

# Bring Justice Within Reach: Make a Year End Impact

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**A**s we enter this holiday season—a time for reflection, gratitude, and generosity—I am reminded of how deeply the spirit of giving shapes the work of the Louisiana Bar Foundation. The holidays inspire us to care for our neighbors, to assist those facing hardship, and to strengthen the communities we call home. It is in this spirit that we at the Louisiana Bar Foundation are taking time to reflect on a year in which our mission—to preserve, protect and advance civil legal aid and access to justice for all Louisianans—has never been more vital.

Every day, across our state, vulnerable families and individuals face profound legal challenges: survivors seeking safety from domestic violence, children navigating the foster care system, veterans striving for housing stability, seniors confronting fraud or exploitation and communities rebuilding after

disaster. For many, civil legal aid is the difference between fear and safety, instability and hope, crisis and recovery.

The Louisiana Bar Foundation is the primary funder of civil legal aid in Louisiana. Through our network of grantees and strategic partners, we support thousands of people each year who would otherwise have nowhere to turn. And yet, the need continues to outpace available resources.

I ask you to join us in supporting our essential work. Your year-end gift—no matter the size—has a direct, measurable impact on the lives of those who rely on our civil legal aid partners for protection, stability, and hope.

Your financial support helps ensure that:

► Survivors of domestic violence find safety and legal protection.

► Children have advocates who safeguard their well-being.

► Families facing eviction receive fair treatment in the courts.

► Vulnerable communities have access to justice, not just in principle but in practice.

I invite you to make your tax-deductible contribution today. Together, we can continue building a more just and equitable Louisiana—one case, one family, one community at a time.

Giving is easy: please visit our website at <https://give.raisingthebar.org/a/give> or simply mail your contribution to: Louisiana Bar Foundation, 601 Poydras Street, Suite 1777, New Orleans, LA 70130.

On behalf of the Board of Directors and staff, thank you for your commitment to justice and your belief in the work of the Louisiana Bar Foundation. Your generosity ensures that our mission is not just an aspiration, but a reality for countless Louisianans. Together, we can provide impact that lasts far beyond this season of giving.

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