



New Participant Application Package 2010

This year's program will run from July 8 to 11, at Camp Bonnenfant in Ottawa.

How to Apply

Your application must be fully completed, including parent/guardian sections (if you're under the age of 18), in order for it to be considered for Project Acorn.

The Executive Director, Project Acorn Coordinator, members of the Board of Directors, and members of the Project Acorn Youth Advisory Committee will review all written applications for Project Acorn. Applicants will then be contacted to participate in an informal phone discussion with one adult and one youth leader to explore personal leadership goals and fit for Project Acorn this year.

All applicants will be notified of whether or not they have been selected to participate in Project Acorn.

The closing date for applications is **April 30, 2010**. Final decision will be announced no later than **May 30, 2010**.

Applications can be submitted by e-mail or regular mail:

E-mail address: projectacorn@tenoaksproject.org

Mailing address:

Ten Oaks Project
255 Montreal Rd, Suite 205
Ottawa, ON K1L 6C4

Remember: the application deadline is April 30, 2010.

Fees and Financial Assistance

The Ten Oaks Project is committed to the economic accessibility of our programs. This means that while the cost of Project Acorn is more than \$700 per participant, we are committed to offering every successful Project Acorn participant an entrance scholarship of \$550, bringing retreat costs down to \$150.

However, should \$150 be more than what you can afford in order to participate, we're committed to working out a price that you can reasonably afford. **No participant will be turned away because they are unable to pay the participant fee.**

Going to Project Acorn

If you are successful in your application to participate in Project Acorn, you will be asked to complete additional forms including medical information, media release(s) in addition to reviewing Project Acorn guidelines for participation. We will also send you information regarding transportation to and from the site, and your participant fee will be discussed and down payment provided.



About the Youth Participant

First name _____	Age while at retreat _____
Last name _____	Birthday (MM/DD/YY) _____
Street Address _____	E-mail address _____
City _____	Phone (Home) _____
Province _____	Phone (Other) _____
Postal code _____	

May we provide your contact information to other participants and their families to stay in touch after the retreat?
This includes your name, mailing address, primary phone number and e-mail. If no, you will not be included in our listing.

YES NO

All participants will be given a Project Acorn t-shirt. Please indicate your preferred size:

Youth (M) Youth (L) Adult (S)
Adult (M) Adult (L) Adult (XL) Adult (XXL)

Optional Demographic Information (It is optional for you to complete the parts in the following section)

Gender Identity _____ Sexual Orientation _____

Ethnicity _____ Are you a child from an LGBTQ family? YES NO

Parent/Guardian Information (Please complete this section for Youth Participants who are under 18 years of age)

First name _____	Phone (Home) _____
Last name _____	Phone (Work) _____
Relationship to participant Parent Guardian Other	Phone (Other) _____
if "Other" please define _____	E-mail address _____
Street Address _____	
City _____	The following person(s) are authorized to pick up the participant
Province _____	1) _____
Postal code _____	2) _____

Emergency Contact

First name _____	Phone (Home) _____
Last name _____	Phone (Work) _____
Relationship to participant Parent Guardian Other	Phone (Other) _____
if "Other" please define _____	E-mail address _____

How did you hear about Project Acorn? _____

Getting to Know You

Please tell us about your leadership skills and/or goals, any past related experiences at home and/or within your community, and what you hope to get out of Project Acorn this summer. We encourage you to have fun with your answers and to elaborate as much as possible because it will help us to get to know you better. Feel free to use additional pages if needed. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us at projectacorn@tenoaksproject.org

Why do you want to attend Project Acorn?

How do you see a program like this benefitting you and the people around you?

What goals do you have in relation to your personal growth?

What is your definition of leadership and how do you feel it applies to your life?

Have you taken part in a leadership program or experience before? If yes, please describe.

What is a pressing issue facing youth in LGBTQ communities today?

Authorization

1. The parent or guardian submitting this application has legal custody of this participant and is legally responsible for the payment of fees and other expenses incurred by the participant and consents to their participation in Project Acorn for its full duration. Conditions of custody and access, if applicable, should be fully communicated in writing to the organization.

2. The Ten Oaks Project safeguards the confidentiality and security of the personal information that you provide us. This information is collected and maintained only by those authorized to do so. It is used to support the participation of participants at Project Acorn and to communicate about the Ten Oaks Project's programming and events. For more information about our privacy guidelines or to review records containing your personal information, please contact us.

3. I have signed, dated and enclosed the complete Participant Application Form. I understand that if the Applicant is selected to participate, their registration will not be confirmed until receipt of the following: Participation Agreement, Participant Health and History Form, Media Release and the program fee. Deadlines for submission of these items will be communicated with an offer of participation.

Parent/Guardian Signature (Required for participants under the age of 18)

Name _____ Signature _____ Date _____

Youth Participant Signature

Name _____ Signature _____ Date _____