

Dear Opportunity Knocks Families,

I am writing today to inform you of some upcoming changes to our program fees. The fees will be increasing in two phases over the course of the next two sessions. The fees are increasing for several reasons. The cost to run and staff our program continues to rise. We are working hard to bring more to the mission in the way of donations, grants, events and fundraising campaigns. As we maximize our efforts in those categories, we must also bring the program fee scale up. We are doing this so that we can continue to sustain the quality of our programs and maintain compliance with our licensing requirements.

- The first increase will be \$2.00, bringing the rate up to \$22/hour, and taking effect with the Winterfall Session, which will open for registration in early August.
- The second increase will also be \$2.00, bringing the rate up to \$24 per hour and taking effect at the start of the Sprinter Session, which begins in early January.

See below for costs and contrast over time..

OK Programs - Block Rates	2026-2027 Rates	2025-2026 Rates	2023-2025 Rates	2017-2023 Rates
Hourly Rate	\$24.00	\$20.00	\$17.00	\$15.00
3 hour-block	\$72.00	\$60.00	\$51.00	\$45.00
OK Programs - Full Day Rates		2025-2026 Rates	2023-2025 Rates	2017-2023 Rates
Hourly Rate	\$24.00	\$20.00	\$17.00	\$15.00
5.5-hour day	\$132.00	\$110.00	\$102.00	\$90.00

We hope that staggering the changes will ease the transition for you and your family. When the process is complete, our rate will be very closely aligned with the waiver-funded reimbursement rate for community day services. We've done our best to keep fees as low as possible for as long as possible. We will continue to take that approach. We make these decisions with respect and care. We will also continue to support our financial assistance program, so please recognize that as needed and reach out.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding these adjustments, please do not hesitate to reach out. Your feedback is important to us. Thank you for your understanding and continued support of Opportunity Knocks.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mike Carmody
Executive Director, Opportunity Knocks