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The Legal Aider

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The Legal Aider is Legal Aid Society's monthly newsletter. Here we will share highlights from our programs, introduce you to our stellar staff, update you on events and volunteer opportunities, and hopefully inspire you!

Bidding for Costa Rican Dream Vacation Now Open, Ends June 15th! All proceeds to benefit Legal Aid Society!

Need a summer getaway?

Looking for the perfect place for a family holiday or to gather your best friends for a trip of a lifetime?



Enjoy a seven day, six night luxury vacation at Villa Carao 5, a private home at Reserva Conchal Beach, Resort, Golf and Spa.

Auction ends June 15th at

This beautiful private home, donated by Thompson Miller & Simpson, is valued at \$8,000 and is the perfect retreat from your busy life.

5 PM.

Bid Now!

The House



- Sleeps up to four couples comfortably in 3 bedrooms with en suite bathrooms, plus an additional double bed in an independent room.
- Three full and two half bathrooms.
- Fully equipped with all the amenities that make it feel like home, including air conditioning, washer and dryer, dishwasher, formal dining, TV and DVD players, billiards table, Bose music speakers, WI-FI, and a wine cooler!
- Private swimming pool and terrace.

The Extras



- Set on the 10th Fairway of La Reserva Conchal Golf Course, designed by Robert Trent Jones
- Access to the Conchal Beach Club featuring pool and spa, a beauty salon, fitness center, shuttle service, and a bar and restaurants.
- 5 minutes from Playa Conchal Beach and within 30 minutes of five other magnificent beaches, including the lively surfing town of Tamarindo.
- Three hour flight from Atlanta.

Bid Now!

Legal Aid Society Awarded grant to create a Pro Bono Bankrpuptcy Panel

"I believe in second chances."

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Legal Aid Society recently received a grant from the American College of Bankruptcy to create a Pro Bono Bankruptcy Panel. The grant will allow Legal Aid Society to host a C.L.E. later this summer to recruit and train volunteer attorneys, pay for recruitment and training materials, and help cover the staff costs of volunteer case placement and management. The goal of the grant is to create a panel of at least eight qualified and trained volunteer attorneys who agree to take on three bankruptcy cases a year.

Bankruptcy is an essential component of helping low-income individuals and families getting back on solid economic footing. Legal Aid Society focuses our bankruptcy efforts on three key priority areas:

- 1. Clients whose wages are being garnished or threatened with garnishment;
- 2. Clients who face utilities being shut off or the threat of a shut off; and
- 3. Clients whose driver's licenses or commercial licenses have been revoked.

Many of Legal Aid Society's bankruptcy clients are young, single mothers who made mistakes in their youth and need help in rebuilding their futures for themselves and their children. The Senior Attorney in Legal Aid Society's Economic Stability Unit will oversee the Pro Bono Bankruptcy Panel, which will help connect volunteer attorneys to clients in need. "When working with our clients it is easy to see that most are paying the price of poverty," says Maraman. "They are unable to pay medical bills, insurance, and other basic necessities. While others may have made the same financial mistakes that most of us make in our youth by taking on consumer debt, for our clients there is no back-up plan; there is no help. For me, I believe in second chances, and that is why I enjoy this work."



LEGAL AID BY THE NUMBERS

Legal Aid Society provides direct legal representation to over 4,000 individuals annually. Let's drill down and take a look at who we've helped thus far in 2019.

1,920 Closed Cases203 Volunteer Cases2,023 Children as SecondaryBeneficiaries

272 Senior Citizens Assisted **83** Veterans

Types of Cases Closed

- 420 Family Law Cases
- 324 Protective Order Cases
- 109 Consumer Law Cases
- 16 Tax Cases
- 377 Expungement Cases
- 418 Housing Cases
- 81 Life Planning Cases
- 68 Government Benefit Cases
- 107 Other Cases

Counties Served

Legal Aid Society has a fifteen Kentucky county service area (those counties below that are in bold). Legal Aid Society's statewide Custody and Visitation Hotline serves all 120 Kentucky counties in concert with Kentucky Legal Aid, Legal Aid of the Bluegrass, and Appalachian Research and Defense Fund. The following counties represent the home counties of our clients served since January.

Allen, Anderson, Barren, Bath, Boone, Bourbon, Boyd, Boyle, **Breckinridge**, **Bullitt**, Campbell, Carter, Clark, Clay, Fayette, Floyd, Franklin, Garrard, Grant, **Grayson**, Greenup, Hardin, Harlan, Henderson, **Henry**, Hickman, Hopkins, **Jefferson**, Jessamine, Kenton, Knox, **Larue**, Laurel, Lawrence, Lee, Lewis, Lincoln, Lyon, **Marion**, Mason, McCracken, **Meade**, Mercer, **Nelson**, **Oldham**, Owsley, Perry, Pike, Powell, Pulaski, Rowan, Scott, **Shelby**, Simpson, **Spencer**, **Trimble**, Warren, **Washington**, Whitley, Wolfe, and Woodford Counties.

Contribute to Legal Aid Society today!

On behalf of our staff, board, and the thousands of clients we serve each year, thank you for your support.