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MyCom, Youth Development Network of Cuyahoga County, Honors Community Youth Voice Award Winners

Alcoa, Cox Communications, Huntington Bank, OhioGuidestone, and Insurance Partners Agency Inc. among the winners.

Cleveland, OH-On Thursday, November 13, 2014, the MyCom Youth Development Network will honor the 2014 Youth Voice Award winners presented by and held at Ariel International Center from 5:30pm-7:30pm.

MyCom is a youth development network led by The Cleveland Foundation, Cuyahoga County, Cleveland Metropolitan School District, the city of Cleveland, and United Way of Greater Cleveland. The MyCom network connects Greater Cleveland's young people with high-quality, neighborhood-based programs and services that provide engaging, educational and affordable opportunities in a safe and supportive environment – helping them to connect, navigate and be productive so they can grow, thrive and reach their true potential. MyCom supports youth development through out-of-school time programs, advocating for youth issues, engaging youth in leadership activities, providing youth employment experiences, and creating neighborhood-based networks.

The MyCom Youth Voice Awards honor Cuyahoga County residents, leaders, and organizations taking action to support the needs of young people in Greater Cleveland. Nominations were received from across Cuyahoga County.

For the first time in the MyCom history, four businesses are being honored for their work with youth in our community and they include: Alcoa's Divisions of Forgings and Extrusions and Tempcraft; Huntington Bank, Cox Communications, and Insurance Partners Agency lead by George Dadas. OhioGuidestone will receive the MyCom Network Agency Youth Voice Award. In addition, eight youth and three caring adults will be awarded a Youth Voice Award for their efforts in the community.

Since October 2014, Neighborhood Leadership Institute has facilitated the MyCom network. Neighborhood Leadership Institute exists to develop grassroots leaders who help rebuild the bonds of community and improve the quality of life for neighborhood residents throughout Greater Cleveland.

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