

# Join The Fight

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in their work to pass legislation guaranteeing equal rights to Lesbians and Gay men in Vermont and insuring protection for People With AIDS and HIV+ persons. Contribute to our cause and add your name to our mailing list. We need your help.

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# Gay National News

## Coffee Klatches and Congressional Battles

The Human Rights Campaign Fund (HRCF) has launched its House Meeting pilot project, a grassroots organizing program designed to reach, inform and motivate activists and non-activists in gay and lesbian homes nationwide.

A typical house meeting begins with the host inviting friends to his or her home. At the meeting, attendees review local, state or federal issues that affect them. Participants discuss how they can affect government action on AIDS and the battle for lesbian and gay civil rights. An HRCF video is shown at the meetings, which are not designed to be fundraisers. The event is informal, friendly and held in neighborly surroundings.

The house meeting pilot project will initially focus on North Carolina, Illinois, Minnesota, Colorado, Ohio and Georgia. If the project is as successful as anticipated, HRCF will expand it to other parts of the country.

For more information call HRCF's Field Division at (202) 628-4160 or write HRCF, 1012 14th St. NW, Suite 607, Washington DC 20005.

## Jeff Levi to Leave as NGLTF Executive Director

National Gay and Lesbian Task force (NGLTF) Executive Director Jeffrey Levi announced that he will leave the organization effective August 1st after 6 years of service with nation's preeminent gay and lesbian civil rights organization. Levi plans to stay actively involved in the gay and lesbian rights movement and said his departure reflects a strong desire to work full time on the development and formulation of national AIDS policy.

Levi joined NGLTF in 1983 as the Director of the Washington office. In 1986 he was named the Executive Director.

During Levi's tenure, NGLTF has increased dramatically its staff and membership and worked toward erasing a long-term \$90,000 debt.

Politically, Levi and NGLTF in 1983 secured the first-ever funding by the federal government for community-based AIDS service organizations. He helped draft a national consensus statement on national blood policy in 1984 and was responsible for creating a consensus among public health officials and the gay community on HIV testing.

In 1986, Levi began organizing a coalition of national organizations whose constituencies were affected by the AIDS health crisis. This group, called the National Organizations Responding to AIDS (NORA), is now convened by the AIDS Action Council and numbers more than 100 organizations.

Persons interested in applying for the position of NGLTF Executive Director may write to the Executive Director Search Committee, NGLTF, 1517 U Street NW, Washington DC 20009.

## NGLTF Campus Project Releases Publication

The Campus Project of the NGLTF today released a publication outlining strategies for gay and lesbian activists to organize for non-discrimination policies on campus. The publication is entitled "Making it Official: Organizing For A Policy to End Discrimination", and is contained in Organizing For Equality, the newsletter of the NGLTF Campus Project.

The new publication lists colleges and universities that have non-discrimination policies covering sexual orientation discrimination. It highlights successful organizing efforts on several campuses and outlines for activists the mechanics of changing campus policies.

Copies of "Making It Official" may be



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