Ty has spent time in various communities throughout his life, ranging from the Bay Area to Washington, D.C., and participated in a variety of secular and religious activities. He first acted as a mediator in his sophomore year of high school and found that many of the skills he learned applied to other aspects of his life. He found the ability to actively listen and foster cooperation helped when he worked as a camp counselor at summer camp and aided in resolving conflicts on political campaigns.

Ty became a member of OCDC in 2012 and has enjoyed the experience immensely. He has found it incredibly rewarding and a fantastic way to continue to learn how to encourage cooperation and active communication among factions. As he continues his time at Oberlin and throughout the rest of his life, he hopes to continue to work to address issues of social justice and to foster communication in the multipartial way taught by the Dialogue Center.