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## GSEC Throws Queer Prom To Celebrate LGBTQ+ And Allied Community

ATTN: CHICO, Calif. - The <u>Associated Students Gender and Sexuality Equity Center (GSEC)</u> is collaborating with Chico campus and community organizations to host Chico State's first <u>Queer Prom</u> on Saturday, March 3 from 8:00-11:00 p.m. in the Bell Memorial Union Auditorium. The GSEC's Queer Program along with <u>Stonewall Alliance Chico</u>, <u>KCSC Radio</u>, <u>Prime Time Productions</u>, and the <u>Office of Diversity & Inclusion</u> are excited to announce Queer Prom, an event that intends to celebrate LGBTQ+ folks and allies during a night of dance, glamour, and entertainment. Admission is free for people ages 18+ and students with valid college ID. A \$5-10 donation is suggested, but no one will be turned away for lack of funds. All donations help fund GSEC's mission to provide free events and services. Appetizers and drinks will be provided.

Historically, prom is meant to be a special coming-of-age celebration for high school students. Unfortunately, prom can often be exclusionary to young people who identify as LGBTQ+. <u>Queer Prom</u> will be a night of celebration free of discrimination or prejudice, as we aim to ensure a safe experience for everyone! There will be zero tolerance for drugs or alcohol. This event is open to everyone regardless of sexual orientation or gender identity. Formal attire is encouraged but not required. **Please join us on Saturday, March 3 from 8:00–11:00 p.m. in the Bell Memorial Union Auditorium on the CSU, Chico campus for a Queer Prom to remember!** 

For more information or accessibility requests, contact our Queer Program Coordinator at <u>asgsec.queer@csuchico.edu</u>, drop by the GSEC office in BMU 004 on the California State University, Chico campus, or call 530-898-5724.

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The Associated Students Gender and Sexuality Equity Center [GSEC] is a student-run activist organization that strives to empower all students through its four programs: the Women's Program, Queer Program, Outreach Program, and Trans Program. The GSEC challenges societal norms that have been used to oppress and marginalize by providing opportunities for leadership, personal development, and referral services. We offer a safe and inclusive space where the campus and community can effectively support the academic mission of the university.