

Annual Report

for the year ending June 30, 2016

Louisiana Bar Foundation

The Louisiana Bar Foundation (LBF) is a non-profit 501 (c) (3) entity organized under the state of Louisiana.

We exist to preserve, honor and improve our system of justice by funding, developing and otherwise promoting efforts which enhance the legal profession, increase public understanding of the legal system, and advance the reality of equal justice under the law.

The LBF supports programs that provide free legal services for the poor in all 64 parishes of the state of Louisiana.

The LBF strives to present a complete and accurate list of donors. This publication reflects support from July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2015. If a mistake has been made in your listing, we sincerely apologize and ask that you contact Danielle J. Marshall at (504) 561-1046 or danielle@raisingthebar.org so that we may correct our records.

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President's Message

2015-16 President **H. Minor Pipes III** Barrasso, Usdin, Kupperman, Freeman & Sarver, Ll New Orleans

It is my pleasure to report to you on the activities of the LBF and an eventful year. In 2015, the LBF awarded \$5.3 million in grants, to more than 70 deserving non-profit organizations and public interest legal aid attorneys for social justice initiatives throughout the state.

Now in our sixth year, we continue to serve as administrator of the Child in Need of Care Program providing free legal representation to children in foster care. Last year, the program provided representation to 3,477 children, made over 17,765 court appearances on their behalf. The CINC Program provides more than \$2 million annually.

The LBF began serving as administrator of partial funding from the Office of the Louisiana Attorney General for the federal mortgage servicing settlement in 2013. Our agreement with the AGs office was extended and we are now in our third year with funding through June 2016. In partnership with the legal services corporations, Louisiana Appleseed and the Louisiana Civil Justice Center, this program provides free legal representation to affected consumers. Last year, the program handled 280 bankruptcies, 469 landlord-tenant matters, 70 wrongful foreclosures, provided foreclosure prevention, mediation and relief to 966 clients, provided loan modification, principal reduction and refinancing to 603 clients and participated in 670 housing counseling education sessions.

As you may recall, last year we received \$532,000 from the U.S. Department of Justice/Bank of America Settlement. The funds were used to continue services similar to those provided in our agreement with the Office of the Louisiana Attorney General. I am happy to announce that we have a pending second distribution of just over \$6.5 million for this year. These funds will be used over the next few years and will allow us to continue helping families stay in their homes and stay out of foreclosure and bankruptcy. More specifically, we recommend utilizing the funds to allow for sustainable, increased grant awards moving into future years, prioritizing direct legal services.

In March, the LBF, with the support of the LSBA Rules Committee and the Louisiana Disciplinary Counsel submitted a proposed amendment to the Rules of Professional Conduct 1.15 Safekeeping to the Louisiana Supreme Court. The amendment will help lawyers properly dispose of unidentified funds in their IOLTA accounts and will generate revenue to support legal aid in the process. I am happy to announce that the Court adopted the amendment on March 23. Guidance and instructions for remitting unidentified funds are available on the LBF website.

In June, the LBF and the Louisiana Attorney Disciplinary Board entered into an agreement regarding the increase of pro hac vice fees. The LADB agreed to transfer to the LBF, in an annual single payment, funds generated by the fee increase. Through this agreement, the LBF will award the funds to the three legal services corporations for the provision of civil legal aid services to the indigent. I am happy to announce that the funds generated by the increase through the initial period of July - through December 31, 2015 in the amount of \$54,400 were disbursed to the LSCs in January. We thank Chris Ralston, Larry Shea and the Access to Justice Committee for their work on this new source of funding for civil legal aid.

Over the past two years, the LBF has received nearly \$90,000 in Cy Pres funds from Orleans Parish Civil District Court judges. Our most recent award was directed by Judge Tiffany Chase in January. As you may recall, the Supreme Court adopted Rule XLIII (43) in 2012 naming the LBF a permissible recipient of Cy Pres funds. The LBF is the only organization specifically identified in the rule. We thank the judges for their continues acknowledgement and commitment to the LBF mission.

As you are aware, for the first time since the 2008 economic recession, the feds increased the federal fund target interest rate, continuing it as a range, from 0 - .25 to .25 - .50. We are happy to finally see movement on interest rates, but it is no surprise that banks did not respond with an increase on deposit accounts. At least one and possibly two increases are anticipated by the feds later this year. We do not expect to see a meaningful change in IOLTA revenue until the rate reaches 1%.

In October, the LBF and the LSBA established the South Carolina Disaster Relief fund to offer assistance to the South Carolina legal communities affected by massive flooding. Nearly \$6,000 was collected and donated to South Carolina Legal Services.

Also in October and as part of the LBF's commitment to strengthen grantee board leadership and Louisiana's legal aid network, we hosted a full day of board training for our grantees. The training was held in conjunction with the LSBA Justice Community Conference in Baton Rouge. A variety of topics were presented on board governance, responsibilities and the latest trends in free legal services in Louisiana.

In Partnership with Louisiana Appleseed, the **Fellows Class Project** is a way for new Fellows to become involved and be a part of the LBF mission. The current class is working on a project that will educate Louisiana attorneys about the new "CLE credit for Pro Bono work" rule. Participants are reaching out to attorneys in their geographic area to educate them about the new rule and encourage them to take on pro bono cases.

The **Kid's Chance Scholarship Program** provides scholarships to children of workers who are permanently and totally disabled or killed in a work-related accident. The LBF awarded \$71,500 in scholarships to 17 Louisiana students for the 2015-2016 school year. Since 2004, the program has awarded 235 scholarships totaling \$478,600.

Through the **Oral History Project**, the LBF Education Committee produces a continuing series of oral histories of retiring judges, bar leaders and other legal personalities. Now, with the support of the Community Partnership Panels, the committee has been able to produce 3 times as many oral histories each year since 2012. The Oral Histories can be viewed on the LBF website.

The LBF's nine regional **Community Partnership Panels** work to identify areas of need for LBF funding. The panels foster collaboration, respond to arising community needs and encourage local involvement in directing discretionary grant funds through a flexible process. The panels also provide nominations for the LBF Board, nominations for the distinguished awards and identify new LBF Fellows. This month, the panels will host their Annual Events across the state. Please make plans to attend the event in your area and bring a guest who may be interested in learning more about the Foundation. If you are not already working with your panel, we encourage you to contact your local chair to discuss current initiatives and relay information on any new projects or services that the panels should know about.

One of my goals this year has been to increase LBF membership. We reached out to many bar members and continue our recruitment efforts. For example, in February we sent a letter to the Louisiana district judges inviting them to become Fellows and are seeing several new members through this initiative. I believe every member of the Bar should be a Fellow and I invite you to help us expand the membership of the LBF and continue the ongoing support of the many members of the Bar and the judiciary. We are all very fortunate to be able to practice law and to be able to earn a living through our profession. Through the LBF, we have the ability to pay back for these many great gifts.

It has been an honor and privilege to serve as your President. I would like to extend special thanks to the Board of Directors, Executive Committee, Fellows and the entire staff of the LBF. I have truly enjoyed working with you on our important mission to serve the most vulnerable in our communities. It is with sincere gratitude that I thank everyone who has supported the LBF during my year as president.

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Barrasso, Usdin, Kupperman, Freeman & Sarver, LLC Pipes is a founding member of Barrasso Usdin Kupperman Freeman & Sarver, LLC in New Orleans. He provides counsel in construction law, general litigation, corporate litigation, insurance coverage, bad faith insurance defense and class action litigation. He received his BA from Pennsylvania State University and his JD from LSU Paul M. Hebert Law Center.

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Sherman is an attorney in Baton Rouge. She practiced expropriation, utility and real estate related law with Phelps Dunbar and with Mangham, Hardy, Rolfs & Abadie for over 20 years. She received her undergraduate and JD from LSU Paul M. Hebert Law Center.

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Fellows make an annual dues payment or unrestricted donation, minimum requirement or more, as outlined in the By-Laws Article III to support the ongoing services and programs of the Foundation. Examples of this type of donation may include one or more of the following: annual support, pledge payments, LBF year end donations and/or miscellaneous donations. In accordance with the LBF Articles of Incorporation, Fellows meeting this criteria are entitled to one vote at the Annual Meeting of the Foundation.

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Edward Douglas White Fellow (\$5,000 or more annually)

Edward Livingston Fellow (\$1,000-\$4,999 annually)

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Academic Fellow (\$150 - or more annually)

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30th Anniversary Gala and Awards



Valerie Bowman, The Family Justice Center of Ouachita Parish; Levasseur; E. Jane Sherman 2016-17 LBF President; Vance; Richard; and Barrasso.

The LBF celebrated the **30th Anniversary Gala Friday**, April 8 at Hyatt Regency New Orleans. This year the LBF honored the **2015 Distinguished Jurist Sarah S. Vance, Distinguished Attorneys Judy Y. Barrasso and Herschel E. Richard, Jr., Distinguished Professor Alain A. Levasseur, and Calogero Justice Award recipient The Family Justice Center of Ouachita Parish.** Recognition is given to those individuals who, by reason of his or her professional activities, have distinguished themselves in their chosen profession and have brought credit and honor to the legal profession. Recognition is also given to an individual or organization for a significant contribution to the Louisiana justice system.



H. Minor Pipes III 2015-16 LBF President and Ralston

Chris Ralston was the recipient of the **2016 President's Award**, given in recognition of outstanding support, volunteer service and dedication and advancement of the mission and goals of the Louisiana Bar Foundation. Ralston serves on the LBF Board of Directors in addition to several LBF committees. He served as co-chair of the 30th Anniversary Gala. Ralston is a partner in Phelps Dunbar LLP's New Orleans office.



Christine Lipsey, of McGlinchey Stafford PLLC, in Baton Rouge received the **2016 Louisiana Bar Foundation Curtis R. Boisfontaine Trial Advocacy Award**. The award was established through an endowment to the LBF in memory of Mr. Boisfontaine, who served as president of the LSBA and of the Louisiana Association of Defense Counsel. Donations from Sessions, Fishman, Nathan & Israel, L.L.P., the Boisfontaine family and friends established the fund. The award carries a \$1,000 stipend which Lipsey donated to the Innocence Project New Orleans.

Lipsey and Sherman

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Grants were awarded in April 2016. Funding period is July 1, 2016 - June 30, 2017.

Annual/Sustaining Funding

Building Capital Development\$125,000The Building Capital Development Grant Programawards grants up to \$25,000, on a matching basis,to current grantees with the purpose of assisting inthe acquisition of an office building and/or property.
Innocence Project New Orleans\$25,000Lafayette Parish Bar Foundation\$25,000Metropolitan Center for Women and Children\$25,000Shreveport Bar Foundation\$25,000Southeast Louisiana Legal Services\$25,000
Children's Legal Services \$125,000 The Children's Legal Services Grant Program helps to provide legal assistance to needy children in areas of law which affect their safety, well-being, and future development.
Advocacy Center\$20,000First Grace Community Alliance\$12,500Louisiana Center for Children's Rights\$35,000Louisiana Civil Justice Center\$22,500T.E.A.M.S.\$35,000
Law-Related Education\$125,000The LBF awards grants to entities for law-related educational programs benefitting children and/or the public.
Baton Rouge Bar Foundation\$26,097Baton Rouge Children's Advocacy Center\$6,000Court Watch NOLA\$5,000Louisiana Center for Children's Rights\$12,903Louisiana Center for Law & Civic Education\$48,000LSBA - Diversity Committee\$2,500LSBA - Young Lawyers Division\$5,500Youth Service Bureau of St. Tammany\$19,000
Legal Assistance to the Poor\$2,765,000The LBF awards grants to non-profit entities to provide free direct legal services to indigent clients.
Domestic Violence Programs\$458,246Beauregard Community Concerns, Inc.\$36,367Catholic Charities/Project S.A.V.E.\$46,821Chez Hope\$39,876D.A.R.T. of Lincoln\$28,206

Faith House, Inc.	\$26,312
Jeff Davis Communities Against Domestic A	
Metropolitan Center for Women and Children	
Oasis	\$22,200
Project Celebration	\$40,000
Safe Harbor, Inc.	\$16,000
Safety Net for Abused Persons	\$30,000
Southeast Spouse Abuse Program	\$15,000
St. Bernard Battered Women's Program	\$25,000
The Haven, Inc.	\$25,000 \$35,464
The Wellspring Alliance for Families, Inc.	\$24,000 \$15,000
United Way of Central Louisiana	\$15,000
Legal Service Corporations	\$1,665,000
Acadiana Legal Service Corporation	\$407,430
Legal Services of North Louisiana	\$428,570
Southeast Louisiana Legal Services	\$829,000
Soumeast Louisiana Legar Services	\$629,000
Other Legal Service Providers	\$341,754
Advocacy Center	\$25,000
Arts Council of New Orleans	\$11,000
Catholic Charities of Baton Rouge	\$22,754
Catholic Charities of New Orleans	\$33,000
Catholic Charities of North Louisiana	\$20,000
Frontline Legal Services	\$40,000
Innocence Project New Orleans	\$110,000
Louisiana Center for Children's Rights	\$5,000
Lower 9 th Ward Home Ownership Association	
St. Frances Cabrini Immigration Law Center	
The Southwest Louisiana Law Center	\$15,000
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Pro Bono Projects	\$300,000
Baton Rouge Bar Foundation	\$60,000
Central Louisiana Pro Bono Project	\$11,500
Lafayette Parish Bar Foundation	\$70,500
Shreveport Bar Foundation	\$35,000
Southwest Louisiana Bar Foundation	\$23,000
The Pro Bono Project	\$100,000
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Loan Repayment Assistance Program	\$49,812
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foreigable loans of up to \$5,000 per year	

The Loan Repayment Assistance Program provides forgivable loans of up to \$5,000 per year to attorneys working at an organization supported by the LBF. Applicant identities are anonymous.

New Funding CategorySelf-Represented Litigants Programs\$79,000

This is a new funding category that will help increase access through self-help centers and kiosks in the district courts.

Catholic Charities of New Orleans	\$10,000
Louisiana Civil Justice Center (Concordia Parish)	\$10,000
Louisiana Civil Justice Center (Webster Parish)	\$10,000
Louisiana Civil Justice Center (Iberia Parish)	\$10,000
Louisiana District Judges Association	\$5,000
Shreveport Bar Foundation	\$6,000
Southeast Louisiana Legal Services (17th JDC)	\$8,000
Southeast Louisiana Legal Services (22nd JDC)	\$10,000
Southwest Louisiana Bar Foundation	\$10,000

Child in Need of Care	\$1,990,000
Acadiana Legal Service Corporation	\$780,800
Legal Services of North Louisiana	\$574,200
Southeast Louisiana Legal Services	\$635,000

Special Initiatives	\$312,650
Access to Justice Special Commission	\$50,000
Lousiana Civil Justice Center	\$125,000
Louisiana Appleseed	\$125,000
ProBono/LawHelps Websites	\$12,650

Scholarships, Fellowships, and other projects	\$314,000
Access to Justice Fund Grant	\$50,000
Grantee Board Training	\$10,000
Kids' Chance Scholarships	\$54,500
Legal Education Projects	\$5,000
LBF Fellowships	\$90,000
Pro Hac Vice (To be decided during the year)	\$104,500

Louisiana Flood Recovery \$200,000

Acadiana Legal Services	\$50,000
Legal Services of North Louisiana	\$50,000
Southeast Louisiana Legal Services	\$50,000
Baton Rouge Bar Foundation Pro Bono Project	\$25,000
Lafayette Bar Foundation Pro Bono Project	\$25,000

Discretionary Funding

\$135,000*

Jock Scott Community Partnership Panel Grants

Nine Community Partnership Panels act as regional chapters of the Foundation. These panels identify needs in their community and fund efforts to address those needs. Grants are awarded throughout the year.*

Acadiana

Acadiana	
CASA of St. Landry-Evangeline, Inc.	\$5,000.00
The Extra Mile, Region IV, Inc., A.V.E.C.	
Les Enfants	\$10,000
Bayou Region	
Oral History Project	\$1,000.00
CASA of Lafourche	\$4,000.00
CASA of Terrebonne	\$4,000.00
	\$2,000.00
Chez Hope, Inc.	
Terrebonne Children's Advocacy Center	\$4,000.00
Capital Area	* * * * *
Oral History Project	\$590.00
Cristo Rey Baton Rouge Franciscan High	
School Corporate Work Study Program	\$14,410.00
Central	
Oral History Project	\$3,000.00
Central Louisiana Pro Bono Project, Inc.	\$5,000.00
Faith House, Inc. on behalf of Family	
Justice Center of Central Louisiana	\$7,000.00
Publice Center of Central Louisiana	\$7,000.00
Greater Orleans	
Oral History Project	\$1,000.00
CrescentCare	\$3,000.00
Justice and Accountability Center of Louisiana	
The Pro Bono Project	\$6,705.00
Northeast	
The Wellspring Alliance for Families, Inc.	\$15,000.00
Northshore	
Youth Service Bureau of St. Tammany	\$15,000.00
Northwest	
Project Celebration, Inc.	\$7,500.00
Shreveport Bar Foundation	\$7,500.00
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Southwest	
CARC	\$7,651.31
Girlie Girls Mentoring Program, Inc.	\$2,700.00
Southwest Louisiana Law Center	
Southwest Louisiana Law Center	\$4,648.69

2017 Funding Grantees grantees

Alphabetical listing of grantees including service area.

Acadiana Legal Services Corporation (ALSC) is a private, non-profit law firm that provides free legal assistance in civil cases to lowincome individuals in the southwest and central regions of Louisiana. ALSC provides services in a variety of areas of law including consumer, education, family, juvenile, health, housing and public benefits. (Alexandria, Lafayette and Lake Charles)

Advocacy Center protects and advocates for the rights of people in Louisiana with disabilities and for people who are sixty years of age or older through the provision of legal representation, information and referral, education and training, and systems advocacy. (New Orleans)

Arts Council of New Orleans' Entertainment Law Legal Assistance Project (ELLA) offers pro-bono legal assistance to low-income artists, musicians and grass roots non-profits in Louisiana. ELLA provides assistance with copyright and intellectual property, business incorporation, non-profit incorporation, contract review, contract disputes and other civil law matters. ELLA is a partnership between the Arts Council, Tipitina's and Tulane Law School. (New Orleans)

Baton Rouge Bar Foundation offers a variety of programming for the public, including coordination of free legal services for the poor, law-related education events for children and the public and a teen court for first-time misdemeanor offenders. (Baton Rouge)

Baton Rouge Children's Advocacy Center (BRCAC) works to lessen the trauma experienced by child victims when abuse allegations are investigated, and to provide support during any subsequent proceedings within the criminal justice system. They serve abused children in East Baton Rouge, Iberville, Pointe Coupee, and West Baton Rouge Parishes. (Baton Rouge)

Beauregard Community Concerns - June Jenkins Women's Shelter provides housing, counseling and brief legal services to victims of domestic violence in Beauregard and Vernon Parishes. (DeRidder and Leesville)

Catholic Charities of New Orleans - Immigration Legal Services provides immigration legal services to crime survivors and educates the community and statewide stakeholders on the unique challenges faced by immigrant survivors generally and, in particular, in accessing help from law enforcement. (New Orleans)

grantees

Catholic Charities of Baton Rouge - Immigration Legal Services provides free legal services to immigrants and refugees across Louisiana. A staff attorney and small staff represent clients before U. S. Citizenship and Immigration Services. Their services focus primarily on removal and detention issues. (Baton Rouge)

Catholic Charities of New Orleans - Project SAVE provides free, emergency legal representation to survivors of domestic violence in Orleans Parish. Staff attorneys help with legal orders to keep survivors safe and to protect their legal rights. Project SAVE's legal services include temporary restraining and protection orders, temporary child support, custody and use of property.(New Orleans)

Central Louisiana Pro Bono Project coordinates the provision of free legal services to low-income people in Avoyelles, Rapides and Vernon Parishes. The Project recruits volunteer attorneys to handle cases referred by Central Louisiana Legal Services. The Project also organizes free legal advice clinics in the community where volunteer attorneys answer questions and provide general information concerning various legal matters. (Alexandria)

Chez Hope, Inc. provides a variety of services to victims of domestic violence in St. Mary, Lafourche and Assumption Parishes. Chez Hope offers shelter, legal services, education and children's services. (Franklin and Thibodaux)

D.A.R.T. of Lincoln provides shelter, legal services, education and children's services to victims of domestic violence. (Lincoln, Jackson, Union, Bienville and Claiborne Parishes)

Faith House, Inc. provides a multitude of services to victims of domestic violence in Acadia, Evangeline, Lafayette, St. Landry and Vermillion Parishes. These services include shelter, counseling and legal services. The program's legal advocate assists with protective orders, sets up victim notification systems and advocates on behalf of survivors with the justice system. They also provides domestic violence education to law enforcement, judges, attorneys, hearing officers and clerk of court employees. (Lafayette)

First Grace Community Alliance works with and for people in need, especially women and their children, by meeting food, housing, and other emergency needs, while simultaneously challenging systemic poverty in the greater New Orleans area.

Louisiana Bar Foundation

The Haven works to establish a community-based response to interpersonal and family violence through advocacy, education, prevention, resource development and treatment. The Haven operates an 18-bed shelter in Houma and runs a legal advocacy program that assists victims of domestic violence in navigating the restraining order process. (Houma)

Innocence Project New Orleans (IPNO) represents indigent, innocent prisoners serving life sentences across Louisiana and assists them with their transition into life outside prison after their exoneration. By identifying and remedying cases and causes of wrongful conviction, IPNO holds the criminal justice system accountable for its mistakes, raises awareness of systemic problems and promotes best practices throughout the criminal process to prevent future miscarriages of justice. (New Orleans)

Lafayette Parish Bar Foundation utilizes its Lafayette Volunteer Lawyers pro bono program to ensure that access to justice is available to low-income residents in Lafayette Parish. The Foundation also maintains a law library where pro se litigants can access information relevant to their legal matters. (Lafayette)

Legal Services of North Louisiana (LSNL) is a private, non-profit law firm that provides free legal assistance in civil cases to lowincome individuals in the central and northern regions of Louisiana. LSNL provides services in a variety of areas of law, including consumer, education, family, juvenile, health, housing and public benefits. (Monroe, Natchitoches and Shreveport)

Louisiana Appleseed is one of 16 chapters of National Appleseed, a network of public interest law centers in the U.S. and Mexico dedicated to building a just society through legal, legislative and institutional structural reform. Louisiana Appleseed asks top private practice lawyers, corporate counsel, law schools, civic leaders and other professionals to commit pro bono time to address problems at their root causes, producing practical, systemic solutions to effect change. (Statewide)

Louisiana CASA Association promotes the network of Louisiana's local CASA programs. The Association serves its members through well-planned, relevant activities that carry forward the united mission of finding safe, permanent families for the children they serve. (Baton Rouge)

Louisiana Center for Law & Civic Education is a statewide organization that coordinates, implements and develops legal and

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civic education programs, trains educators in the delivery of these programs and assists with their implementation. (New Orleans)

LSBA Access to Justice benefits Louisiana's statewide justice community in the areas of technology, intake and referral, and disaster or emergency response. (Statewide)

LSBA Diversity Committee provides networking, mentoring and support for high school juniors and seniors who have expressed an interest in the legal profession as well as an opportunity for them to strengthen their research, writing, and analytical skills. (Statewide)

LSBA Young Lawyers Division fosters discussions and interchange of ideas relative to the duties, responsibilities and problems of the younger members of the legal profession in the State of Louisiana; to aid in their advancement; to encourage their interest and participation in the activities of the Louisiana State Bar Association, and, in general, to further the purposes and objectives of the LSBA. (Statewide)

Metropolitan Center for Women and Children was formed to provide services, including legal services, to survivors of domestic violence in Jefferson and Orleans parishes. Metro expanded its legal services to include direct legal representation to the residents of St. Charles, St. John and St. James Parishes. (Jefferson)

Oasis (formerly Calcasieu Women's Shelter, Inc.) provides a variety of services to victims of domestic violence in Allen, Calcasieu, and Cameron Parishes. These services include shelter, counseling, legal advocacy, job training, adult education and childcare. (Lake Charles, Allen and Cameron)

The Pro Bono Project utilizes volunteer attorneys from across southeast Louisiana to provide free civil legal services to the poor in Orleans, Jefferson, St. Bernard, St. Tammany and Washington parishes. The Pro Bono Project provides services in areas of law ranging from employment, housing, public benefits, family and consumer law. (New Orleans)

Project Celebration serves survivors of domestic violence in DeSoto and Sabine Parishes. The program provides shelter, legal advocacy and other services in these two rural parishes. (Many)

Safe Harbor, Inc. provides shelter and a variety of other services to victims of domestic violence in St. Tammany and Washington parishes. Safe Harbor's legal outreach program assists women with the preparation of petitions for temporary restraining orders and protective orders and provides court escort for hearings. (Covington and Slidell)

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Safety Net for Abused Persons (SNAP) serves battered women and their children in Iberia Parish. SNAP provides safe shelter and extensive supportive services in its confidentially located 22-bed facility. SNAP provides legal advocacy for victims and educational workshops and seminars in the community. (New Iberia)

Shreveport Bar Foundation Pro Bono Project provides free legal assistance through volunteer attorneys to low-income and indigent residents of Caddo and Bossier Parishes in both civil and juvenile matters. In addition, the Shreveport Bar Foundation Pro Bono Project offers educational presentations on law-related issues to the general public. (Shreveport)

Southeast Louisiana Legal Services (SLLS) is a private, non-profit law firm that provides free legal assistance in civil cases to lowincome individuals in southeast Louisiana. SLLS provides services in a variety of areas of law, including consumer, education, family, juvenile, health, housing, wills and public benefits. (Covington, Hammond, Marrero and New Orleans)

Southeast Spouse Abuse Program is a family violence prevention and intervention agency assisting survivors of domestic violence and their dependent children serving Livingston, Tangipahoa, St. Helena and Washington parishes. (Hammond)

Southwest Louisiana Bar Foundation provides legal assistance to indigent citizens in five Southwest Louisiana parishes - Allen, Beauregard, Calcasieu, Cameron and Jefferson Davis. (Lake Charles)

St. Bernard Parish Battered Women's Program, Inc. serves victims of domestic violence in St. Bernard and Plaquemines Parishes. The program offers a wide variety of services, including a 50-bed shelter and a legal advocacy program, which assists victims with completing the petitions for protective orders, educates them on the cycle of abuse, informs them of their rights under the Crime Victim's Reparation Act and accompanies them to court for their hearing. (St. Bernard)

Training, Education and Mediation for Students (TEAMS) serves juveniles in need of education advocacy services in Caddo and Bossier Parishes. TEAMS has court appointed education advocates on staff to serve students who are at risk of becoming involved with the court system or who are already involved with the courts. These advocates ensure that the special education and mental health rights of these young people are honored both by schools and the justice system. (Shreveport) **United Way of Central Louisiana** funds human services in part or all of nine parishes in the Central Louisiana area. They convene local leaders to identify high-priority human services needs, to identify effective solutions and to implement those solutions using resources that they mobilize together.

The Wellspring Alliance for Families works to strengthen the family and individuals through direct service, education, advocacy and women's leadership. The Wellspring's domestic violence program provides safe shelter, a crisis hotline and legal advocacy for victims in the northeast corner of Louisiana. The Wellspring is an active partner of the Family Justice Center in Monroe, which is a multi-agency collaboration between legal services, social services and law enforcement that provides a coordinated response to the needs of victims of domestic violence. (Monroe)

Youth Service Bureau of St. Tammany provides advocacy, counseling, education and intervention for at-risk youth and their families, helping them reach their full potential. The program includes courses for young people already involved in the criminal justice system and outreach to more general audiences such as schools. (Bogalusa, Covington, Franklinton and Slidell)



Access to Justice

The Access to Justice Program is a cooperative venture of the Louisiana State Bar Association, the Louisiana Bar Foundation and the Louisiana legal services programs. The committee works to make others aware of the unmet needs of the poor for civil legal services, and can best assist by working toward solutions that can be realized in proper funding of legal services providers and increased participation by the legal community. The mission of the Access to Justice Committee is to support and help strengthen an integrated statewide network to increase the delivery of legal services to the poor of Louisiana.

Children in Need of Care (CINC)

The CINC program provides free legal representation to Louisiana children in foster care in partnership with the Louisiana legal service corporations, the Louisiana Department of Child and Family Services and the Louisiana Supreme Court. As administrator, the LBF provides governance and oversight of the funds and ensures program and financial compliance.

Fellows Class Project

In partnership with Louisiana Appleseed, the Fellows Class Project Series is a way for new Fellows to become involved and be a part of the LBF mission.

IOLTA

The Interes on Lawyers Trust Accounts (IOLTA) program is a unique partnership between the banking and legal communities that enhances the LBF's ability to meet the growing need for free civil legal services to the poor.

Kids' Chance Scholarship Program

Provides scholarships to the children of Louisiana workers who have been killed or permanently and totally disabled in an accident compensable under a state or federal Workers' Compensation Act or law.

Law Signature Schools Courtroom Project

Provides funds for building a courtroom within school that have been designated as "Law Signature Schools" by the Louisiana Center for Law and Civic Education. Law Signature Schools have a core, law-related education curriculum available to high school students.

Louisiana Appleseed

Louisiana Appleseed is part of a network of public interest law centers in the U.S. and Mexico dedicated to building a just society through legal, legislative and institutional structural reform. Louisiana Appleseed asks top private practice lawyers, corporate counsel, law schools, civic leaders and other professionals to commit pro bono time to address problems at their root causes, producing practical, systemic solutions to effect change.

Mortgage Servicing Settlement

The LBF serves as administrator of funding on behalf of the Office of the Louisiana Attorney General for the federal mortgage servicing settlement. This program provides just over \$1.5 million to the LBF for grants to the legal services corporations, Louisiana Appleseed, and the Louisiana Civil Justice Center. Free legal representation to affected consumers is available including but not limited to the homeless; veterans; service members and the unemployed in matters including financial counseling; wrongful foreclosure; foreclosure relief; loan modification; principal reduction; refinancing; foreclosure prevention and mediation; and bankruptcy.

Oral History

The Education Committee produces a continuing series of oral histories. The series is a part of the Committee's plans to systematically broaden the LBF's work to preserve the history, culture and flavor of Louisiana Law. The goal is to put into place a system for regularly recording oral histories of retiring judges, bar leaders and other legal personalities. These video presentations will then be available for use in classrooms, Continuing Legal Education seminars and other venues to preserve, honor, and improve our system of justice.

Pelican Center

The Pelican Center for Children and Families is a nonprofit organization that serves as a comprehensive education and training resource to support effective practice among legal and other professionals serving Louisiana's most vulnerable children and families.

Scholar-in Residence

Intended to enhance the LBF's overall educational program, and to support legal education in Louisiana by bringing the practicing bar and Louisiana's law schools closer together. The Education Committee reviews applicants and makes a recommendation to the board. The S-I-R term is for two years and includes a \$7,500 stipend. During these two years the scholar shall produce an academic work suitable for the intended LBF purpose. The S-I-R can be a professor, lawyer, law school dean, from the general public including teaches writers and other scholars.

Secret Santa

Project of the LSBA/LBF Community Action Committee, this project pairs needy children with local attorneys who buy presents from the kid's holiday wish list. Some of the wishes are as simple as clothes, a toy truck or a doll.

The Interest on Lawyer Trust Accounts (IOLTA) Program

Prime Partners

Prime Partners are financial institutions that are committed to ensuring the success of the IOLTA program and increased funding for legal aid.

Bank of Sunset & Trust Co. (Lafayette) **Guaranty Bank & Trust Co. (New Roads) Basile State Bank (Eunice)** Gulf Coast Bank (Abbeville) Caldwell Bank & Trust Co. (Columbia) Hibernia Bank (New Orleans) **Capital One (Statewide)** Hodge Bank & Trust Co. (Hodge) **Citizens Bank (Ville Platte) IberiaBank** (Statewide) **Citizens Progressive Bank (Columbia) Iberville Bank (Plaquemine) Citizens Savings Bank (Bogalusa)** Lakeside Bank (Lake Charles) **Coastal Commerce Bank (Houma)** Liberty Bank & Trust Co. (New Orleans) **Crescent Bank & Trust (New Orleans)** Marion State Bank (Marion) **Esquire Bank (New York)** Merchants & Farmers Bank & Trust Co. (Leesville) Exchange Bank & Trust Co. (Natchitoches) Midsouth Bank, N.A. (Lafayette) **Farmers State Bank & Trust (Church Point) Patterson State Bank (Patterson) Fidelity Bank (Metairie) Peoples Bank & Trust Co. (New Roads)** First Bank & Trust Co. (New Orleans) State Bank & Trust Co. (Baton Ruge) First Castle Federal Credit Union (Covington) The Cottonport Bank (Cottonport) **First National Bank of Benton (Benton)** The Highlands Bank (Jackson) **First National Bank USA (Boutte) Tri Parish Bank (Eunice)** First NBC Bank (New Orleans) Vermilion Bank & Trust Co. (Kaplan) Franklin State Bank & Trust Co. (Winnsboro)

Eligible Institutions

Eligible institutions are financial institutions that meet the standards of the eligibility requirement as defined by IOLTA Rule 1.15. They are committed to the success of the IOLTA program and support legal aid.

American Bank & Trust Co., Inc. (Covington) American Bank & Trust Co. (Opelousas) Anthem Bank & Trust (Plaquemine) BancorpSouth Bank (Baton Rouge, Monroe, Shreveport) Bank of Abbeville & Trust Co. (Abbeville) Bank of Commerce & Trust Co. (Crowley) Bank of Erath (Abbeville, Delcambre) Bank of Gueydan (Gueydan) Bank of Louisiana (New Orleans) Bank of Montgomery (Montgomery) Bank of Ruston (Ruston) Bank of St. Francisville (St. Francisville) Bank of Winnfield & Trust Co. (Winnfield) Bank of Zachary (Zachary) Business First Bank (Baton Rouge) Campus Federal Credit Union (Baton Rouge) Catahoula Bank (formerly Bank of Jena) Chase (Statewide) Citizens Bank & Trust (Mandeville) Citizens Bank & Trust Co. (Plaquemine) Citizens Bank & Trust Co. (Vivian) Citizens National Bank, N.A. (Bossier City) City Bank & Trust Co. (Natchitoches) City Savings Bank & Trust Co. (DeRidder) Commerce Community Bank (Oakgrove) Community Bank of Louisiana (Mansfield) Community First Bank (New Iberia) Concordia Bank & Trust Co. (Vidalia) Cross Keys Bank (Tallulah)

Delta Bank (Ferriday) Farmers-Merchants Bank & Trust Co. (Breaux Bridge) First American Bank & Trust (Vacherie) First Federal Bank of Louisiana (Lake Charles) First Guaranty Bank (Hammond) First National Bank (DeRidder) First National Bank (Ruston) First National Bank of Louisiana (Crowley) Florida Parishes Bank (Hammond) Guaranty Bank & Trust Co. (Delhi) Gulf Coast Bank & Trust (New Orleans) Hancock Bank (Baton Rouge) Home Bank, N. A. (Lafayette) Home Federal Savings & Loan (Shreveport) Homeland Federal Savings Bank (Columbia) Investar Bank (Baton Rouge) Jackson Parish Bank (Jonesboro) Jeff Davis Bank & Trust Co. (Jennings) Jefferson Financial Credit Union (Harvey) Jonesboro State Bank (Jonesboro) Kaplan State Bank (Kaplan) Landmark Bank (Clinton) MBL Bank (Minden) MC Bank & Trust (Morgan City) Metairie Bank & Trust Co. (Metairie) Mississippi River Bank (Belle Chasse) Mutual Savings & Loan Association (Metairie) Origin Bank- formerly Community Trust Bank (Choudrant) Ouachita Independent Bank (West Monroe)

Plaquemine Bank & Trust Co. (Plaquemine) Progressive Bank (Winnsboro) Rayne State Bank & Trust Co. (Rayne) Red River Bank (Alexandria) Regions Bank (Statewide) Resource Bank (Covington) Richland State Bank (Rayville) Sabine State Bank (Many) St. Landry Bank & Trust Co. (Opelousas) St. Landry Homestead, FSB (Opelousas) St. Martin Bank & Trust Co. (St. Martinville) Shell New Orleans Federal Credit Union (New Orleans) South Lafourche Bank (Larose) South Louisiana Bank (Houma) Southern Heritage Bank (Jena) State Bank & Trust Co. (Golden Meadow) Synergy Bank (Houma) Teche Bank & Trust Co. (St. Martinville) Tensas State Bank (Newellton) The Bank (Jennings) The Evangeline Bank & Trust Co. (Crowley, Ville Platte) The First National Bank of Jeanerette (Jeanerette) The Union Bank (Marksville) United Community Bank (Gonzales) Washington State Bank (Washington) Whitney Bank (Statewide) Winnsboro State Bank & Trust Co. (Winnsboro)

(as of June30, 2016)

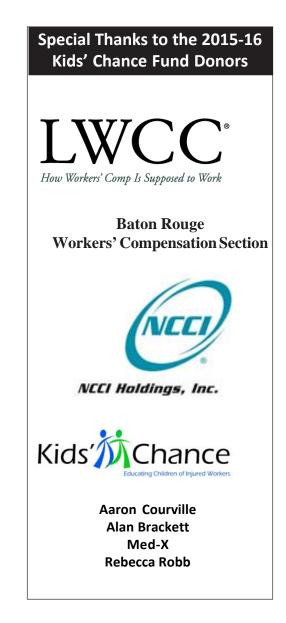


Kids' Chance Scholarship Program

Kids' Chance awards scholarships to children of Louisiana workers killed or permanently and totally disabled in an accident compensable under a state or federal workers' compensation act or law. In the 2015-16 academic year, \$71,500 in Kids' Chance scholarships were awarded to 17 deserving students.

2015-16 Kids' Chance Scholarship Recipients

Caleb Adams, West Monroe Kaitlyn Arseneaux, Lafayette **Brittany Bailey, Deridder** Allana Gross, Marrero Jessica Harper, Eros **Heather Jones, New Orleans** Katelyn Kerner, Jefferson Grant Klentzman, New Iberia Anna LaGrange, Breaux Bridge **Tabitha Monceaux, Sulpher Taylor Morris, Sulpher Casey Shelton, Denham Springs Alexander Stroh, Lake Charles** Lauren Stroh, Lake Charles Christina Theils, Alexandria Jacob Underwood, Leesville Alesha Widcamp, Lake Charles





Kids' Chance of Louisiana is a member of the national organization of Kids' Chance programs.

Golf Tournament Benefits LBF Kids' Chance Program

The Louisiana Workers' Compensation Corporation (LWCC) held its annual golf tournament October 2015 donating all proceeds to the Louisiana Bar Foundation (LBF) Kids' Chance Scholarship Program.

At a ceremony prior to the golf tournament, LBF Kids' Chance presented mock checks to scholarship recipients and a certificate of appreciation was presented to LWCC.

The LBF Kids' Chance Program has been the recipient of the LWCC golf tournament proceeds for twelve years. All money raised goes to the scholarship fund.

2015 LWCC Golf Sponsors

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1st Kids' Chance Awareness Week November 2-6 2015

Kids' Chance believes that we can make a significant difference in the lives of all children affected by a workplace injury by helping them pursue and achieve their educational goals. Kids' Chance Awareness Week is designed to increase our visibility through special outreach events in each state that will spread the word about Kids' Chance scholarship opportunities. For more information on Kids' Chance or to find out how you can make a donation to the Kids' Chance Scholarship Fund, contact Dennette Young at (504) 561-1046 or dennette@raisingthebar.org or visit <u>www.raisingthebar.org/ kidschance.</u>

Louisiana Bar Foundation Statements of Financial Position

As of June 30,		2016		2015
			(Restated)
ASSETS				
Current assets				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	6,886,482	\$	806,340
Investments		4,417,609		5,378,549
Grants receivable		2,028,952		2,399,157
Prepaid expenses and deposits		15,420		15,430
Total current assets		13,348,463		8,599,476
Non-current sssets				
Promises to give, long term - less allowance				
for doubtful accounts of \$3,750 and \$3,750		33,750		33,750
Total non-current assets	_	33,750	2	33,750
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	13,382,213	\$	8,633,220
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS				
Current liabilities				
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$	23,588	\$	30,436
Grants payable		5,603,828		5,399,323
Total current liabilities		5,627,416		5,429,759
Non-current liabilities				
Deferred lease payable		53,151		68,533
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Total non-current liabilities				5,498,292
Total liabilities		5,680,567		5,150,251
		5,680,567		5,156,25
Total liabilities		5,680,567 6,285,297		
Total liabilities Net assets:				1,710,853 870,292
Total liabilities Net assets: Unrestricted		6,285,297		1,710,85 870,29
Total liabilities Net assets: Unrestricted Temporarily restricted		6,285,297 861,558		1,710,85



Please Support the Louisiana Bar Foundation

We invite everyone to make a donation to the Louisiana Bar Foundation. A gift demonstrates belief in our mission to preserve, honor and improve our system of justice. Your generosity will also help strengthen the programs we support and the services we provide.

Annual support provides a dependable source of unrestricted gifts that may be applied to the areas of greatest need. There are a variety of ways for Fellows to make an annual donation:

- Annual Support Statement Mailed to all Fellows on their anniversary date
- Spring and Fall Annual Drive Mailed in the Spring and Fall to Fellows
- Summer Newsletter The summer newsletter and donation envelope are mailed to Fellows in June
- **Year End Gift** The winter newsletter includes an opportunity to make the LBF a priority among the organizations supported at year end

Other ways to make a donation to the Louisiana Bar Foundation:

- **Become a Fellow** -Louisiana Bar Foundation membership is a statement of commitment to fairness and equal access for all to the justice system.
- Memorial and Tribute gifts Make a donation in honor of or in memory of a loved one, friend or colleague
- **Corporations and Foundations** Join the growing list of Louisiana corporations and foundations who support the LBF

