The Texas Bar Foundation solicits charitable contributions and provides funding to enhance the rule of law and the system of justice in Texas, especially for programs that relate to legal assistance for the underserved, the administration of justice, ethics in the legal profession, the encouragement of legal research, publications and forums, and education of the third branch of government.
GRANTS

ST. MARY’S UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW

Alternative Spring Break

Since 1999, St. Mary’s University School of Law has given law students the opportunity to use their spring break in service to their community by participating in the Alternative Spring Break program. The ASB program sends law students to work with host organizations to develop their lawyering skills and doctrinal classes in a real-world setting.

Two of the primary goals for the program are to offer students the opportunity to partner with legal organizations to increase the availability of legal services to those in need, and to inculcate students in an ethic of service and commitment to pro bono throughout their professional careers.

A $4,000 grant from the Texas Bar Foundation assisted St. Mary’s University School of Law in sending seventy-two St. Mary’s law students to participate in pro bono work during ASB.

This ASB program is especially important for the population of law students St. Mary’s serves, which is a high percentage of first-generation college graduates and students from low-income backgrounds.

"The Texas Bar Foundation’s generous grant empowered service-minded students from diverse backgrounds to take part in public interest legal placements across Texas and in Washington, DC.

We are grateful for the Texas Bar Foundation’s support of our students as they develop as advocates committed to expanding access to justice."

Greg Zlotnick
Director of Pro Bono Programs, St. Mary’s University School of Law
RUSK-PANOLA CHILDREN’S ADVOCACY CENTER

Thorough Investigations Including Trafficking, Sextortion and Harassment

The Rusk-Panola Children’s Advocacy Center’s mission is to reduce trauma, facilitate recovery, and present legally sound cases for prosecution when child abuse occurs in Rusk and Panola counties.

Rusk-Panola CAC was awarded $20,000 from the Texas Bar Foundation to provide state of the art investigative tools to partners allowing for more timely and thorough investigations into allegations of sexual abuse, indecency, trafficking, sextortion and pornography cases.

The grant funds will allow for the purchase of software that will enable investigators to extract data and analyze data transfers for mobile devices and phones. This program will allow for critical evidence to be recovered to either substantiate or disprove allegations.

HOUSTON VOLUNTEER LAWYER’S PROGRAM, INC.

Pro Bono Portal Education

The mission of the Houston Volunteer Lawyers is to provide free civil legal services to low-income people in Harris County and to promote volunteerism among lawyers.

A $19,547 grant from the Texas Bar Foundation will allow HVL to upgrade the educational resources available to pro bono volunteers, encouraging them to take more pro bono cases. These funds will allow HVL to create an online educational portal for volunteers with improved delivery of trainings, quality of materials and accessibility.

The end goal is to empower volunteers to take on pro bono cases that are outside of their typical practice area.

“The Pro Bono Education Portal simplified our way of delivering legal resources, CLEs and other reference materials to pro bono volunteer attorneys, by streamlining the delivery method from an inhouse proprietary software to a simple, web-based application in Houston Volunteer Lawyers’ SharePoint repository.”

Marilyn Brown
Grants Attorney, Houston Volunteer Lawyer’s Program, Inc.
The continued generosity and loyal support from its Fellows has allowed the Texas Bar Foundation to be instrumental in improving the lives of the people of Texas. The Foundation funds grants that relate to one of the five program areas:

- **Legal Aid for the Underserved/Underprivileged**
- **Education of the Third Branch of Government**
- **Victim Legal Services or Service for Moderate Income**
- **Professionalism/Research/Publications/Forums**
- **Administration of Justice**

During 2019-2020, the Texas Bar Foundation awarded funding to 106 nonprofit organizations totaling $1,403,581.

For a more detailed description of each grant, refer to the Texas Bar Foundation website at [www.txbf.org](http://www.txbf.org).

### Grants Awarded 2019-2020

- **Advocacy Alliance Center of Texas** $6,930
  - AACT 2020 Youth Summit: The Voice of Our Community
- **Aid to Victims of Domestic Abuse** $7,500
  - Legal Advocacy Billboard Awareness Project
- **Alliance for Children** $20,000
  - Children's Services Advocate
- **Alzheimer's Assoc. - South Central Texas Chapter** $5,000
  - Legal and Financial Education in the Texas Hill Country
- **American Bar Assoc. Fund for Justice and Education** $50,000
  - ProBARS
- **Arlington Urban Ministries** $2,500
  - Theozing Families Eviction Prevention Court Fees
- **Austin Classical Guitar** $2,500
  - Classical Guitar Education for Youth in the Juvenile Justice System
- **Austin Community Law Center** $15,000
  - Family Safety Legal Clinics
- **AZAR Foundation, Inc.** $10,000
  - Youth Advocacy Program
- **Big Country CASA** $10,000
  - A CASA for Every Child
- **Big Thought** $22,000
  - Creative Solutions: Sustainability & Expansion
- **Bluebonnet Children's Center Tri-County CASA** $5,200
  - CASA for Kids
  - CASA for Kids of East Texas, Inc.
  - CASA for the Cross Timbers Area, Inc.
  - CASA for the Northeast Texas CASA Coalition
  - CASA of Galveston County
  - CASA of Liberty Chambers Counties
  - CASA of Tarrant Country Inc.
  - CASA Recruitment Initiative
  - CASA of Williamson County Texas
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- **CASA of the Coastal Bend** $10,610
  - Volunteer Advocate Recruitment/Training Project
  - CASA of the Coastal Bend
  - CASA Recruitment Initiative
  - CASA Recruitment Initiative
- **Catholic Charities of Central Texas** $28,000
  - Removal Defense Representation for Immigrants Seeking Asylum or Other Remedies
  - Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Galveston-Houston
  - Immigration Legal Services for Migrant Youth
  - Center Against Sexual and Family Violence
  - Central Texas Dispute Resolution Center
  - Training for Volunteer Mediators
  - Child Advocates San Antonio (CASA)
  - Change a Child's Story
  - Children at Risk
  - True Freedom: Helping Trafficking Advocates Implement Outreach
  - ChildSafe
  - Expanded Care Coordination for Child Victims of Sexual Exploitation/Trafficking
  - Citizens for Educational Excellence
  - Emerging Professionals Internship Program: Legal Studies
  - CitySquare
  - LAF (Legal Action Works)
  - Communities in Schools of the Coastal Bend
  - PROS - Focus On Reducing Cyberbullying
  - Educating in Schools
  - Community Christian Legal Aid
  - Lawyers for Legal Aid Training Project
  - Community Justice Foundation
  - Infrastructure Enhancements to Increase Extended Legal Services
- **Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Galveston-Houston** $10,000
  - Immigration Legal Services for Migrant Youth
  - Center Against Sexual and Family Violence
- **CASA of Williamson County Texas** $10,000
  - Immigration Legal Services for Migrant Youth
- **CASA Recruitment Initiative** $7,200
  - CASA Recruitment Initiative
- **Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA)** $8,000
  - Community of Advocacy Project
- **Court Appointed Special Advocates of Southeast Texas, Inc.** $1,480
  - CASA Recruitment Initiative
- **Dallas Children's Advocacy Center** $7,500
  - Partner Relations Program
- **David's Legacy Foundation** $19,795
  - Education and Pro Bono Legal Services to Combat Bullying in El Paso
- **Denton County Friends of the Family, Inc.** $10,000
  - Legal Services and Advocacy for Victims of Intimate Partner Violence
- **Denton County Lawyers Foundation** $7,500
  - Trial and Transactions Academy
- **Domestic Relations Office (DRO) of Tarrant County** $6,738
  - NCS Interview Recording Project
- **The Equal Justice Center** $8,000
  - Employment Legal Aid for Low-Wage's Harvey Reconstruction Workers
- **Family Eldercare** $15,000
  - Expanding Access to Advance Care Planning
- **Fe y Justicia Workers Center** $30,000
  - The Fe y Justicia Community Consultation Legal Center
- **Fifth Ward Community Redevelopment Corp.** $30,000
  - Capacity Building for Restorative Justice and Preventive Services
- **For the Sake of One** $30,000
  - Support for Families in Distress
- **Foster Care Advocacy Center** $7,450
  - Process and Outcome Evaluation for Year 1 of Foster Care Advocacy Center
- **Generation Citizen** $5,000
  - Democracy Coaches: Equipping Near-Peer Civic Mentors
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Each year, the Texas Bar Foundation is honored to receive memorial and honor gifts presented in memory of a loved one, mentor or colleague, or as a remembrance of a birthday, anniversary or other special occasion. These generous gifts help fund charitable programs throughout the state.

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4 GRANTS
2%

WEST TEXAS
$43,405
4 GRANTS
3%

VALLEY AND GULF COAST
$156,240
11 GRANTS
11%

STATEWIDE
$316,179
14 GRANTS
23%

NORTHEAST TEXAS
$344,678
33 GRANTS
24%

CENTRAL TEXAS
$260,460
21 GRANTS
18%

SOUTHEAST
$257,219
19 GRANTS
18%

AWARDS
$13,000
5 DONATIONS
1%
**Texas Lawyers’ Assistance Program**

What Every Lawyer and Law Student Must Know About Depression and Suicide

The Texas Lawyers’ Assistance Program provides confidential help for law students, lawyers and judges who are experiencing problems with substance abuse and mental health issues.

The Texas Bar Foundation is proud to partner with TLAP to support a project that will provide education, materials and resources to Texas lawyers and law students regarding depression and suicide prevention.

Lawyers have consistently been at or near the top of the list of all professionals in suicide rates. Research shows that lawyers are the most often depressed professionals out of 105 professions.

This project will deliver information and resources via video programs featuring personal stories, podcast style interviews, live presentations across the state and in law schools, educational materials for distribution and CLE content. Lawyers, law students and the broader legal community will also have access to information and resources online.

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**2019 - 2020 AWARD RECIPIENT DESIGNATED DONATIONS**

Each year, the Texas Bar Foundation honors those who exemplify the highest standards of the legal profession. To honor these award recipients, the following donations were given:

- **Texas Tech Law School Foundation** $1,000
  - In honor of Karen S. Gerstner, recipient of the Outstanding Law Review Article Award
- **Texas A&M University School of Law** $1,000
  - In honor of Neal W. Adams, recipient of the Dan Rugeley Price Memorial Award
- **Books for Development** $5,000
  - In honor of Kevin Dubose, recipient of the Lola Wright Foundation Award
- **Texas Tech Law School Foundation** $5,000
  - In honor of Chief Justice Sandee Bryan Marion, recipient of the Samuel Pessarra Outstanding Jurist Award

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"The Texas Bar Foundation’s support of this suicide prevention project is so important. Suicide has been shown to be the third leading cause of death for lawyers, so this film will be a long term resource that will save lives."

**Chris Ritter**

Director, Texas Lawyers’ Assistance Program
## Statement of Financial Position

**As of May 31, 2020**

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<td><strong>Total liabilities and net assets</strong></td>
<td><strong>$ 30,368,766</strong></td>
<td><strong>$ 29,204,108</strong></td>
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## Statement of Financial Activities

**For Year Ended May 31, 2020**

### Revenues

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<th>Without Donor Restrictions</th>
<th>With Donor Restrictions</th>
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<td>Return on investments</td>
<td>$ 594,170</td>
<td>$ 1,280,811</td>
<td>$ 1,874,981</td>
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<td>Contributions</td>
<td>1,383,105</td>
<td>124,675</td>
<td>1,507,780</td>
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<td>Annual dinner</td>
<td>214,550</td>
<td>654</td>
<td>215,204</td>
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<td>Other revenues</td>
<td>654</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Net assets released from restrictions</strong></td>
<td>604,295</td>
<td>(604,295)</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Total revenues</strong></td>
<td><strong>2,796,774</strong></td>
<td><strong>801,191</strong></td>
<td><strong>3,597,965</strong></td>
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### Expenses

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<td>Program services</td>
<td>1,552,560</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>1,552,560</td>
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<td>General and administrative</td>
<td>524,512</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>524,512</td>
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<td>Fundraising</td>
<td>193,345</td>
<td>-</td>
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<td><strong>Total expenses</strong></td>
<td><strong>2,270,417</strong></td>
<td>-</td>
<td><strong>2,270,417</strong></td>
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<tr>
<td>Change in net assets</td>
<td>526,357</td>
<td>801,191</td>
<td>1,327,548</td>
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<td><strong>Net assets, beginning of year</strong></td>
<td>9,334,186</td>
<td>19,617,634</td>
<td>28,951,820</td>
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### Net Assets

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<td><strong>Net assets, end of year</strong></td>
<td><strong>$ 9,860,543</strong></td>
<td><strong>$ 20,418,825</strong></td>
<td><strong>$ 30,279,368</strong></td>
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DAVID’S LEGACY FOUNDATION

Education and Pro Bono Legal Services to Combat Bullying in El Paso

David’s Legacy Foundation is dedicated to eliminating cyber and other bullying, of children and teens, through education, legislation and legal action. A $19,795 grant from the Texas Bar Foundation will help to provide educational and pro bono legal services to students, parents, and educators in the El Paso community through a network of volunteer attorneys.

Volunteer attorneys and DLF staff conduct presentations in schools to educate students, parents and educators on cyberbullying prevention and response, as well as their rights and responsibilities under the law. Grant funds have also allowed DLF to increase their volunteer attorney presenter team. While in-person presentations were cancelled, DLF developed virtual presentations that are being scheduled during the time of distance learning.

METHODIST JUSTICE MINISTRY

Court Filing Fees for Women & Children impacted by Abuse and Neglect

Established in 2006, Methodist Justice Ministry’s mission is to provide light and hope to families who have experienced neglect and domestic violence by providing free legal representation and ongoing support to ensure that the children are with a protective caregiver.

Methodist Justice Ministry is the only pro bono legal organization in Tarrant, Johnson, and Parker County that accepts complicated family law cases that often involve neglect, physical and sexual abuse. Roughly 25-35 of the weekly requests involve clients who are unable to afford an attorney.

MJM was awarded $11,500 from the Texas Bar Foundation. These funds will allow for an increase in cases accepted by ensuring MJM can cover court legal fees when filing a case.

With the assistance and support of MJM staff, victims of abuse are guided out of fear and violence into safe, nurturing, and productive lives.

“Although we have a strong legal community in the counties MJM serves, resources are limited for victims of abuse who have little or no financial ability to hire an attorney.

The need for the services provided MJM is critical and your gift has helped us change lives for the better, forever.”

Cindy Mendoza
MJM Board Member
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Dear Friends and Fellows of the Texas Bar Foundation,

In the midst of the mayhem of 2020, I am grateful for the Texas Bar Foundation. I am grateful for our charter Fellows who had the vision and perseverance 50+ years ago to create an organization with a mission that still resonates strongly statewide. I am grateful for our wise Board of Trustees who realize this year is not “business as usual” but an unusual year where the unknown requires thoughtful decision-making to insure the continued success of our organization for generations to come. However, I am most grateful for our Fellows; your unwavering support in deeds and dollars is the key to the success of the Texas Bar Foundation.

Thanks to your support, the Foundation awarded a record number of grants and dollars this year. In a time of great need and crisis, your Fellows’ dollars funded 106 grants totaling over $1.4 million. We are also prepared for “rainy days” to come with an endowment so carefully shepherded that it has grown to $32 million this year, despite the economic volatility that came with the pandemic. Thanks to the ongoing generous support of our Fellows, the Foundation remains the largest charitably-funded bar foundation in the country.

The Texas Bar Foundation’s success in serving Texans lies squarely on the shoulders of our Fellows. Because of you, we are spreading hope, optimism and gratitude across the state through well-placed grants.

I am grateful and humbled by the privilege of serving as your chair,

Shannon Dacus

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“Gratitude makes sense of our past, brings peace for today, and creates a vision for tomorrow.”

—Shannon Dacus