

OCAM Conference Scholarship Guidelines:

This year's Ohio Coaching & Mentoring Network's Conference will be held in Columbus, Ohio on Thursday, August 1st and Friday, August 2nd. The theme of this year's Conference is "Amplify & Grow Our Individual Strengths". This two-day conference will have a focus on building professional development skills surrounding emotional intelligence, communication strategies, utilizing your natural talents, leadership, and finding funding opportunities.

What is the OCAM Scholarship?

This scholarship is an opportunity to eliminate the conference registration fee for individuals whose agencies, coalitions, or places of employment do not cover the fees associated with continuing education and professional development opportunities.

What does the OCAM Scholarship cover?

The OCAM Scholarship will cover the following: Conference registration fee (\$150), hotel accommodations for 2 nights for those who live outside of a 45-mile radius from the conference location (5605 Blazer Pkwy, Dublin, OH 43017), mileage to and from the conference hotel (\$0.67 per mile), and two dinner meals up to \$30 each.

OCAM staff will register scholarship recipients for the conference and book their hotel accommodations. To be reimbursed scholarship recipients must submit a reimbursement form and attach two dinner meal receipts, and a google map of your mileage. Reimbursement requests must be submitted by **August 23, 2024**. Requests received after this date will not be processed. Recipients cannot purchase alcohol using funding from this scholarship.

Who is eligible to apply?

Individuals whose agencies, coalitions, or places of employment do not cover the fees associated with continuing education and professional development opportunities.

What is the Scholarship Criteria?

All applicants must submit a written statement (500 word minimum) which includes your current role, future goals in the prevention field, and how attending the conference will benefit your professional development. The statement should also include information regarding why funds are not available to attend the conference.

How to Apply?

Fill out the OCAM Conference Scholarship Application, attach the written statement and submit prior to the submission deadline.

When is the Submission Deadline?

Scholarship applications must be submitted by close of business on Monday, July 1st.

How will scholarships be awarded?

Application approval will be awarded based on meeting the scholarship criteria, demonstrated in the written statement. Follow-up emails will be sent notifying you of your application status.

Important Notes:

Once the application is approved, the scholarship cannot be transferred to another individual.

Scholarship recipients are required to stay for the entire duration of the conference.

If the scholarship recipient can no longer attend the conference for unforeseen circumstances, they must immediately notify Jayla Lee at <u>jlee@prevention-first.org.</u>

Should the scholarship recipient fail to attend the conference, without notification, the recipient is responsible for reimbursing the OCAM Network for registration fees.

For Questions & Additional Information: Contact Jayla Lee at ilee@prevention-first.org