

\$ 14.4 Million

for Civil Justice Initiatives in 2025-26

Since 1989 the LBF has granted more than **\$148 Million** in grants to help people across a range of issues, including assistance for veterans and military families, domestic violence, senior and elderly services, child welfare services, housing, and unemployment.

The Louisiana Bar Foundation Board approved **\$14.4 Million** in grants for 2025-26 fiscal year, which began on July 1, 2025.

Building Capital Development **\$167,153**

Grants up to \$50,000, on a 50% to 50% ratio matching basis, to current grantees with the purpose of assisting in the acquisition or renovation of an office building and/or property.

Acadiana Legal Service Corporation	\$50,000
Baton Rouge Bar Foundation	\$40,250
Shreveport Bar Foundation	\$26,903
The Wellspring Alliance for Families	\$50,000

Children's Legal Services **\$400,000**

Helps to provide legal assistance to needy children in areas of law which affect their safety, well-being, and future development.

Baton Rouge Children's Advocacy Center	\$5,000
Catholic Charities - Diocese of Baton Rouge	\$50,000
Catholic Charities Archdiocese of New Orleans	\$65,000
Disability Rights Louisiana	\$55,000
Family and Youth Counseling Agency, Inc.	\$20,000
First Grace Community Alliance	\$70,000
Louisiana Center for Children's Rights	\$55,000
Loyola University New Orleans College of Law (Immigration)	\$15,000
Loyola University New Orleans College of Law (Education)	\$20,000
T.E.A.M.S.	\$45,000

Domestic Violence Programs **\$1,500,000**

Essential services provided by these agencies are legal services, education of domestic/dating violence, and establishing collaborative relationships with law enforcement, judges, clerks of court, and prosecutors.

Beauregard Community Concerns	\$49,000
Chez Hope, Inc.	\$122,500
D.A.R.T (Domestic Abuse Resistant Team)	\$71,467
Faith House, Inc.	\$112,700
Family and Youth Counseling Agency, Inc.	\$15,000
Family Justice Center of Central Louisiana	\$147,000
Family Violence Program of St. Bernard	\$49,000
Jeff Davis Communities Against Domestic Abuse	\$25,480
Metro Centers for Community Advocacy	\$93,100
Oasis A Safe Haven	\$49,000
Project Celebration, Inc.	\$126,420
Project SAVE	\$157,786
Safe Harbor	\$58,800
Southeast Spouse Abuse Program	\$126,787
The Haven, Inc.	\$122,500
The Wellspring Alliance For Families	\$173,460

Law-Related Education **\$275,000**

For law-related educational programs benefitting children and/or the public.

Baton Rouge Bar Foundation	\$55,000
Baton Rouge Children's Advocacy Center	\$35,000
Catholic Charities - Diocese of Baton Rouge	\$52,500
Emergency Legal Responders	\$10,000
Family and Youth Counseling Agency, Inc.	\$5,000
Louisiana Center for Law and Civic Education	\$57,500
Louisiana State Bar Association Young Lawyers Division	\$10,000
Youth Service Bureau of St. Tammany	\$50,000

Legal Services Corporations **\$4,000,000**

Provide civil legal services to the indigent in each parish of the state.

Acadiana Legal Service Corporation	\$1,985,624
Southeast Louisiana Legal Services	\$2,014,376

My Community Cares **\$375,000**

Strengthens families and prevents child abuse and neglect ultimately reducing the need for foster care. Funding is for full-time attorney positions fully dedicated to MCC work.

Fostering Community	\$75,000
Loyola University New Orleans College of Law	\$75,000
Shreveport Bar Foundation	\$75,000
The Extra Mile	\$75,000
The Wellspring Alliance For Families	\$75,000

Other Legal Service **\$845,000**

These programs provide legal services of a special nature such as mental health and child advocacy mediation.

Catholic Charities Diocese of Baton Rouge	\$133,655
Catholic Charities of North Louisiana	\$125,000
Disability Rights Louisiana	\$75,000
Frontline Legal Services, Inc.	\$75,000
Innocence Project New Orleans	\$10,000
Justice and Accountability Center of Louisiana	\$100,000
Louisiana Center for Children's Rights	\$38,591
Louisiana Guardianship Services, Inc.	\$30,000
NO/AIDS Task Force dba CrescentCare	\$90,382
Southwest Louisiana Law Center	\$30,000
St. Frances Cabrini Immigration Law Center	\$80,000
STARC of La., Inc.	\$7,500
The Ella Project	\$18,000
Workplace Justice Project	\$31,872

Pro Bono Projects **\$1,350,000**

Often operated by the local bar association, these projects utilize the local private bar to handle cases for the poor pro bono in many legal areas.

Baton Rouge Bar Foundation	\$211,000
Central Louisiana Pro Bono Project, Inc.	\$97,710
Lafayette Bar Foundation	\$145,000
Northeast Louisiana Bar Foundation	\$124,000
Shreveport Bar Foundation	\$205,000
Southwest Louisiana Bar Foundation	\$128,290
The Pro Bono Project	\$439,000

Access to Justice Fund Grants **\$50,000**

Promotes administration of justice and benefits Louisiana's statewide justice community. Initiatives for consideration must meet at least one of the following criteria: The advancement and maintenance of statewide technology, the coordination of statewide intake and referral, or disaster/emergency response.

Disability Rights Louisiana	\$30,000
Lagniappe Law Lab/Louisiana Appleseed	\$15,000
The Pro Bono Project	\$5,000

Kids' Chance Scholarships **\$34,750**

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.

Loan Repayment Assistance Program **\$86,626**

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. Recipient identities are kept confidential.

Pro Hac Vice **\$100,000**

A portion of the fees collected by the Louisiana state courts through motions for pro hac vice admission filed by out-of-state lawyers not licensed to practice law in Louisiana are directed to the LBF for distribution for the Legal Service Corporation's programs providing civil legal aid in Louisiana.

Special Program and Project Grants **\$700,000**

Collaboration with justice community stakeholders providing umbrella support services to several or all civil legal aid providers.

State of Louisiana Child in Need of Care and Adult Civil Legal Aid Services **\$4,084,853**

Through Acadiana Legal Service Corporation and Southeast Louisiana Legal Services this funding provides free legal representation to children in need of care, foster care, and non-custodial and for the provision of adult civil legal services within the state's civil justice system.

Jock Scott Community Partnership Panel Grants **\$500,000**

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.



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