









### **ASSOCIATION OF NEW YORK STATE YOUTH BUREAUS**

The Cornerstone of New York's Youth Development!

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

The FY 2024-25 Executive Budget appropriated \$14.12 million for the Youth Development Program.

 ANYSYB respectfully recommends that the Legislature add an additional \$1.5 million as allocated in the SFY 24 enacted budget and another additional \$1.5 million to meet increased demand and youth totaling \$3.0 million for the SFY 25 final budget.

### Runaway and Homeless Youth Act (RHYA)

The FY 2024-25 Executive Budget proposes level funding of \$6.484 million for runaway and homeless youth services.

 ANYSYB respectfully recommends the Legislature add an additional \$700,000 as allocated in the SFY 2023-24 enacted budget, which will keep the funding level as in calendar year 2023.

#### NYS Youth Council

The FY 2024-25 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. '

ANYSYB strongly supports the New York State Youth Council and ask that this funding remain in the SFY25 enacted budget.

#### Youth Leadership Network

Since 2019, ANYSYB has implemented and coordinated a statewide Youth Leadership Network. ANYSYB respectfully requests the Legislature to once again add \$225,000 in FY 2024-25 to sustain and continue the Association's efforts.

### **Afterschool Programming**

The FY 2024-25 Executive Budget includes \$100.755 million for after-school programs and technical assistance to after-school grant recipients. Funds will extend or expand current advantage after-school or empire state after-school contracts, award new contracts to continue programs where the existing contractors are not satisfactorily performing as determined by the office, award new contracts through a competitive process, and/or, award allocations to municipalities to conduct a competitive bid for such service.

## Statewide Youth Sports and Education Grant Program

The FY 2024-25 Executive Budget includes \$5 million for a statewide youth sports activities and education grant program for underserved youth under the age of eighteen years pursuant to a plan prepared by the Office of Children and Family Services. This represents a decrease of \$600,000. We support this program which runs through Youth Bureaus.

### **Statewide Team Sports Program**

The FY 2024-25 Executive Budget does NOT include funding for this program created by the legislature last year for \$10 million. We strongly request the Legislature add an additional \$10 million to keep these programs and initiatives whole.

### **Summer Youth Employment Program**

The FY 2024-25 Executive Budget appropriates \$50 million for this program, which includes \$2.9 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 2024-25 Executive Budget appropriates \$12.12 million for COPS, with a \$1 million set aside for eligible programs with evaluation results. This represents level funding.

# **Supervision and Treatment Services for Juveniles Program**

The FY 2024-25 Executive Budget appropriates \$11.376 million for this program. This represents an increase of \$3 million. The new \$3 million shall be directed by municipalities in their annual STSJP to support new interventions or additional capacity for youth with multiple detention admissions or arrests in any 12-month period, youth alleged to have engaged in violent behaviors or vehicle-related crimes, youth who leave home without permission, trafficked youth, and/or youth at risk of gang recruitment.