This year, the Foundation once again held high the principles of its mission of providing greater access to justice. Thanks to the efforts of dedicated volunteer board members and the innovative Foundation staff, more than $11.6 million in grants was awarded in 2004-05. The Foundation has been honored to work with Rep. Dudley Goodlette, whose dedication (and leadership) to the concept of state funding for civil legal assistance for the poor continues to shine as an example for all of us in the legal profession. Through Rep. Goodlette’s continued support of the Florida Access to Civil Legal Assistance Act, the legal needs of our state’s most vulnerable residents continued to be met. I am also deeply touched and humbled by the tireless work of inspired lawyers and non-lawyers who take time out of their busy lives to serve on our Foundation board and spearhead committees and fundraising drives. As a result of these volunteers who also campaigned on behalf of the Foundation’s Fellows Program, our roster of those who have contributed to the Endowment Trust has grown significantly over the past year. We are truly grateful for our Foundation Fellows who have pledged their support for the Foundation’s mission. Although the Foundation funds civil legal assistance organizations operating in all 67 Florida counties, a special thank-you is needed for those many attorneys, paralegals and others who donate their skills and services to legal aid.

We encourage bright young lawyers to consider a career as a legal aid attorney. To help them accomplish their dreams, the Foundation offers law school loan repayment assistance. Through such innovative projects, the Foundation is working to help make the promise of equal access to justice a reality in Florida. Lawyers who care about the legal rights of children are urged to purchase a “Kids Deserve Justice” specialty license plate and to donate to the Lawyers’ Challenge for Children on the annual Florida Bar Fee Statement. Because of these programs and contributions from other sources, the Foundation has been able to increase funding for children’s legal services. This collection of grantees provides legal advocacy and representation to uphold children’s legal rights to educational and other services — services for children put into place to promote their growth into productive adults. Another area of Foundation grantmaking supports projects to improve the administration of justice in Florida.

This is a small grant program, but it is often the only source of funds for local courts, bar associations and other groups to test ways to make the justice system more responsive. Because this discretionary grant program generally is limited to demonstration projects or seed money, it’s been called one of the few sources of venture capital for the justice system. For example, funding was provided to the Lee County Clerk of Courts for its innovative “Pay or Appear” pilot program to increase child support collections. For many of its participants, the program has kept them from needing public assistance. One woman wrote, “This works! I am so thankful for the pay or appear program. I had just about given up all hope of receiving any regular child support.” The Lee County Clerk of Courts said that, as of December, 2004, more than $1 million in delinquent payments had been collected.

The Foundation uses funding to promote the concept of public service by law students through the Legal Services Foundation’s Summer Fellowship Program and Public Service Fellows programs. Both programs attract the brightest of today’s young legal minds. The Foundation’s Summer Fellows rated their experience “outstanding” or “very satisfactory,” and one Fellow said “The Foundation’s Summer Fellowship Program is a truly fantastic opportunity to reach out into the community of the underserved, obtain hands-on practical experience, and increase your commitment to public interest and pro bono.” The feedback we have received about these programs is positive both in terms of the legal aid organizations served, and the growing number of law students committed to using their legal skills to assist the less fortunate. Especially today, we are gratified to see law students who understand and embrace the responsibilities lawyers have to their community.

After Florida was struck by a record four hurricanes last year, the Foundation was instrumental in developing a disaster manual for legal assistance to the poor. With many of our grantees still recovering from effects of last year’s hurricanes, an emergency fund was established to recognize grantees’ most pressing needs following a future disaster. We are grateful to the Young Lawyers’ Division of The Florida Bar for its generous donation to the Foundation’s emergency disaster fund. We are also pleased to have worked closely again this year with the Florida Bar Foundation’s Association to increase IOTA revenue through implementation of our no-negative netting policy. We thank FBA’s leadership for their cooperation with the Foundation’s joint efforts to increase the amount of funds generated by IOTA for legal aid and the other notable programs IOTA makes possible.

This year, the Foundation again administered funds through the Florida Access to Civil Legal Assistance Act. I was personally gratified to see the initiative, which began when I was president of The Florida Bar, continue affecting the lives of those who need it the most. Last year, one million dollars in state-appropriated funds continued pilot projects in seven judicial circuits. The Foundation is hopeful this important funding source, with the continued support of the Florida legislature and the cooperation of the Governor, will be expanded to all 20 judicial circuits. Florida needs to remain a part of the 40 states that provide public funds to supplement their legal aid programs.

We had very successful recruiting campaigns for Foundation Fellows in Palm Beach County and Broward County, adding more than 450 new Fellows. An ongoing campaign between Sarasota County and the Tenth Judicial Circuit is also reaching fruition, with dedicated volunteers from those areas each vying to recruit the most Fellows. Our Fellows share our commitment to providing greater access to justice. We also share the responsibility to give back to our profession and to our community. As Alexander Hamilton said, “The first duty of a society is to serve those who serve it.” So when a Foundation director or other volunteer asks you to become a Foundation Fellow or to support our mission in other ways, please say yes.

It was indeed an honor to serve as Foundation President over the past year and I thank all Florida lawyers, the Foundation board and staff for making it a successful year.
Grants for Legal Assistance for the Poor

The Foundation's Legal Assistance for the Poor (LAP) grant program, supported primarily by IOTA funds, provides general support and special purpose grants to a network of organizations providing free civil legal services to the poor. Together, this network provides at least basic access to the justice system for low income individuals and families residing in every county in Florida. LAP grants also support legal assistance for specific client services and to serve specific client groups.

In fiscal year 2004-05, the Foundation awarded 34 grants in support of legal aid organizations serving every Florida County:

- American Friends Service Committee
- Bay Area Legal Services
- Brevard County Legal Aid
- Community Law Program
- Community Legal Services of Mid-Florida
- Cuban American Bar Association
- Dade County Bar Association
- Florida Immigrant Advocacy Center
- Florida Legal Services
- Florida Justice Institute
- Florida Legal Aid Society
- Florida State University College of Law
- Ft. Lauderdale
- Gainesville
- Heart of Florida Legal Aid
- Heart of Florida Legal Aid society
- Jacksonville
- Lake County Legal Aid Society
- Lee County Legal Aid Society
- Legal Aid Foundation of the Northwest Florida
- Legal Aid of the Orange County
- Legal Aid of Manasota
- Legal Aid Society of Palm Beach County
- Legal Aid Society of Greater Miami
- Legal Aid Society of the Orange County
- Lee County
- Manasota
- Migrant Farmworker Justice Project
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- North Florida
- Northwest Florida
- Ocala
- Orange County
- Sarasota
- Solano
- St. Petersburg
- Tallahassee
- Tampa
- The Florida Bar
- Vero Beach
- West Palm Beach
- Winter Park
- Young Lawyers Division

Total $9,652,160

Foundation Legal Assistance for the Poor Grants
Support a Wide Variety of Pro Bono Services by Members of The Florida Bar

Pro bono hours donated by members of The Florida Bar through organized pro bono programs in 2004 represented 17% of all cases — more than 15,000 — closed by Foundation legal aid grantees. Foundation funds support the intake and referral of cases to pro bono volunteer attorneys and to provide such volunteers with backup support and training.

While much of the time donated by pro bono attorneys was in family law cases, there is a wide variety of pro bono service opportunities for Florida attorneys. To name just a few:

- Transactional attorneys helping community groups develop affordable housing
- Handling small probate matters
- Representing children in dependency proceedings
- Co-counseling cases with legal aid attorneys in housing and consumer law and assisting particularly vulnerable clients, such as the elderly, the disabled and the mentally ill

And, not all pro bono work has to involve direct representation of clients. For example:

- Providing substantive law and skills training to legal aid attorneys
- Serving as mentors to less experienced legal aid attorneys
- Doing client intake
- Participating in community legal education programs such as being a panelist at a seminar on domestic violence or speaking to the elderly about protection of their homesteads

The benefits of involving members of The Florida Bar in serving the legal needs of the poor extend well beyond the positive outcomes for individual clients, because attorneys make things happen. When talent and commitment are applied to removing the legal barriers poor people face in stabilizing their lives, entire communities benefit.

The Foundation encourages its Legal Assistance for the Poor grantees to continue to expand the scope of pro bono opportunities they offer private attorneys in their communities.
How Legal Assistance Grantees Have Helped This Year

Total: 89,969 cases
Percentage of Cases Handled in 2004

Individual Rights 12% 10,744 cases
Consumer 9% 7,808 cases
Income Maintenance 7% 6,008 cases
Other* 15% 12,233 cases

*Includes employment, health, children, education, etc.

College Tuition Assistance Program

Since 1999, the Foundation has funded hundreds of projects to provide college tuition assistance to children, disabled students, and children of disabled parents. The Foundation set specific goals for its College Tuition Assistance Program, and provided matching funds to its grantees. In 2004-05, the Foundation awarded $517,116 to 174 projects, including 22 that were new this year.

Florida Equal Justice Works Fellowship Program

Since 1999, the Foundation and its Florida funding partners have provided matching funds for 43 Florida Equal Justice Works Fellows. Fellowships have designed and led legal assistance projects in affordable housing, welfare to work, domestic violence, special education for disabled children, homelessness, immigration, prisoner rights, environmental advocacy, and family preservation. These two-year public interest Fellowships are sponsored by Shepard Broad Law School, Nova Southeastern University, Washington College of Law, and Stetson University College of Law.

The Foundation set several goals for its Children's Legal Services grant initiative, but emphasizes access to special education and health-care services required under law. Another goal is to create and energize a statewide network of children's legal service providers. The network also can provide support to the thousands of legal aid attorneys involved in children's legal services through guardians ad litem and other projects. In 2004-05, the Foundation created a new Children's Legal Services volunteer program.

Florida Bar and its Foundation have funded a number of projects that provide legal representation to children involved in family law disputes. The Children's Legal Services Volunteer Program currently funds 15 projects, including the Children's First Collaborative. The Collaborative provides children with legal representation in high conflict divorce and custody cases, and other family law matters.


Fellow/Law School
Debra Jacobs
Nova Southeastern University Shepard Broad Law School
Lisa Lueck
University of Miami School of Law
Natalie Maxwell
American University Washington College of Law
Alejandro Reyes
Howard University School of Law
Sarah Walleshin
Nova Southeastern University Shepard Broad Law School

Legal Aid Program
Legal Aid Society of Palm Beach County Palm Beach
Florida Immigrant Advocacy Center Miami
Southern Legal Counsel Gainesville
Gulfcoast Legal Services Pensacola
Legal Aid Society of Broward County Fort Lauderdale

Project Name
Foster Care Children Project
Immigrant Children Project
Homelcss Persons Project
Farmworkers Advocacy Project

Dependent Children Legal Aid Project
Legal Services of Greater Miami

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As you complete your Annual Florida Bar Fee Statement next spring, please consider contributing to the Foundation's Children's Legal Services Grant Program through the Lawyers' Challenge for Children. Just add your gift to your Bar Fee Statement total. Your support will help remove legal barriers to a productive future for thousands of low-income children in Florida.
The Foundation is very pleased to recognize the following individuals whose total giving to the Foundation exceeds $1,000,000.
Improvements in the Administration of Justice Grant Program

Grantmaking Philosophy
A goal of The Florida Bar Foundation is to focus grants in areas where the funding can have a measurable impact. Toward that end, the Foundation concentrates grants for improvements in the administration of justice in five areas, with emphasis on how the courts can operate more effectively and expeditiously.

Areas of Funding
- Improvement in the operation and management of the court system;
- Improvement and reform of the criminal, civil and juvenile justice systems;
- Public education and understanding about the law, including law-related education;
- Promotion and support for public interest legal representation; and
- Promotion and support for voluntary bar association sponsored community-service initiatives to improve the operation of the civil or criminal justice systems and for education, outreach or service-delivery projects which enhance the administration of justice in Florida.

The Foundation occasionally considers and seeks out projects in other subject areas related to improving the administration of justice in Florida.

Funding Criteria
Preference generally will be given to:
- Applicants seeking start-up funds or seed money over a one- or two-year period;
- Programs with demonstration value or replication potential; and
- Requests for matching funds.

AOJ typically does not fund direct service programs (e.g., drug treatment or counseling), replicas of established programs, local community groups, programs for which there is a governmental responsibility to provide funding, and continuing program support.

2004-05 Grant Awards

Florida Bar/Florida Supreme Court Law Day 2005

The Florida Bar
$4,500


Office of the State Courts Administrator
$5,000

Tallahassee

To help fund the creation of the State Court System Blueprint.

The Florida Bar
$3,000

To play a role in increasing public comfort and understanding of the judicial system.

Tallahassee

Promotion and support for public interest legal representation:

- Disability Independence Group
$20,000

Tallahassee

To make real the promise of equal justice under law.

- Bilingual Children’s Library
$3,000

Tallahassee

To operate a tutoring program for children with limited English proficiency.

- Guardianship Training Video Project
$3,000

Tallahassee

To create training videos for guardianship and legal guardians.

- Florida Law Related Education Association
$185,000

Tallahassee

To general support of resources for a statewide law-related education (LRE) program to impact students, teachers, and policy makers.

- Coral Gables
$4,500

To expand the Reach the Reader program.

- Florida Law Related Education Association
$10,000

Tallahassee

To purchase materials for the Florida Access to Civil Justice Act and other initiatives.

- Disability Independence Group
$20,000

Tallahassee

To reduce attitudinal barriers for persons with disabilities through increasing employment options in the legal field.

- Coral Gables
$4,500

To expand the Reach the Reader program.

- Florida Bar
$5,000

Tallahassee

To support the Florida Bar’s support of Florida Access to Civil Justice Act and other initiatives.

- The Florida Bar
$25,000

Tallahassee

To support Florida’s legal aid programs.

- Coral Gables
$4,500

To expand the Reach the Reader program.

- The Florida Bar
$5,000

Tallahassee

To contribute to the Florida Bar Foundation’s support of Florida Access to Civil Justice Act and other initiatives.

The Florida Bar
$10,000

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$4,500

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$25,000

Tallahassee

To support Florida’s legal aid programs.

Total
$481,500

2004-05 Voluntary Bar Association Community Service Grant Program

The Voluntary Bar Association Community Service Grant Program was established by The Florida Bar in 2004-05 as an ongoing program of once-time grants up to $3,000 each awarded to voluntary bar associations in Florida to promote new or significant improvement in existing charitable, community-service projects. The goals of the Voluntary Bar Association Community Service Grant Program are:

1. To increase community service by Florida’s legal profession through voluntary bar association initiatives; and
2. To serve as a readily accessible source of funding for a full range of voluntary bar association charitable, community-service projects.

2004-05 Voluntary Bar Association Community Service Grant Awards

Bowdoin Island Bar Association
$3,000

Guidance Training Video Project

Bowdoin County Hispanic Bar Association
$1,000

Bilingual Children’s Library

Central Florida Chapter of AGBOTA
$600

Justice By The People

Central Florida Gay and Lesbian Law Association
$2,400

Website Diversity Development Project

Dade County Bar Association
$3,000

Achieving Independence

To address the legal and legal needs of diverse communities, to support the legal profession’s commitment to diversity, and to build a network of assistance for Florida’s bar organizations.

Tallahassee

$10,000

To hold the annual conference.

Palm Beach County Bar Association
$3,000

To develop a community media plan to support its programs and events.

Daytona Beach

$4,000

To educate and engage the public in courts facilities and court matters.

Daytona Beach

$4,000

To provide support to volunteer attorneys for the Florida Legal Assistance Foundation.

Total
$40,000

2004-05 Florida Bar Foundation Medal of Honor Awards

The Florida Bar Foundation Medal of Honor Award Program was established in 1977 to recognize outstanding achievements in improving the administration of justice in Florida. Two categories of award recipients have been designated:

1. To increase community service by Florida’s legal profession through voluntary bar association initiatives; and
2. To serve as a readily accessible source of funding for a full range of voluntary bar association charitable, community-service projects.

2004-05 Florida Bar Foundation Medal of Honor Awards

The 2004 Medal of Honor for a lawyer was presented to Rep. J. Dudley Goodlette, a Naples attorney and member of the Florida House of Representatives, for spearheading the passage of the Florida Access to Civil Legal Assistance Act. It is his strong commitment to the simple justice of providing legal assistance to poor individuals and families in Florida, together with the administration and respect in which he is held by his colleagues, that made possible passage and funding by the state of this means of addressing the often overwhelming legal problems faced by vulnerable Floridians. Dudley Goodlette continues to steadfastly support access to justice for the poor. By his vision, compassion and leadership, Dudley Goodlette has made real the promise of equal justice under law.

Dr. Abraham S. Fischler, President Emeritus of Nova Southeastern University and former board member of the Foundation, received the Medal of Honor for a non-lawyer for turning the dreams of countless people into realities through his intellect, commitment, drive and spirit. In his long and distinguished academic career, Abe Fischler has been driven by an unwavering belief in the dignity and worth of every human being, and the belief that education is the primary vehicle to combat inequality, discrimination, lack of opportunity, prejudice and bigotry. In his 22 years as president of Nova Southeastern University, Abe Fischler was one of the founding fathers of distance learning, bringing the benefits of education to those who could otherwise avail themselves of such opportunity for advancement.


Terry Russell, at left, presents the 2005 Medal of Honor Award to Dr. Abraham S. Fischler.

Nova Southeastern University.
The Florida Bar Foundation Fellows Program

Palm Beach County Fellows Campaign, Fall 2004

D. Culver Smith, III, Chair
Roy E. Fitzgerald, Ill
David P. Ackerman
Irwin R. Gilbert
Eunice T. Baros
Michael H. Greenhill
Jerald S. Beer
Stuart Z. Grossman
Donald J. Beuttenmuller Jr.
Gary Shepard Lesser
Howard Bergman
Patricia E. Lowry
Patrick J. Casey
Joseph J. Reiter
Gregory W. Coleman
Charles E. Rutherford
Steven L. Daniels
Sidney A. Stubbs, Jr.
E. Cole FitzGerald, Ill
Thomas J. Yeager

Palm Beach County Fellows Campaign, Fall 2004

D. Culver “Skip” Smith, at right, received the “Bringing Home the Bacon” piggy bank from President Terrence Russell at the Foundation’s annual meeting in June for his outstanding work on the Palm Beach County Fellows Recruitment Campaign. Adele I. Stone also received the “Bringing Home the Bacon” piggy bank from Russell, who surprised Stone in June with a five-pound “Sweet Justice” candy bar.

Broward County Fellows Campaign Committee, Spring 2005

Foundation directors John Patterson, at left, and Jack Brandon, share some strategies about their respective Fellows campaigns in Sarasota County, and the Tenth Judicial Circuit. The two attorneys have been engaged in a friendly competition to see who can recruit the most Fellows for the Foundation. The numbers have been very close all year; however, both Patterson and Brandon say they are close to claiming victory.
Florida Supreme Court Justice Raul Cantero and Chad Roberts

Bar President Kelly Overstreet Johnson and Foundation President Terry Russell present the joint Florida Bar/Bar Foundation Legislative Award for support of increased funding of the Florida Access to Civil Legal Assistance Act to Rep. Joe Negron.

Bar President Kelly Overstreet Johnson and Foundation President Terry Russell present the joint Florida Bar/Bar Foundation Legislative Award for support of increased funding of the Florida Access to Civil Legal Assistance Act to Rep. Don Davis.

Again this year, Florida Lawyers' Legal Insurance Corporation (FLLIC) sponsored two of the Foundation's Summer Fellows. At left, Scott Jay, FLLIC, Summer Fellows Nicole Wasinger and Liah Catanese, Bill Barrett and David Shear, both of FLLIC.

The Fischler family

Ben Hill, President of The American College of Trial Lawyers, and Bar President Kelly Overstreet Johnson, at right, present a memorial plaque honoring the late Henry Latimer to his family. Johnson also announced the Bar’s Center for Professionalism would be renamed in Latimer’s honor.

Foundation Director Miles McGraw, at left, receives the President’s Award for Excellence from Terry Russell.

Bill Thompson, former Foundation President; Bill Davis, Foundation President-elect; and Mike Glazer, member of The Florida Bar Board of Governors

SAVE THE DATE
for the Foundation’s 2006 Annual Dinner
Celebrating the Foundation’s 50th Anniversary
Thursday, June 22, 2006
6:30 p.m.
at the Boca Raton Resort and Club, Boca Raton

Dudley and Barb Goudlette
With the help of a $25,000 challenge donation from the Young Lawyers’ Division of The Florida Bar, the Foundation will sponsor a Kids Deserve Justice sales contest for the state’s voluntary bar associations. The “prizes” will include a total of $100,000 in improvements in the administration of justice grants to support bar association charitable public service activities. So far, more than 400 of the state’s judges, attorneys, and members of the general public have purchased the Kids Deserve Justice specialty license plate. We need to sell at least 8,000 Kids Deserve Justice Specialty License plates in the next four years, or lose this funding source forever. We know you believe kids deserve justice. Please invest $25 in legal aid for low-income kids. Thank you for your support. For more information, visit www.flabarfndn.org/KidsDeserveJustice.

In Memory of . . .

Sean P. Bulfin by John Joseph Balfin
Col. Norman Faulkner by Button Young
William O.E. Henry by Mary Beth Cantrell by Bruce Marger by L. David Shear by Button Young
Hon. Howard P. Rives by L. David Shear by Button Young
Hon. Harold Solomon by Adams & Adams LLP by Paul A. Glack by Paul and Marilyn Guzman by Tony and Lomie Kaplan by Dr. Lawrence and Lyne Levine by Evelyn R. Schwartz by Barry and Sally Schwartz by Katharine E. Taskay by Claire Wax by Margaret Krasen Wilson by Joel and Nikki Wolfe

Be Sure to Thank Your Banker . . .

September 1981 marked implementation by the Florida Supreme Court of the country’s first IOTA program and the beginning of an important source of support for civil legal assistance to the poor, projects to improve Florida’s justice system and programs to promote public service by law students. While we often mark that milestone and thank those responsible, we do not publicly recognize often enough Florida’s banking community. It is because of the support and cooperation of Florida banks that IOTA works. From the superb staff at the banks who make sure monthly remittance information and interest gets to the Foundation, the teams who worked so closely with the Foundation to implement the interest rate comparability rule, to the leaders of the Florida Bankers Association who step up to the plate and help IOTA achieve its full potential.

The Foundation, its grantees and those they serve are very grateful for the successful partnership between the legal and banking communities that is Florida’s IOTA program.

Profile of the IOTA Account Portfolio as of June 2005

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IOTA eligible funds: Client and third-person funds shall be deposited in a lawyer’s or law firm’s IOTA account unless the funds can otherwise earn income for the client or third person in excess of the costs incurred to secure such income.

Thanks, we couldn’t do it without you

Also making a difference are the attorneys and law firms who contributed to our success in 2004-05 through pro bono services to the Foundation itself:

Donald C. Works, III, Jackson, Lewis, et al, Orlando

ENDOWMENT

In 1991, the Foundation established an Endowment as a permanent source of support for all of the Foundation’s charitable activities. Initial funding for the Endowment came from $1 million in unrestricted IOTA investment earnings, the income from which exclusively will fund IOTA grants. In 2004-05, additional Endowment funding came from $288,839 in Fellows’ pledge payments and other contributions increasing total Endowment net assets to $4.4 million.
Law Student Assistance Grants

Public Service Fellows Program

Program Goals
- To promote pro bono legal services by members of the legal profession;
- To provide law students with direct involvement in public service activities; and
- To promote the concept of public service legal work on law school campuses generally.

Legal Services Summer Fellowship Program

In cooperation with Florida's accredited law schools, the Foundation administers a summer fellowship program for first- and second-year law students at Foundation-funded legal assistance programs in Florida.

The Foundation awarded $90,000 to continue the legal services fellowship program for the summer of 2005. Nineteen law students were selected to provide legal assistance services to low-income people when their rights are denied. The Fellowship Program is available at nearly 80 programs in Florida.

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Champagne Gitten
Olga Golik
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Total $98,600

Law Student Assistance Grants

Public Service Fellows 2004-05 Grant Awards

Nearly 40 students participated in the 2004-05 IOTA Public Service Fellows Program and contributed an estimated 8,000 hours of direct public service. Students work at legal aid offices, guardian ad litem programs, public defender offices, state attorney offices and other public service agencies.

Programs promote the concept of public service and provide financial assistance to eligible students at Florida’s accredited law schools.


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Law student selected for The Florida Bar Foundation’s 2005 Legal Services Summer Fellowship Program enjoy their orientation before they begin their internships. The highly competitive program provides both an invaluable learning experience for the students and support to the state’s legal services community.

“I worked on two live cases having an immediate impact on our clients.”

“Being able to shadow a senior attorney and really see how she managed her caseload — not just getting individual assignments from various attorneys and not understanding how they fit together, but getting a broader picture of what it is like to be a family law attorney at Legal Aid.”

“The most satisfying aspect of my fellowship was networking with other organizations which serve the indigent population; meeting people in government housing and being able to link them with the services they needed.”

Comments of 2005 Summer Fellows

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“This is a great opportunity for students to be exposed to the needs of low-income clients and the good work that is done at legal aid everyday. It is mutually beneficial to the agencies that have the opportunity to work with fresh, energetic students.”

“Without the help of dedicated students, we would not be able to serve as many people who need our assistance.”

“I found it very helpful to have an upper level law student on staff to help with legal research and drafting of pleadings.”

Comments of 2005 Host Legal Aid Programs

Investing in Justice

Our mission is to provide greater access to justice. We do that primarily by providing leadership and funding for legal aid in Florida. We also fund projects to improve Florida’s justice system, including innovations in court operation, and to instill the spirit of public service in law students.

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Florida lawyers — and the broader public — consistently demonstrate their sense of responsibility to care for those in need, and their belief in the value of fairness in our justice system — the very heart of the Foundation’s mission. We invite you to support the work of the Foundation — and make your investment in justice.

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“I worked on two live cases having an immediate impact on our clients.”

“Being able to shadow a senior attorney and really see how she managed her caseload — not just getting individual assignments from various attorneys and not understanding how they fit together, but getting a broader picture of what it is like to be a family law attorney at Legal Aid.”

“The most satisfying aspect of my fellowship was networking with other organizations which serve the indigent population; meeting people in government housing and being able to link them with the services they needed.”

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** Program Revenue**
Lawyers’ Challenge for Children 8.6%* Foundation’s legal assistance for the poor 24.3% Florida Legal Assistance Art Grants & Related Administrative Costs 7.8% Florida Legal Services 38.6% School Loan Repayment Assistance 13.2% Other Revenue 10.2% Management and General* 12.1%** Timelines

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