

Helping Ohio Parent Effectively (HOPE) Year in Review

In the spirit of the season HOPE parent partners were asked to identify the top accomplishments of the HOPE program in 2017. The notable accomplishments included program activities on both the state and local levels as well as personal accomplishments.

HOPE Statewide Accomplishments

- The expansion of HOPE presentations in 2017 to new groups including, private foster care agencies, addiction service personnel and the START counties in the southeast region.
- The development of Succeed groups including facilitator training
- The revision and presentation of the Building Better Future (BABF) training. Attended by 23 participants including primary parents, caregivers and staff from 4 counties
- Parent Partner Appreciation Luncheon

Local Accomplishments

- Presentations to neighborhood collaboratives on parent engagement and relationship development between foster and primary parents.
- One to one peer support at meetings (staffings, Family Team Meetings (FTM) and Team Decision Making TDM's)
- Succeed Groups
- Partnering with the Quality Parenting Initiative (QPI)

Personal Accomplishments

- HOPE partner parents trained as group facilitators
- Two parents selected to attend the National Convening of foster and birth parents in Seattle, Washington
- Guest speaker to parenting class
- Individual training engagements

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