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>>> Peer Support Training for Survivors of Human Trafficking

The Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addictions Services and the Ohio Department of Public Safety are pleased to announce a unique opportunity for survivors of [human trafficking](#) to take the OhioMHAS Peer Supporter training. Peer Supporters use their lived experiences to help others move forward in their recovery. This training is specifically for human trafficking survivors who also have a lived experience of a mental health and/or substance use disorder. The training will be held in Columbus, Ohio during five consecutive Saturdays beginning Feb. 4, 2017. For participants who will be traveling more than 50 miles, OhioMHAS has [Community and Family Partnership Team](#) funds available to reimburse mileage to and from the training, and to pay for lodging in advance. Anyone interested in participating in the training should contact Sharon Fitzpatrick at Sharon.fitzpatrick@mha.ohio.gov by **Jan. 6th, 2017**.

>>> Updated Inventory of Ohio's Human Services Programming Now Available

The State of Ohio currently provides a variety of programs that assist Ohioans prepare for life and the dignity of work. These programs are available at various stages of life when individuals need them most, from ensuring infants are born healthy to providing safety and security in retirement. The Governor's Office of Health Transformation compiled a list of these programs in 2013, and updated the inventory in December 2016. [View inventory](#).

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