



Y Buckeye Bulletin

A Newsletter for the Ohio Alliance of YMCAs

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Ohio Delegates Participate in 2024 National Advocacy Days



The Ohio YMCA delegation brought their unwavering commitment to advocacy for community well-being to the YMCA of the USA National Advocacy Days in Washington DC from February 12 to 14, 2024. With delegates from Countryside, Cincinnati, and Wapakoneta YMCAs, the collective voice of the state resonated strongly in advocating for crucial issues.



Engaging in dialogue with policymakers, they emphasized the importance of equitable access to resources for underserved populations, reinforced the significance of youth development programs, and advocated for policies fostering healthy living initiatives.

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Ohio Alliance of YMCAs Leadership Conference: March 20-21, 2024

Empowering Excellence: Navigating the Path of Ownership in Professional Growth, Self-Awareness, and Leadership

March 20, 2024

8:30 a.m. Registration and Sponsors Open

10:00 a.m. Conference Opening General Session



Keynote Address: Timothy (TA) Alexander, Motivational Speaker and Life Coach

We don't need it to be easy, we just need it to be possible.

Indeed, the path to success often involves overcoming challenges and obstacles. While achieving your goals may not always be easy, the key is to believe that they are possible and then work diligently towards them. Perseverance, determination, and a positive mindset can help you navigate the difficulties and turn possibilities into realities. Remember that some of the most rewarding accomplishments come from facing and surmounting challenges. Keep your eye on your goals, stay focused, and don't be discouraged by the difficulties you encounter along the way.

March 21, 2024

7:00 a.m. Registration and Sponsors Open

8:00 a.m. General Session



Keynote Address: Aaron Baumgartner, CEO, Putnam County YMCA

Mothers Licking Their Babies and Other Common Things that Change Us from the Inside Out

After 23 years in the Behavioral Health Field Aaron Baumgartner brings a unique perspective on life. Join him as he traverses the hilarious subjects of genetic methylation and telomere reconditioning. Learn to laugh at your mitochondria as he explains how relationships (and other things) strengthen us from the inside out, even to the genetic level.

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2024 OneOhio Grants Now Available

The OneOhio Recovery Foundation 2024 Regional Grant Cycle Has Launched!

Ohio Organizations Invited to Apply for \$51 Million In Funds

On March 4, the OneOhio Recovery Foundation launched its first grantmaking process with the release of its [2024 Regional Grant Cycle Request for Proposals \(RFP\)](#). As part of its core mission, the Foundation will allocate as much as \$51 million in the 2024 Regional Grant Cycle, with funding opportunities for a diverse range of Ohio-based organizations, including non-profits, for-profits, and government entities who are on the frontlines of Ohio's opioid battle.

"As our communities continue to feel the devastating impacts of the opioid epidemic, we understand the urgent need to put the Foundation's resources to work helping expand impactful, evidence-based programming and services across Ohio," said Alisha Nelson, executive director of OneOhio. "After months of carefully developing this first-ever program, we look forward to seeing the innovative ideas presented to combat the epidemic in every corner of the state."

The 2024 Regional Grant Cycle will operate by the following schedule:

- **Monday, March 4:** 2024 Regional Grant RFP posted and registration open in the OneOhio Grant Portal;
- **Tuesday, April 2:** 2024 Regional Grant application will go live in the OneOhio Grant Portal;
- **Friday, May 3:** Applications due in the OneOhio Grant Portal.

To support potential applicants during 2024 Regional Grant Cycle, the Grant Headquarters webpage, OneOhioFoundation.com/Grants, includes several resources and training event opportunities.

[Download the 2024 Regional Grant RFP here.](#)



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Ohio Alliance of YMCAs 2024 Meeting Dates

Neighborhood CEO Meetings				
	January (Virtual)	April (In Person)	August (Virtual)	December (In Person)
Northeast	1/9 10-11 am	4/9 10 am – 12 pm	8/6 10-11 am Zoom Link	12/10 10 am-12 pm
Northwest	1/9 11:30-12:30 pm	4/10 10 am – 12 pm	8/6 11:30-12:30 pm Zoom Link	12/11 10 am- 12 pm
South/Central	1/10 11:00 – 12:00 pm	4/11 10 am – 12 pm	8/7 11:00 – 12:00 pm Zoom Link	12/12 10:00-12:00

Statewide CEO Meetings	
Statewide CEO/CVO Meeting	February 7 10 am – 12 pm
Statewide CEO Meeting	June 14 (location TBD) 10 am – 2 pm
Statewide CEO Conference	September 26-27 Nationwide Event Center, Lewis Center, OH

Ohio YMCAs Events/Opportunities	
Ohio YMCAs Leadership Conference	March 20-21 Columbus, OH
Leadership Academy Cohort 4	Launches August 2024
Ohio YMCAs Child Care Summit	Fall 2024 (date TBD) Columbus, OH

National Meetings	
National Advocacy Days	February 12-14 Washington, DC
NAYDO	April 3-6 Denver, CO
Mid-Major Ys CEO/CVO Meeting	September 10-13 Alabama
EMLE	October 2-4 South Hampton Roads, VA
YNAN Ys CEO/CVO Meeting	October 8-11 Tampa, FL

**Statewide Peer Community Virtual Meetings
(Click Meeting Title for Zoom Link)**

	May	November
<u>Aquatic/Swim Team</u>	5/7 10-11 am	11/12 10-11 am
<u>Resident Camp</u>	5/7 11 am – 12 pm	11/12 11 am - 12 pm
<u>Membership</u>	5/7 1-2 pm	11/12 1-2 pm
<u>DEI</u>	5/7 2-3 pm	11/12 2-3 pm
<u>Health/Wellness</u>	5/7 3-4 pm	11/12 3-4 pm
<u>COOs</u>	5/8 10-11 am	11/13 10-11 am
<u>Property/Facility</u>	5/8 11 am- 12 pm	11/13 11 am – 12 pm
<u>HR</u>	5/8 1-2 pm	11/13 1-2 pm
<u>Youth Sports</u>	5/8 2-3 pm	11/13 2-3 pm
<u>Branch Executives</u>	5/8 3-4 pm	11/13 3-4 pm
<u>CVOs</u>	6/13 11 am – 12 pm	11/7 11 am – 12 pm

Child Care	
All at 1 pm (Click Here for Zoom Link)	
January 17	August 21
February 21	September 18
April 17	October 16
May 15	November 20
June 19	December 18
July 17	

Financial Development
All at 2 pm (Click Here for Zoom Link)
February 21
April 17
June 19
August 21
October 16
December 18