

Let your voice be heard! Youth scholarships available!

# 2008 Foster Youth Career Development & Employment Summit

Are you 14 to 24? Are you passionate about foster youth transition issues?

## Youth Voice at the State Capitol

Join Us January 8-9, 2008 in Sacramento

Youth and young adults who participate will have opportunities to:



- **Share your experiences** with the state legislature, other policy makers, and local service providers
- **Impact systems and public policy** to help improve employment outcomes for foster youth
- **Provide input** about improving career development and employment programs
- **Meet other youth** from across the state who are passionate about these issues

### Youth-Focused Activities

- Youth & young adult panel
- Youth perspective during summit sessions and breakouts
- Current & former foster youth speakers at legislative hearing

## Scholarship Details

Thirty-five scholarships are available for youth/young adults (between the ages of 14 and 24) that include:

- Free registration
- Breakfast and lunch on the 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup>
- Hotel accommodations for evening of the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> (if needed)
- \$45 scholarships for each full day of attendance



## How it Works

Apply by December 14<sup>th</sup> to participate:

- **Step One:** Let us know you'd like to apply for the scholarship by emailing the attached application to [lelliott@newwaystowork.org](mailto:lelliott@newwaystowork.org) or call Lisa or Chandra and (707) 824-4000.
- **Step Two:** Register for the summit at [www.regonline.com/FYCDEsummit08](http://www.regonline.com/FYCDEsummit08) (please check "youth" box).
- **Step Three:** Wait for instructions for hotel reservations.

## About the Employment Summit

You're invited to share your experiences at **California's first Foster Youth Career Development and Employment Summit**. Join policy makers and leaders from agencies that work with foster and probation youth, to help determine the strategies to better prepare foster youth who are aging out of foster care. This exciting, two-day summit will include interactive activities and a legislative hearing at the state capitol. For more information, visit the New Ways to Work website at [www.newwaystowork.org/initiatives/ytat/current.html](http://www.newwaystowork.org/initiatives/ytat/current.html).

**Questions?** Contact Lisa at [lelliott@newwaystowork.org](mailto:lelliott@newwaystowork.org).

### Agenda at a Glance

#### Tuesday, January 8<sup>th</sup>

9:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

- Keynote & Panel Presentations
- Policy Focus Breakout Session
- Solutions Sessions

5:30 - 7:00 p.m.

- Reception

#### Wednesday, January 9<sup>th</sup>

9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

- General Session
- Applying Solutions Locally
- County/Regional Breakout Session
- Commitments/Impact

Afternoon

- Legislative Hearing at the State Capitol

**Youth Scholarship Application**  
**2008 Foster Youth Career Development & Employment Summit**  
January 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup>, 2008 ♦ Sheraton Grand Sacramento

Thank you for your interest in participating in the Foster Youth Career Development and Employment Summit. Please complete and submit this form by **December 14<sup>th</sup>** to apply for a scholarship.

**Youth Applicant Information**

This should be the information of the individual receiving the scholarship

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Social Security number: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of the person you'd like to share a hotel room with: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Make sure she or he registers too!)

**Sponsor Information**

Each youth scholarship applicant must have a sponsor, and youth under 18 must have a chaperone.

Sponsor's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsor phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Sponsor's Agency or Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

**Volunteer & Youth-Leadership Activities**

We're looking for volunteers for the following activities. Please select those you're interested in and we will follow up with more information.

- Youth Panelist**     **Legislative Hearing Spokesperson** (current or former foster or probation youth)  
 **Volunteer** – assist event staff with registration, set-up and break-down, and other summit activities

**Signatures**

**Applicant Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Sponsor Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Guardian Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_  
(for youth under the age of 18)

**Qualifications**

Scholarships are reserved for youth:

- Who are between the ages of 14-24 (those under 18 must be accompanied by an adult chaperone)
- Whose sponsoring agencies are not able to cover the costs of their travel expenses
- Who are volunteering their time to attend the summit

**Submit by December 14<sup>th</sup>** by fax (707) 824-4410 or email [lelliott@newwaystowork.org](mailto:lelliott@newwaystowork.org)

We will notify you by phone or email as to whether you will receive a scholarship and next steps.  
*Questions? Contact Lisa at (707) 824-4000 or email [lelliott@newwaystowork.org](mailto:lelliott@newwaystowork.org).*