



## What is Soul Shop?

Soul Shop is the global leader in suicide prevention training for faith communities. We equip faith communities to minister to those impacted by suicidal desperation and help them see that they have significant role to play in the public health response to deaths of despair.

## What is the Ohio Training for Trainers?

The **Soul Shop Training for Trainers** is an intensive **5-day, in-person training across Ohio** designed to equip participants to lead Soul Shop workshops in their own ministry and community settings. Ohio trainees will join a movement of 100 trainers across 25 other states and 5 countries who are leading participants through our 8-hour workshops.

- This training will start at 6pm on Day 1 and end at 1pm on Day 5 (some start on Sundays and some start on Mondays).
- Trainees are expected to attend the entire training.
- The \$3,000 training is being entirely subsidized by the Ohio Department of Behavioral Health in partnership with PreventionFIRST!. Trainees are only responsible for their transportation.
- Five regional trainings will take place throughout the state of Ohio during summer 2026.

## What Is Expected of Ohio Trainers?

Once trainees become trainers, they will be expected to do three of the full-day Soul Shop trainings within the first year and two trainings every year after that. Most of these trainings will be generated from the trainer's network. Once a trainer has done 10, they can also be considered one of the trainers that Soul Shop uses when called.

## What Can Ohio Trainers Expect?

- Generally, trainers can charge for the trainings they do. That is individually negotiated, but trainers can get up to \$1,000 per training.
- All Ohio trainers will be part of a network of other trainers who care about suicide prevention, mental health ministry, and the role the church can play in it. So not only will they be better equipped for the work, but they will be surrounded by a group of people who continue to support them.

## Frequently Asked Questions

What if I've never been to a Soul Shop?

- No worries. The Ohio T4T has a full-day Soul Shop baked in it so you will get to see it then.

What if I'm not a therapist or a pastor?

- You don't have to be either of those. You simply have to...
  - Be a person who has some "insider-ness" in the church (a leader in your church, a deacon, raised a pastor's kid, etc.),
  - Have an affiliation with a community of faith that will help you find places to present the training,
  - Have some interest in mental health/suicide prevention (we'll teach you the rest), and
  - Believe that the church can be part of the solution to what ails us.