**APRIL Attendance**

Overall experience that youth gain by attending the APRIL conference traveling outside of their communities and have the ability to be independent which includes all of the follow skills.

* + **Goal**
    - To understand the different marginalized groups that make up our community. To learn how a young person can use advocacy skills to be voice in their local community and in their own lives.
  + **Objectives** Learned from Youth Conference Attendance:
    - Advocacy Skills in the following areas:
      * Housing
      * Transportation
      * Education
        + Include topic of post-secondary education options as well
      * Healthcare
      * Employment
      * How to find your voice
    - History of IL and Disability Rights Movement
    - Diversity: definition and importance
    - Expand and develop social skills and network
    - Disability Disclosure
    - How to be contributing and successful members of their community
    - Peer mentoring opportunities that include learning from other individuals with and without disabilities of all ages.
  + **Objectives** Learned from the Full Conference Attendance
    - Time Management to attend conferences on time.
    - Soft Skills
    - Communication in professional setting
    - Travel independently
    - Budgeting personal resources
    - Networking with other professionals with disabilities that are competitive employment.

**APRIL Youth Conference and Conference Cost Breakdown**

Travel Dates **October 19th to October 23th**

**Airfare** – average cost is $500 (your specific location may be more or less)

**Hotel Room**- $129/per night + 12% tax = $144.48 per night x 4 nights = $577.92

**Per Diem = Spokane Rate is $64 per day**

**[$15 breakfast / $16 lunch / $28 dinner / $5 incidentals]**

Thursday, October 19th Travel day = $48.00 (3/4 per diem)

Friday, October 20th Dinner $28 = $33 (breakfast and lunch provided)

Saturday, October 21st Dinner $28 = $33 (breakfast and lunch provided)

Sunday, October 22nd Lunch $16 = $21 (breakfast and dinner provided)

Monday, October 23rd Travel day =$48.00

**Total Per Diem** =$183.00

**Registration early bird price-** $350 (Youth Conference $100 and Conference $250)

**Youth Total Cost -** $1,577.92