



2016 Community Recognition Awards

Message from DYS Director Harvey Reed Seeking Nominations for Community Recognition Awards

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In partnership with the Governor's Council on Juvenile Justice and the Ohio Association of Juvenile Court Judges, DYS will be recognizing the outstanding contributions of community organizations that provide needed programs and services to youth, as well as the youth that have participated in these programs and have worked hard to make positive changes in their lives. Awards will be presented on December 1, 2016 at the Ohio Association of Juvenile Court Judges Meeting at the Hilton Columbus/Polaris.

At the 2015 Community Recognition Awards, 6 youth were recognized along with 6 programs: Girl's Circle, Mahoning County's Peer Mentor Program, Stark County Family Court's Fulton Road Project, Perry County's ALPHA School, Summit County's Family Reunification through Recovery Court, and Franklin County Empowerment Program. The ceremony provided an exciting forum to celebrate youth successes and thank staff for a job well-done.

Please consider submitting a nomination for the 2016 Community Recognition Awards. The review committee, made up of juvenile court judges and staff, children's advocacy groups and staff from DYS, need your input regarding deserving programs and exemplary youth. Nominations are being accepted on the DYS website at www.dys.ohio.gov (under featured links). The deadline for nominations is October 6, 2016.

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