Public thanks via Instagram, Twitter, and Facebook
- Listed in all "Rhody Huddle" email newsletters
- Featured in sponsor section of our website
- Promote your business at our fields 1 week in Spring and 1 week in Fall (we provide tent & table)

## COMMANDER LEVEL \$1000-2499

- All included in "Anchor" level plus ...
- Logo printed on all team jerseys
- Logo printed on all volunteer, captain, and director t-shirts

## **ADMIRAL LEVEL \$2500-4999**

- All included in "Commander" level plus ...
- Logo featured on homepage of our website
- Logo featured on field signage

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### **SPONSORSHIP AGREEMENT**

You can complete the sponsorship agreement and submit your donation online using a debit or credit card, checking account, or PayPal.

Visit our website: www.pvdgffl.org/sponsorship

If you prefer to submit the agreement through paper form and check please let us know, and we'll make arrangements.

### **THANK YOU**

We are eternally grateful to you and your business for sponsoring our league. If you have other ideas for sponsorship or prefer to donate an in-kind gift please let us know, we are happy to work with you.

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