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Pride 2026: Toronto Pride Booth and Parade

To: Presidents and All Members

From: Gary Fenn, Interim Associate General Secretary – Professional Services

For Action

OSSTF/FEESO has been a proud participant in the Pride Toronto annual celebrations for many years and will be involved again in 2026. Founded in 1981, Pride Toronto creates and supports events and programming that celebrate the diverse talents, stories, and achievements of all 2SLGBTQIA+ communities, and boldly advocates for and defends our human rights.

Pride Toronto carries forward a legacy rooted in the rich, progressive history of Toronto's queer community. As the second-largest Pride celebration in the world, the festival brings together people from across Ontario, Canada, and beyond to celebrate our vibrant diversity. This year the theme *We Won't Stop!* embodies the core values of authenticity, respect, integrity, freedom, community, and diversity, equity, and inclusion.

Pride Toronto – *We Won't Stop!* takes place from June 1 to June 28, 2026. Toronto Pride month festivities culminate with a festival on June 26-28 in downtown Toronto, with events and presentations. On Friday, June 26, members of the Trans community and their supporters will celebrate with the Trans Pride Rally and March. The Dyke Rally and March are on Saturday, June 27. The Toronto Pride Parade, the festival's largest event, is on Sunday, June 28, 2026. Please refer to the link by clicking: [Pride Toronto website](#) for the exact times and locations of these and other Pride events.

This year OSSTF/FEESO will be marching with the Ontario Federation of Labour (OFL) as a show of solidarity and unity with other labour affiliates from around Ontario in the Pride Toronto Parade on Sunday, June 28. There will be music and T-shirts for marchers. We encourage Districts and their members to attend this festival, take part in all the events, and end their visit by marching with OSSTF/FEESO in the parade on Sunday. As in the past, OSSTF/FEESO will host an information booth at the Street Fair on June 27 and 28. Members are encouraged to volunteer to take a shift as an OSSTF/FEESO ambassador. The booth location, t-shirt pick-up location, parade schedule, and marching order will be released as soon as the information is available, and we will share the details via a D/BU Memo, social media, through Update, and on our website (www.osstf.on.ca).

Pride Toronto 2026 also features hundreds of events throughout the city during Pride month. Details of these events can be found by clicking the link: [Pride Toronto website](#).

For more information about the OSSTF/FEESO participation in the 2026 Pride Toronto Festival or to book a time to be an ambassador in our OSSTF/FEESO information booth, please contact Vanessa Stoby in the Communications/Political Action department at the Provincial Office at vanessa.stoby@osstf.ca.

Local Pride Events

A list of local Pride events and activities in communities throughout Ontario is available on the [Ontario Pride website](#). OSSTF/FEESO has produced a limited quantity of Pride swag to hand out at community events. Pride events and information for accessing these are contained in DBU #135/2025-2026. Additionally, a reminder that we have the OSSTF/FEESO [Pride Resources - Dropbox](#). It contains essential and relevant 2SLGBTQIA+ resources, the OSSTF/FEESO Pride logo, and other Pride graphics.

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