

# **Getting Help From Your Personal Support Network**



As an applicant, you might choose to seek assistance from staff, family, friends, or partners when applying for the Chafee Funds Program - Beyond (CFP-B) of New York State.

#### **Your Account and Application**

## Use your own private email address

- Using your own email address allows us to contact you directly with information you need to apply successfully and collect your award funds.
- To protect your personal and financial information, do not allow others to use their email address on your account, and do not share access to your email account with anyone.

## Fill out the online application forms yourself

 By entering the application information yourself, you can ensure it is accurate and that your personal information remains private.

#### **Application Support**

We recognize there are many reasons why an applicant may seek assistance in completing their CFP-B application.

- The trusted person you ask to assist you could help by reading the questions and answers to you while you enter the information.
- They may also help you use the online application portal functions.

You take on a risk by giving others access to your application. *If you choose to have staff, family, friends, or partners support you, please keep in mind:* 

#### PERSONAL INFORMATION COMMUNICATION **SIGNATURES** Keep control of your Have someone work with You will sign the account - Use your own you, but do not allow Attestation page yourself email address and a anyone to apply for you -By signing, you are You should decide what confirming that you are the password known only to you. information is entered on person who is/was in foster Keep control of your your application so you can care and is now applying for a payment - Use your own be sure it is accurate. CFP-B award. email address or a mailing address where you are sure Remember whoever helps Staff, family, friends, or the mail will get to you. you has access to your partners are not allowed to personal information - Do sign on your behalf. not give your information or your ID documents to others for completion of this application.

Applications filled out incorrectly may be delayed or declined. If it is suspected that a third-party has intervened inappropriately in your application, it will be reported to New York State and further action may be taken. These steps are taken to help deter anyone from claiming your award on your behalf. Award determinations are based on the information provided through the program applications and emails. CFP-B does not accept responsibility for inaccurate information provided.