

**TEXAS BAR FOUNDATION
GRANTS AWARDED 2023-2024**

AccessHealth	\$15,000
<i>“Integrating a lawyer for a medical legal partnership in Fort Bend County”</i>	
To partially fund a full-time lawyer in-house to address the legal needs of disadvantaged medical patients.	
Affordable Homes of South Texas, Inc.	\$38,500
<i>“Estate Planning Assistance for Real Property”</i>	
To support the development of an estate planning pilot project regarding real estate that will help minimize estate and title issues for low-income families.	
Alliance for Children	\$10,000
<i>“Support for our Partners to attend the Crimes Against Children Conference.”</i>	
To provide funding for partners from the district attorney’s office, local law enforcement, and/or CPS representatives to attend the statewide Crimes Against Children Conference.	
Alzheimer's Association	\$10,000
<i>“Legal and Financial Outreach for Alzheimer’s Caregivers”</i>	
To provide educational resources and assistance to caregivers of individuals with Alzheimer's disease and related dementias via Legal and Financial Seminars and Conference.	
Asian Family Support Services of Austin	\$5,000
<i>“2024 Legal Resource Fair”</i>	
To provide education on legal rights and resources to survivors of domestic violence from under served or low-income communities in Central Texas.	
Austin Bar Foundation's Veterans Legal Assistance Program	\$21,500
<i>“Volunteer Management and Engagement”</i>	
To purchase and implement a Volunteer Management and Volunteer Engagement solutions systems offered by Microsoft Cloud for Nonprofits.	
Austin Classical Guitar	\$10,000
<i>“Guitar Education in the Texas Juvenile Justice System”</i>	
To provide daily guitar classes in 5 Texas juvenile justice facilities, which are the only fully accredited arts programs for incarcerated youth in the state.	
Austin Young Lawyers Association Foundation	\$15,250
<i>“How to Pick a Jury without a Lawyer in JP & Municipal Courts”</i>	
To produce a video to educate pro se litigants on how to execute the voir dire process in Texas JP and Municipal court systems.	

Avenue Community Development Corporation	\$10,000
<i>“Guiding clients toward homeownership and financial stability via webinar series”</i>	
To establish accessible information and guidance on home ownership and housing with regard to real estate law.	
Baylor University School of Law	\$13,992
<i>“Baylor Law School Family Law Clinic”</i>	
To provide the initial equipment and administrative support to establish the proposed family law clinic for the McLennan County Court.	
Better at Last	\$10,000
<i>“Education Series”</i>	
To purchase equipment needed to host lectures/workshops to better educate older adults on important Elder Law topics.	
Bill of Rights Institute	\$10,000
<i>“Civic Education for Texas Teachers”</i>	
To provide Texas teachers with training in our Founding principles-based curriculum on civics and US History	
Boys & Girls Clubs of Northeast Texas	\$9,250
<i>“Better Than Ever: Keystone Club”</i>	
To provide leadership development for ages 13-18 and a mini camp aiming to educate teens on law enforcement and their rights.	
CASA for the Highland Lakes Area	\$30,000
<i>“5 County Mobilization”</i>	
To support transportation funding for volunteer advocates of CASA for the Highland Lakes Area.	
CASA of Central Texas, Inc.	\$5,375
<i>“Cyber Security and Technology for Increased Advocacy”</i>	
To enhance communications efforts to recruit more community volunteers to serve more children who have been abused and neglected.	
CASA of El Paso, Inc.	\$5,000
<i>“Abuse Prevention Training Program”</i>	
To provide an in-person Abuse Prevention Training Program to help staff and advocates recognize inappropriate or suspicious interactions and how to respond effectively.	
CASA of Galveston County	\$7,500
<i>“Bingo for Children/Youth to Understand their Rights in Foster Care”</i>	
To assist children and youth in understanding their rights under the CPS Rights of Children and Youth in Foster Care in Texas.	

CASA of Williamson County Texas	\$20,000
<i>“Program Growth”</i>	
To hire an additional advocate supervisor allowing to serve more children in Williamson County who have experienced abused and neglected.	
Catholic Charities of Central Texas	\$11,000
<i>“Replacing Equipment for Immigration Legal Services”</i>	
To replace aging equipment that Immigration Legal Services uses to provide legal aid and access interpretation services to meet the increased language needs of clients.	
Catholic Charities of Southeast Texas	\$5,000
<i>“Immigration Education and Awareness Initiative”</i>	
To provide legal services to the underserved and vulnerable immigrant population through our Immigration Education and Awareness Initiative.	
Catholic Charities of the Texas Panhandle	\$12,000
<i>“Immigration Services in Amarillo and the Texas Panhandle”</i>	
To provide pro bono legal services to under served immigrants and refugees in Amarillo and the Texas Panhandle.	
Catholic Charities, Archdiocese of San Antonio, Inc.	\$15,000
<i>“Guardianship Support 2024”</i>	
To make estate planning, guardianship, and other less restrictive alternatives such as power of attorneys accessible through low-cost services.	
Centers for Children and Families, Inc.	\$5,000
<i>“Security and Safety for Kids First Clients”</i>	
To ensure court referrals to Kids First take place in safe environments with law enforcement presence that supports healthy interactions between all family members.	
Central Texas Parent Advocacy Group	\$25,000
<i>“Central Texas Expansion”</i>	
To allow for the expansion of the program into additional counties in Central Texas.	
Champions for Children	\$15,500
<i>““Breaking the Silence: Addressing Child Neglect in Early Childhood Education””</i>	
To provide a 2-hour training to 1500 childcare teachers on child neglect and abuse identification	
Cherish Our Children, Inc (COCI)	\$12,500
<i>“Enrichment programming for children with incarcerated family members”</i>	
To provide enrichment and mentoring opportunities for program participants.	
Child Advocates of Fort Bend	\$5,000
<i>“Child Abuse Court Advocacy, Treatment and Prevention Services”</i>	
To provide family-strengthening and prevention outreach to child victims of abuse.	

Child Crisis Center of El Paso	\$10,000
<i>“Renovating the Child Crisis Center-Rebuild for the Children”</i>	
To provide funding to renovate the shelter.	
Children 4 Tomorrow	\$27,500
<i>“Observational/ Assessment Room for Children and Families in the Legal System”</i>	
To provide a non-intrusive assessment/observational setting for families ordered by the courts to receive an assessment/evaluation due to custody issues.	
Children's Advocacy Center of Smith County	\$25,047
<i>“Medical Examination Room Equipment”</i>	
To provide equipment for the second medical examination room for the SANE program.	
Children's Advocacy Centers of Texas, Inc	\$7,500
<i>“CACTX Network HIPAA Training and Assessment Program”</i>	
To provide ongoing training and support on HIPAA compliance for CACTX’s network to ensure the privacy and protection for child abuse victims and their families.	
Children's Safe Harbor	\$5,000
<i>“The Collaborative Approach to Child Abuse Investigations - 2024 Conference”</i>	
To partially fund a regional training conference for partner investigative agencies to receive education on the collaborative approach to child abuse investigations.	
City of El Paso Municipal Court	\$18,807
<i>“Municipal Court Teen Court Program and Mock Trial Team”</i>	
To provide the Teen Court Program support for the continuation of positive peer pressure, in a real Justice Program run by teens for teens.	
City of Forney	\$4,500
<i>“Cellebrite Certification”</i>	
To provide Cellebrite Certification for Police Officers.	
City of McAllen	\$7,965
<i>“Teen Court Program Revamp 2023”</i>	
To revamp the City of McAllen's Municipal Court's Teen Court Program.	
Conference on Crimes Against Women, Inc.	\$19,000
<i>“National Training Center on Crimes Against Women Legal Track”</i>	
To provide survivors of gender-based violence with trauma-informed representation by educating attorneys on best methods to support survivors and hold offenders accountable.	
Covenant House Texas	\$15,000
<i>“Legal Counsel for Homeless Youth”</i>	
To provide legal counsel to homeless youth and legal training for staff	

Dallas Children's Advocacy Center	\$15,000
<i>"Specialized Training for DCAC Forensic Interviewers, Family Advocates"</i>	
To provide training and professional development for DCAC Forensic Interviewers and Family Advocates.	
Dallas County/Dallas County District Attorney's Office	\$12,500
<i>"Transportation Access for Youthful Offenders"</i>	
To assist in closing short-term transportation gaps for AIM Court program participants.	
DIFY Foundation	\$24,520
<i>"Immigrant Welcome Center"</i>	
To assist, educate and connect legal immigrants and refugees recently arrived with legal and community resources.	
Downtown Women's Center	\$20,000
<i>"Downtown Women's Center Recovery Program"</i>	
To support Drug Court referrals to the Recovery Program	
East Texas Immigrant Advocacy and Resource Center	\$15,000
<i>"Resource Center Daca Renewals and First-Generation Passport Expansion"</i>	
To serve low-income immigrants by assisting with funding for DACA (Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals) renewal costs and first-generation passports.	
El Paso County	\$28,000
<i>"Self-Represented Litigant Assistance Program"</i>	
To provide additional assistance to Pro-se individuals in family law cases.	
Equal Justice America	\$10,000
<i>"Summer Law Student Fellowships"</i>	
To fund two summer law student fellows, from Texas-based law schools, to provide a variety of pro bono legal services working out of Texas Rio Grande Legal Aid.	
Experiential Education Department-Thurgood Marshall School of Law	\$15,000
<i>"Staff Attorney and Office Equipment Initiative"</i>	
To assist in hiring a dedicated staff attorney responsible for reviewing, adjudicating, managing summer cases, and representing clients during summer hearings.	
Family Compass	\$10,000
<i>"Families First"</i>	
To provide court-mandated counseling for low-income divorcing parents and cover client fees to encourage and grow participation.	

Family Counseling Service	\$3,000
<i>“Technology Upgrades For Victim Services.”</i>	
To provide upgrades to technology used in victim & offender services to lower recidivism rates.	
Family Support Services of Amarillo	\$10,000
<i>“Project Defense”</i>	
To provide financial assistance to survivors pursuing civil legal remedies for protective orders, divorce, and custody proceedings.	
Foster Care Advocacy Center	\$15,000
<i>“Community Legal Advocacy Program Case Manager”</i>	
To provide a Case Manager to support and expand a pro bono program that provides legal services to prevent the removal of children into foster care.	
Galveston County Clubhouse Inc.	\$8,800
<i>“Startup money for office & kitchen supplies, office equipment & staff training.”</i>	
To provide startup funding for the Clubhouse model of mental health recovery.	
Galveston-Houston Immigrant Representation Project	\$10,000
<i>“Holistic Legal Services for Immigrant Survivors in Galveston County”</i>	
To provide comprehensive, trauma-informed legal services.	
Harris County Justice of the Peace, Precinct 1, Place 2	\$25,000
<i>“Legal Resource Center”</i>	
To create a legal resource center for self-represented litigants and members of the public served by Precinct 1-2 JP Court.	
Hispanic Bar Association of Houston	\$16,000
<i>“Public Interest Internship Program”</i>	
To provide a stipend for Hispanic Law Students attending Houston area Law Schools to intern and eventually pursue a career with Non-Profits and the Government sector.	
Hope For Three	\$4,500
<i>“Crisis Intervention Training (CIT) Program”</i>	
To provide crisis intervention training and outreach to members of law enforcement and first responders to respond to a mental health crisis effectively.	
Hope Of South Texas, Inc	\$8,686
<i>“Keeping the Light Lit”</i>	
To cover conference expenses for employees of Hope and possible MDT partner.	
Houston Bar Association	\$24,500
<i>“Increased Lactation Facilities for the Harris County Court Complex”</i>	
To provide increased lactation facilities at the Harris County Court Complex to ensure equal access to justice for nursing mothers whether as jurors, lawyers, or the public.	

Houston PEARLS Foundation	\$25,000
<i>“PEARLS Programming”</i>	
To provide programming which teaches independent adult living skill to girls to break the generational cycle of poverty, DFPS and justice system involvement.	
Human Rights Initiative of North Texas, Inc.	\$25,000
<i>“Supervising Immigration Attorney”</i>	
To assist with salary expenses in hiring a Supervising Attorney.	
IEA - Inspire, Encourage, Achieve	\$5,000
<i>“Court Coordination and Advocacy for Juvenile Justice-Involved Youth”</i>	
To enhance court coordination and advocacy services, reduce youth recidivism, and promote education and community well-being in Southeast Texas.	
Innocence Project of Texas	\$25,000
<i>“Wrongful Conviction Program”</i>	
To assist with increasing costs for forensic testing and fees for subject matter experts in order to help free innocent clients.	
Justice Forward	\$20,000
<i>“Safe Transitions Project”</i>	
To equalize successful community reentry for housed and unhoused individuals participating in and graduating from Harris County Specialty Courts.	
Kid Net Foundation dba Jonathan's Place	\$20,000
<i>“Emergency Shelter for Abused Children of North Texas”</i>	
To provide transportation and supervision for victims of child abuse in Emergency Shelter to meet with attorneys, attend court, and receive crucial services.	
Kidsave International	\$25,000
<i>“Weekend Miracles Host Model Outreach”</i>	
To assist older kids in foster care so they don't age out alone, through outreach to TX CASAs, attorneys, courts & child welfare stakeholders about the host family visit model.	
Lone Star CASA	\$7,500
<i>“OTP: Innovative In-Home Child Advocacy in Response to New Legislation”</i>	
To recruit, train, and supervise advocates to offer in-home supportive interventions to families who are being investigated by CPS but whose children remain at home.	
Lydia Patterson Institute	\$10,000
<i>“Increasing Access to Educational Equity for International Students”</i>	
To provide student summer stipends for internships with the El Paso County Public Defenders Office.	

ME3LJ Center	\$5,000
<i>“ISI Radio”</i>	
To expand reentry outreach and services to the public via radio and other media related platforms.	
Merced Housing Texas	\$30,000
<i>“Project Preventive Legal Assistance for Homeowners in Need (Project PLAHN)”</i>	
To provide free legal services to homeowners who live on low to extremely low incomes to proactively break cycles of generational poverty.	
Mercy Gate Ministries, Inc.	\$7,500
<i>“Online Court Training to Support Victims/Defendants of Sexual Exploitation”</i>	
To develop and teach online, customized Court Training to Support Victims/Defendants of Sexual Exploitation classes to court officials and judicial stakeholders statewide.	
Methodist Justice Ministry	\$7,500
<i>“Fees for family law cases representing indigent victims of family violence.”</i>	
To provide filing fees, process servers, drug and DNA labs, records, mediations, etc. for family law cases protecting victims of abuse who are living in poverty.	
Metrocare Services	\$10,000
<i>“Child & Adolescent Clinic at the Behavioral Health Innovation Center at Hillside”</i>	
To assist in building a new Child & Adolescent Mental Health Clinic for youth, including justice involved youth, who will receive integrated, evidence-based services.	
Mil Mujeres, Inc.	\$8,500
<i>“Direct Legal Services for Latina Survivors of Intimate Partner Violence”</i>	
To increase the level of access to direct legal services for vulnerable Latina immigrants who are survivors of Intimate Partner Violence in Texas.	
Mission Granbury	\$30,000
<i>“Project Freedom: Legal Assistance for Victims of Domestic Violence”</i>	
To provide legal representation for residential and non-residential domestic violence victims in the Family Violence Program.	
National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI)- Texas	\$34,264
<i>“Texas Criminal Procedure and Offender with Mental Illness: Analysis and Guide”</i>	
To create, publish, and distribute the 7th edition of the "Texas Criminal Procedure and the Offender with Mental Illness: An Analysis and Guide."	
Neighborhood Defender Service	\$10,000
<i>“Outreach Programming in Harris County”</i>	
To allow the creation of outreach efforts to provide housing defense services to low-income residents in Harris County.	

Neighborhood Recovery Community Development Corporation	\$20,000
<i>“Building and Securing Futures - Financial Capability (BSF-FC)”</i>	
To provide heirship legal assistance to low-income Texans and assist clients in completing a transfer on death deed.	
Northeast Texas CASA, Inc.	\$15,000
<i>“Partner Relations Expansion”</i>	
To expand the partner relations team for the Texarkana Children's Advocacy Center.	
One Heart Project	\$40,000
<i>“Expansion of Services to Rockwall County”</i>	
To begin expansion of services into Rockwall County, serving up to 48 justice-involved and at-risk youth annually.	
Our Daily Bread	\$25,000
<i>“Legal Advocacy Program”</i>	
To provide legal assistance to those experiencing homelessness in Denton County.	
Projecto Azteca	\$20,000
<i>“Empower and Defend: Scam Awareness for Low-Income Homeowners in South Texas”</i>	
To educate South Texas low-income homeowners on solar panel scams, raising awareness of predatory practices and safeguarding their rights and homes.	
Ranch Hands Rescue	\$10,000
<i>“Client Legal Assistance Needs”</i>	
To provide assistance in legal fees and costs incurred to help male clients who have been victims of sex trafficking.	
Respite Care of San Antonio, Inc.	\$1,875
<i>“Security Services for Children with Disabilities Victimized by Abuse”</i>	
To ensure the safety and preserve the legal rights of children in two emergency shelters by providing 24/7/365 security services.	
Simply Grace	\$10,000
<i>“Leading with Purpose”</i>	
To fund leadership training for House Managers at 5 transitional living facilities and 4 key staff, including training on how to guide clients to legal assistance.	
Sojourn Landing (dba The Landing)	\$5,000
<i>“Direct Assistance to Victims of Human Trafficking”</i>	
To help victims of human trafficking navigate legal needs and meet the conditions of probation and parole through flexible financial assistance and case management.	

South Texas College of Law Houston	\$26,400
<i>“Low-Income Tax Clinic Fellowships”</i>	
To provide stipends for postgraduate fellowships in the Low Income Tax Clinic who will plan and execute community education and outreach programs.	
State Bar of Texas Legal Services Office	\$20,000
<i>“Access to Justice Internship Program”</i>	
To provide scholarships for Access to Justice summer interns.	
Stonewall Law Association of Greater Houston	\$10,000
<i>“The LGBT Law Clinic”</i>	
To provide resources for the state's first general LBGT law clinic.	
Texas Advocacy Project, Inc.	\$20,000
<i>“Coordinating Pro Bono Volunteers to Assist Survivors”</i>	
To coordinate a statewide pro-bono, civil legal services program for poor and underserved victims of power-based abuse.	
Texas Appleseed	\$10,000
<i>“Helping Survivors of Domestic Violence Rebuild Their Financial Lives”</i>	
To support a pilot project to train attorneys on how to help survivors of domestic violence claim identity theft if they were victims of coerced debt.	
Texas Center for Child and Family Services	\$12,345
<i>“Community-Based Care (CBC) Legal Community Trainings”</i>	
To provide judges and attorneys information about Community-Based Care and answer questions about what to expect as this change occurs in the child welfare system.	
Texas Center for the Judiciary, Inc.	\$30,000
<i>“2024 Annual Judicial Education Conference - Texas Bar Foundation Day”</i>	
To further judicial expertise, provide a safe environment to exchange ideas, and offer an opportunity for collegiality among the judiciary and its partners.	
Texas Muslim Women's Foundation, Inc.	\$8,100
<i>“Legal Services for Underserved Survivors of Domestic Violence”</i>	
To support legal internships, translation, and pro-bono legal services of Family and Immigration law for underserved survivors of domestic violence.	
Texas Network of Youth Services	\$5,772
<i>“Raising the Voices of Texas Youth to Strengthen Systems of Justice”</i>	
To amplify voices of at-risk young people to prevent justice involvement and influence youth-informed, equitable justice systems.	

Texas RioGrande Legal Aid, Inc.	\$25,000
<i>“Texas Foster Youth Justice Project (TFYJP) Modernization Initiative”</i>	
To improve access to foster resources by updating the Aging Out guide, redesigning TFYJ Project materials, and distributing redesigned outreach items.	
Texas Young Lawyers Association	\$45,000
<i>“Texas Law Student Hub”</i>	
To create a multimedia website that will educate prospective and current law students about the legal profession and attending law school.	
The Council on Recovery	\$15,000
<i>“Changing Lives, Changing Outcomes with Accessible Behavioral Health Services”</i>	
To improve outcomes for justice-involved persons with substance use, mental illness, and co-occurring disorders.	
The Heights Ellis County	\$10,000
<i>“Strengthening Domestic Violence Shelters with Legal Advocacy”</i>	
To incorporate legal advocacy in a centralized location for domestic violence victims in Ellis County.	
The University of Texas Foundation for UT Arlington	\$30,000
<i>“Courting Success in Law”</i>	
To implement a strategy of multiple experiential learning to promote the law profession and early engagement of underrepresented scholars.	
The Way Back	\$17,500
<i>“Expansion of Critical Services to the Formerly Incarcerated”</i>	
To expand comprehensive re-entry services, expand services to more women with specialized needs, and help provide transitional housing.	
Traffick911	\$15,000
<i>“Legal Fees & Other Emergent Needs for Survivors of Child Sex Trafficking”</i>	
To secure legal services and cover legal fees for survivors of child sex trafficking as needs emerge throughout the year.	
Trinity Kids, Inc.	\$10,000
<i>“Family Preservation and Mentoring”</i>	
To provide court-mandated parenting classes to parents in North Texas who are on the verge of losing their children or working to regain custody.	
Unbound Now	\$10,000
<i>“Survivor Advocacy: Supporting Survivors of Human Trafficking in Austin”</i>	
To support advocacy work which offers 24/7 on-call crisis response in Austin, including proactive work in detention centers and accompanying victims to court.	

Voz de Ninos	\$36,000
<i>“Advocacy for Youth Affected by Sex Trafficking”</i>	
To increase the number of CASA volunteers and increase the number of youth affected by sex trafficking who can be served.	
Wichita Falls Alliance for Arts and Culture	\$15,000
<i>“The Legends Project”</i>	
To support the creation of an exhibition and learning guide for Texas schools honoring Charlye O. Farris the 1st African American woman licensed to practice law in Texas.	
Williamson County	\$27,215
<i>“Williamson County DWI/Drug Court Program”</i>	
To provide in-house, evidence-based Moral Recognition Therapy groups (MRT), individual and family mental health treatment, and alcohol/drug use monitoring to ensure public safety.	
Williamson County Children's Advocacy Center	\$10,000
<i>“The Power of Us”</i>	
To build capacity to meet the critical and increasing needs of kids who have been abused.	
Women's Empowerment Legal Center	\$5,500
<i>“Learning to Bounce: Going from Victim to Survivor after Hitting Rock Bottom”</i>	
To provide free legal services to survivors domestic violence.	
YMCA of Metropolitan Fort Worth	\$10,000
<i>“Youth and Government”</i>	
To provide transportation costs and conference fees for students involved in the Youth and Government program and Junior Youth and Government program.	
Youth Justice Alliance	\$23,000
<i>“2024 Fellowships for the Panhandle, El Paso, Midland, and Hidalgo County”</i>	
To expand support for aspiring first-gen lawyers in Texas to NEW communities including El Paso, Lubbock, Amarillo, Midland, and Hidalgo County.	