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LAKOTA FAMILY YMCA SUPPORTS FOSTER HOMES, KINSHIP, CAREGIVER AND BRIDGES PARTICIPANTS

BACKGROUND

In August 2022-July 31, 2023, Governor DeWine partnered with OHIO YMCA's to provide a free membership to qualifying.

EFFECTIVE DATE

8/14/2023 until further notice

ELIGIBILITY

All Ohio certified foster homes, approved kinship caregivers, and Bridges participants are eligible for a 20% scholarship for 12-months on a membership to Lakota Family YMCA.

- Certified foster homes must prove eligibility once every 12 months by providing both the following:
 - A copy of the family's current JFS 01213 Notice of Approval for Foster Home showing the family is currently certified as a foster home; and
 - A letter from the family's recommending foster care agency on the agency's letterhead indicating the family is in good standing with the agency/State of Ohio and indicates one of the below:
 - Family has had at least one foster care placement within the past eighteen (18) months; or
 - The family is a newly certified foster home within the last six (6) months.
- Approved kinship caregivers must prove eligibility once every 12 months by providing a letter from the agency that approved the family on the agency's letterhead indicating the family is both of the following:
 - In good standing with the agency.
 - Has a current kinship child placed in the home.
- Bridges participants are young adults who have aged out of foster care. Those young adults may or may not have children. If the young adult has no children, just the young adult is eligible for an adult facility membership. If the young adult has children, the young adult and their children are eligible for a family facility membership. Bridges participants must prove eligibility one every 12 months by providing both the following:
 - A copy of the participant's JFS 01617 Bridges Voluntary Participation Agreement showing the participant is enrolled in Bridges; and
 - A letter from the Bridges Grantee on the grantee's letterhead indicating the participant is currently enrolled in Bridges.

QUESTIONS

Contact our Membership Director at HelpCenter@LakotaYMCA.com.