



## The **O**vercoming **H**urdles **I**n **O**hio **Y**outh **A**dvisory **B**oard

### OHIO YAB Youth Stipend Program

#### Program Purpose

The purpose of the OHIO YAB Youth Stipend Program is to cultivate skills and provide leadership opportunities for Ohio foster care youth.

#### Program Stipulations

- OHIO YAB stipends are awarded to OHIO YAB members, who participate in approved events such as:
  - Participating in panels
  - Facilitating youth leadership trainings
  - Presenting workshops
- OHIO YAB Quarterly Meetings are **not** part of the OHIO YAB Youth Stipend Program.

#### Youth Eligibility

- **Age:** Youth must be fourteen or older, and either currently be under the custody of a Public Child Serving Agency or have been under the custody of children services in the past.
- **OHIO YAB membership:** Youth must formally be signed up as an OHIO YAB member (see *Youth Membership Sign Up Form*).
- **OHIO YAB Code of Conduct:** Only youth who have signed the *Ohio YAB Code of Conduct* will be considered to represent “the statewide voice of foster care youth” during events.

#### Program Description

Youth will be reimbursed:

- \$50 dollars for a half-day event (*less than 4 hours, including travel time*)
- \$100 for a full day event (*more than 4 hours, including travel time*)
- \$100 for a video (*because they are giving away the rights to share that video in various forums*)

#### Notification

- Youth are recommended to regularly attend **OHIO YAB Quarterly Meetings** to receive prompt information regarding stipend opportunities, and to maintain an active email account in order to be connected with events and opportunities sent out via emails.