

PRIDE MONTH 2024



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Pride Month is an annual June celebration honoring the contributions of the LGBTQ+ community. In 1969, the Stonewall Riots in New York City propelled the movement forward.²

In the early hours of June 28, 1969, the Stonewall Inn, a renowned gay club in New York City, was raided by the police. The aftermath saw the local community rallying together in defiance, resulting in widespread protests that lasted for six days. One year after the Stonewall Riots (June 28, 1970), activists marched through the streets of Manhattan to commemorate the event. This is now considered the country's first gay pride parade. Similar marches also took place in Chicago, Los Angeles, and San Francisco that year.

The Stonewall Riots and subsequent activism led to the official recognition of Pride Month in 1999 when President Bill Clinton declared June as "Gay and Lesbian Pride Month." Pride Month has since expanded to be inclusive of all voices. Many U.S. cities hold parades and festivals throughout the month of June, where they celebrate the beauty, diversity, and worth of all individuals who identify as LGBTQI+.³

The following is a listing of Pride parades and events occurring at locations where UAW-Ford has a presence. Anyone is welcome to participate in these inspiring events to show support for the LGBTQI+ community!



Buffalo Pride Parade & Festival
Pride in the CLE (Cleveland)
Memphis Pride Festival
Motor City Pride (Detroit)
Chicago Pride Parade
Louisville Pride Festival

June 2, 2024
June 1-2, 2024
May 30 – June 2, 2024
June 8-9, 2024
June 30, 2024
September 14, 2024

1. NYC Pride
2. Pride Month 2024: Origins, Parades & Dates | HISTORY
3. When is Pride Month 2024? History and Calendar of Events (today.com)