

**Helping Ohio Parent Effectively
HOPE
Accomplishments 2018**

The notable accomplishments of parent engagement by HOPE counties during 2018 include program activities on the state and local levels.

HOPE Statewide Accomplishments

- Addition of Fairfield County Children Services to the HOPE program.
- The Building a Better Future curriculum to promote parent engagement and relationship building between child welfare staff, caregivers (foster and kinship), and primary (birth) parents was updated and revised.
- Ten staff, foster parents and primary (birth) parents completed the Building A Better Future Curriculum.
- The second annual Parent Partner Appreciation Luncheon was held.
- Panel presentations were given at Ohio Family Care Association and Public Children Services Association of Ohio conferences.
- Seven of the HOPE parent partners have become Certified Peer Recovery Supporters.
- Three HOPE parent partners have completed the requirements to be Ohio Child Welfare Training Program trainers.

Local Accomplishments

- HOPE programs in Athens and Fairfield counties have collaborated with the START programs in their areas to extend services to a larger cohort of primary parents.
- Cuyahoga County Children Services in partnership with neighborhood collaboratives was able to employ two parent partners to serve primary (birth) parents.
- Five local HOPE programs (Cuyahoga, Athens, Fairfield, Montgomery and Stark) expanded or developed Succeed support groups for system-involved primary parents.
- HOPE local programs provided one-to-one peer support at 140 Family Team Meetings (FTM) and 365 Team Decision Making meetings (TDMs).

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