

YHSI Training and Leadership Development Q&A

1. Q: Does the RFP envision training and technical assistance partners contributing primarily at the systems level (supporting YAB and CoC alignment), or are you also seeking partners who can embed lived-experience leadership and youth engagement directly within local implementation?
A: The RFP envisions training and technical assistance partners contributing at both the systems and local levels. Partners should support YAB and CoC alignment while also helping to embed lived-experience leadership and meaningful youth engagement within local implementation.

2. Q: Given the strong emphasis on equity and youth leadership/development, would you find value in an applicant whose model integrates both traditional TA infrastructure and youth-led, trauma-informed training delivery—ensuring that young leaders are positioned as co-facilitators and evaluators throughout the project?
A: Yes, we would find substantial value in that approach. We encourage this model and believe it strengthens both system-level capacity and authentic youth leadership development, ensuring that youth voice and lived experience are meaningfully integrated at every stage.