



## Out To Protect

We provide training, grants for law enforcement, and scholarships to law enforcement recruits who are “out” as gay, lesbian, bi-sexual, transgender, or a straight ally and who are outstanding role models for their fellow professionals.

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## LGBT Community Liaison Program Accreditation



# Purpose of Accreditation

Accreditation supports the tenets of procedural justice and bolsters the credibility and legitimacy of law enforcement in a community. Increasing credibility and legitimacy grows and strengthens trust between law enforcement and the people an agency serves.



The goal of this accreditation program is to encourage agencies to create LGBT liaison Programs based on what we know are best practices and to reward agencies who operate a program based on these standards. Accreditation provides credibility that contributes to the legitimacy of the liaison program and the law enforcement agency overall. We believe this contributes to an agency's overall commitment to growing trust with the community.

# The Accreditation Process

Any law enforcement agency in the United States is eligible to apply for accreditation of the agency's LGBT Law Enforcement Community Liaison program.

The application and evidence shall be peer-reviewed by three members of the National LGBT Liaison Network Leadership Team. In addition, the peer review team will meet at least once with the agency's LGBT Liaison. The goal is always to help the agency achieve accreditation.



Accreditation is valid for three years. An annual update is required to maintain accreditation. This annual update includes reporting on achievements and challenges of the previous year and submitting a 12-month action plan for the coming year.



## How To Apply

Go to [OutToProtect.org](http://OutToProtect.org) and complete an online application. An accreditation guide is available for download.