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Stories of Pride

On Sunday June 30th, God's Love hit the streets for WorldPride, celebrating 50 years of Pride and 50 years since the Stonewall Uprising. We were thrilled to be joined by Chef Amanda Freitag, Felipe Rose of the Village People, and designer Peter Som!

Fifty years ago it took great courage for people to fight back at Stonewall. It took great courage to do that, at a time when it was not at all clear that others would stand with them.

Thirty-five years ago it took great courage for our founder, Ganga Stone, to deliver meals to the first client of God's Love, a man named Richard, who was at home, dying of AIDS. Richard was abandoned, wasting from the disease, and alone.

After Richard there was another person, and another person, and then another person. Soon, Ganga couldn't do it alone. It took great courage from this community to rally and come to peoples' homes — to bring them food and bring them sustenance — to bring them love from God's Love. We've been delivering meals and delivering love ever since and, today, cook and home-deliver nearly 2 million meals a year

As we celebrate Pride, we celebrate our history, our future, and our unwavering commitment to those living with HIV, to diversity, to LGBTQ+ rights, and to our entire community.

Watch our Stories of Pride



"And then there was God's Love. And boy, was it needed."

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In June 2019 we celebrated the 50th Annual Heritage of Pride March and WorldPride! For more than 28 years, God's Love We Deliver has supported the March, which is hosted by NYC Pride. Year after year, it is a wonderful celebration of our mission, clients, volunteers, and community. It ties back to our roots and our unwavering commitment to those living with HIV, to diversity, and to LGBTQ+ rights. God's Love has always been a friend to the LGBTQ+ community which has played such a critical role in our history and mission. As staff, volunteers and supporters, we reflect on our community and history, and remember that our strength always comes from our diversity that delivers caring, respect, dignity and love every day.



"A meal for someone who is sick means that somebody cares."

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In this video for our "Stories of Pride" series, former Evening Head Chef Amanda Lugg shares her experience with God's Love in the 90s.





"Pride means being able to be who I am, always."

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Our Director of Human Resources Marla Hassner, who volunteered and worked at GMHC during the HIV/AIDS crisis of the 90s shares her stories of helping the community.



"This was a mission where we were fighting for other peoples' lives."

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Richard Feldman, our Board of Trustees member, remembers his first moments with God's Love at a time when he needed us most. And he's been with us ever since.



"Our strength comes from being there for the people who need us."

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In this video in our #StoriesOfPride series, our President & CEO shares the evolution of God's Love from our beginning to today.

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- **"And then there was God's Love. And boy, was..."**



- **"A meal for someone who is sick means that..."**



- **"Pride means being able to be who I am,...**



- **"This was a mission where we were fighting for...**



- **"Our strength comes from being there for the people..."**