

Maxwell Street Legal Clinic Board Report 10/5/18

Highlights since 05/01/2018

- Allison Hight passed the bar exam, and will be sworn in on October 22!
- Michelle Haubner was approved for DOJ accreditation, and is now able to practice as a DOJ Accredited Representative.
- Jackeline Diaz Ortiz started with us on August 1, as our newest part-time legal assistant.
- We're moving! On October 15, we're moving back to 315 Lexington Avenue.

Caseload Summary

- Cases handled from 07/17/2018 until 10/01/2018: 137
- Cases handled in the last year: 551
- Averaging 643 calls a month
- For the time being, we remain able to submit DACA renewal applications. We've opened 87 new DACA cases since the January court order.

Funding

- Client fees from 07/01/2018 until 09/30/2018 were \$3,745
- Donations from 07/01/2018 until 09/30/2018 were \$448.50
- Bluegrass Community Foundation grant renewed, with a 10% increase to \$14,520
- Fayette County Bar Foundation grant application submitted
- VOCA grant application submitted

Outreach, Media and Community Involvement

- Since the last board meeting in July 2018, we have reached over 450 people through 15 different outreach, media, and community events.
 - Leah spoke on a panel about DACA, TPS, Asylees, Refugees, and the rapidly changing immigration landscape in those areas at the Center for Migration Studies' Promoting Just and Inclusive Communities in Ohio, Kentucky, and Indiana conference in Cincinnati.
 - Michelle attended the weeklong Kentucky Victim's Assistance Academy (KVAA), receiving trauma-informed training and forming connections with service providers statewide.
 - Leah, Nathalie, and Emily Jones of Kentucky Refugee Ministries presented on Immigration and Victimization at the KVAA.
 - Allison, Michelle, and Leah presented on immigration basics as well as immigration remedies for victims of crime for CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocates) of Lexington.
 - Nathalie presented with Emily Jones on immigration basics and policy changes for the Women Lawyers section of the Fayette County Bar Association.
 - Nathalie, Leah, and Michelle presented on immigration basics to the Governor's Scholar Program.
 - Nathalie has been representing KEJC on a new Language Access Working Group, through the Justice and Public Safety Cabinet, trying to improve language access for crime victims throughout Kentucky.