



## ASSOCIATION OF NEW YORK STATE YOUTH BUREAUS

*The Cornerstone of New York's Youth Development!*

### Invest in the Youth Development Program (YDP)

The 2022-23 Executive Budget appropriated \$14.12 million for the Youth Development Program.

- ANYSYB respectfully recommends the Legislature add an additional \$1.5 million as allocated in the SFY 2021-22 enacted budget, which will keep the funding level as in calendar year 2021.**
- In addition, ANYSYB recommends an additional \$6 million be added in SFY 2022-23 to bring funding back to the 2011 levels.**

In 2011, YDP funding was at \$20.6 million, then slashed again to \$14.12 and has remained stagnant for a decade. The cost of inflation coupled with the increased need in youth development services has skyrocketed. During COVID-19 youth and family services provided by YDP funding increased even more so with not only mental health needs, but food securities, assistance with schooling, substance use prevention and a safe place to be once in-person started to open up.

### Runaway and Homeless Youth Act (RHYA)

The 2022-23 Executive Budget proposes a \$2 million increase in funding for runaway and homeless youth services by supporting the expansion of crisis and transitional living beds for a total of \$6.484 million. **ANYSYB supports this proposal and asks the Legislature to add the \$500,000 reappropriation from previous years.** In addition the Executive Budget included language that would allow a homeless youth to give consent for medical, dental health and hospital services for him/her/they (ELFA Part P), which ANYSYB supports.

### NYS Youth Council

The FY 2023 Executive Budget includes \$200,000 for the continuation of the New York State Youth Council, pursuant to chapter 53 of the laws of 2019. This represents level funding. ANYSYB receives a grant through OCFS to assist in the administration of this Council which has proven positive for New York's youth serving members.

### Youth Leadership Network

Since 2019, ANYSYB has implemented and coordinated a statewide Youth Leadership Network. **ANYSYB respectfully requests the Legislature to once again add \$250,000 in SFY 2023 to sustain and continue the Association's efforts.**

### Summer Youth Employment Program

The Executive Budget appropriates \$46.1 million for this program, which includes \$1.1 million to account for a minimum wage increase. Youth Bureaus across the State support this program.

### Community Optional Preventive Services (COPS)/Supervision and Treatment Services for Juvenile Program

The FY 2023 Executive Budget appropriates \$12.2 million for COPS, representing level funding.

### Supervision and Treatment Services for Juveniles Program

The FY 2023 Executive Budget appropriates \$8.376 million for this program. This represents level funding.