

Young Professional Conference Scholarship

The purpose of the **Young Professional Conference Scholarship** is to promote the professional enrichment of Ohio Community Action Young Professionals via attendance at the Association's statewide conference(s). To apply for a scholarship, applicants must be:

- Employed by a member in good standing of Ohio Association of Community Action Agencies
- Be 32 years of age or younger
- Have been employed for a minimum of nine months

Each agency is allowed three applicants as determined by the agency's Executive Director.

A maximum of five scholarships will be awarded. Awardees will receive complimentary registration and lodging (up to two nights). The cost of travel to/from the conference—including transportation and per diem—will not be covered by this scholarship and must be paid by the awardees' Community Action Agency.

The application form will include fields for contact information, age, and a place to enter a narrative demonstrating how the applicant will use this opportunity to enhance their knowledge of Community Action, build professional skills, and strengthen their professional role to help their Agency meet new and increasing needs.

Applications will also require a form signed by the applicant's Supervisor and Executive Director/Chief Executive Officer of the applicant's Community Action Agency indicating knowledge and support of the entry. If the applicant's supervisor is the Executive Director, the Executive Director will mark the related box on the form and complete the Application Approval Form.

The first **Young Professional Conference Scholarships** were awarded for attendance at the 2024 Winter Legislative Conference.