National Coming Out Day

October 11

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National Coming Out Day
P.O. Box 96446
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October 11, 1988 was designated as the first National Coming Out Day to commemorate the first March on Washington for Lesbian and Gay Rights. The first National Coming Out Day was chaired by Joie O'Leary (former Executive Director of the National Gay Rights Advocates) and Rob Eichberg (founder of the Experience and author of Coming Out: An Act of Love). In February of 1993, National Coming Out Day became a non-profit educational project of the HRCF Foundation. The HRCF Foundation is affiliated with the Human Rights Campaign Fund, the nation's largest lesbian and gay membership organization.

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Ideas for Coming Out Every Day

On October 11 and all year round, use these 10 ideas to live your life powerfully and truthfully:

1. Make a commitment every day to tell the truth about yourself to others.
2. Join a national gay and lesbian organization.
3. Include your partner in all of your holiday and family events.
4. Come out in the workplace and encourage your employer to include protections and benefits on the basis of sexual orientation.
5. Organize a visibility event on National Coming Out Day.
6. Write letters to local and national elected officials urging them to support fairness and equality for lesbians and gays.
7. Share your coming out story with school, church or synagogue groups.
8. Volunteer with and support local and community organizations.
9. Support gay and non-gay companies that support the gay community.
10. Help make the identity of the gay community as diverse as possible by getting involved and being visible - it truly makes a difference!

The HRCF Foundation (formerly the Triangle Institute) was founded in 1985 as a non-profit Washington, D.C., corporation, classified as a tax-exempt Section 501(c)(3) organization by the IRS. It was established to help advance and sponsor basic educational research and to promote the visibility of gay and lesbian issues. The Foundation was founded to help foster an exchange of information and greater public understanding of the issues facing lesbians and gay men.