

Hawaii Youth Opportunities Initiative (EPIC ‘Ohana, Inc.) HI H.O.P.E.S. Youth Leadership Board Application

What is the HI H.O.P.E.S. Youth Leadership Board?

The HI H.O.P.E.S. Youth Leadership Board is part of the Hawaii Youth Opportunities Initiative. They are made up of a select group of current and former foster youth between the ages of 14-24. The Board works to provide successful transitions into adulthood for foster youth. Some activities of the Board include monthly board meetings, various trainings, presenting legislative testimony, speaking engagements, participating in community events, developing an advocacy agenda and grant-making. HI H.O.P.E.S. Board members receive compensation for their work.

Eligibility Requirements:

- You were in DHS-CWS foster care on or after your 14th birthday, AND
- You are between the ages of 14 and 24, AND
- You live on Oahu, AND
- **You have the time and willingness to ATTEND and PARTICIPATE fully in monthly meetings and other trainings, events and Initiative work.**

Please review the following deadlines and expected participation dates:

APPLICATION DEADLINE:	January 6, 2012
INTERVIEWS (those selected):	January 9-14, 2012
FINAL SELECTION REVIEW:	January 14, 2012 (HI H.O.P.E.S. Board Mtg.)
HI H.O.P.E.S. ANNUAL TRAINING:	January 20-22, 2012 (YMCA Camp Erdman)

STEP 1: FILL OUT APPLICATION

Date: _____ **Full Name:** _____
Nickname/What You Want to Be Called: _____
Age: _____ **Birthdate:** _____
Still in Foster Care? _____ **Social Worker:** _____
Ethnicity/Nationality (optional): _____
Current School (if attending): _____
Phone: _____ **Email:** _____
Mailing Address: _____
Hobbies/Talents: _____

