TRAINING
This training program is presented by a cadre of volunteer CTA members who are specifically trained in the content area.

SCHEDULING TRAINING
It is recommended that an entire program be considered for all-day Saturday.

REQUESTING TRAINING
Contact the Human Rights Department to request workshop dates and times. Workshops may be requested by Chapter Presidents, Human Rights and Women’s Issues Contacts, Service Center Council Chairs and Primary Contact Staff.

MATERIALS
Workshops are presented at no charge. Requesters are expected to provide appropriate training facilities, A/V equipment and refreshments as needed. Handout materials are shipped by the Human Rights Department to the training location prior to the workshop. Trainers will bring their own training materials.

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California Teachers Association
As part of California Teachers Association commitment to quality public education and equity for all, the CTA Human Rights Department coordinates the Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender Leadership Development Program to assist in creating pluralistic leadership within the California Teachers Association. Major goals of this program are to promote the value of gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender members’ involvement at all levels within the Association.

The program consists of a core of four (4) components that are to be presented in an eight (8) hour workshop sponsored by the service center council or local chapter. Consultation with the Human Rights Department is recommended for assistance in program planning. The four (4) components of the training include:

**Training Components**

**UNDERSTANDING THE SYSTEM-ASSOCIATION ACCESSIBILITY**
This training component presents an overview of the National and State Association governance and program structures with a focus on local responsibility to access power.

**COMMUNICATION FOR EFFECTIVE LEADERSHIP**
This component deals with the importance of good communication with a focus on interpersonal skills, group articulation and intergroup dynamics. Included is a survey of communication styles.

**OBSTACLES TO ASSOCIATION INVOLVEMENT**
This training session examines difficulties experienced by gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender members in becoming successfully involved in association activities and programs. There are discussions dealing with stereotyping and other obstacles.

**EMPOWERMENT FOR LEADERS**
This component focuses on empowering gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender members for leadership in the Association and their responsibility as local Association leaders.