

Kentucky Equal Justice Center

Director's Activity

October 4 to December 12, 2017

Governance

- Hosted October 6 Board Meeting
- Conducted Staff Representatives Election process
- Worked with Chair to prepare and circulate proposed Bylaws revisions
- Coordinated Audit Committee conference call with Auditor

Management and Administration

- Circulated IRS 990 for FY 2016
- Crafted proposed KEJC budget for 2018
- Managed staff open enrollment for health coverage in 2018
- Worked with programs to calculate statewide funding formula

Grants and Fundraising

- Provided Skadden Foundation with Letter of Commitment to host Fellow
- Filed grant reports:
 - Health Law Fellowship Interim Financial Report
 - Promoting Responsive Health Policy Interim [Report](#) (with Miranda)
 - CLINIC financial report
- Filed grant proposals or agreements:

	Amount
○ Fayette County Bar Foundation	\$ 5,000 awarded
○ Skadden Fellowship	\$61,491 match
○ Health Law Fellowship 2018	\$45,000 awarded
- Launched 2018 Good Giving Challenge (with Marcie) \$ 8,333 so far
- Planned holiday fundraising letter \$16,000 sought
- Prepared thank you letters for donors

Task Forces

Participated in planning, speaker recruitment and presentations for:

- Family Law Task Force (October 24)
- Health and Welfare Task Force (October 27)
- Consumer and Housing Task Force (November 2)
- Worker's Rights Task Force (December 5)

Workers' Rights Advocacy

- Participated in Public Welfare Foundation "Wage Theft Cohort" calls monthly
- Arranged for NELP expert workers' comp expert Debbie Berkowitz to address task force
- Linked volunteer Geri Grigsby with McKenzie re fair contracting and wage theft ordinance

Health and Public Benefits Advocacy

- Participated in biweekly calls with NHeLP and Southern Poverty Law Center on potential challenges to Kentucky 1115 waiver (with Anne Marie, Cara and Miranda)
- With Kentucky Voices for Health and KCEP, received and reviewed LRC draft bill to protect patients from “surprise” medical bills
- Participated in Kentucky Voices for Health:
 - InsureKY campaign meetings and calls (weekly)
 - Strategic Planning Sessions (October 25, December 1)
- Attended Kentucky Health Benefit Exchange Update Meeting for application assistor groups, as member (October 19)
- Organized Kentucky advocates’ meeting with Ana Hicks and Ed Bolen of Center on Budget, on SNAP caseload trends and policy changes and the HOPE Act (November 29)
- Participated in advocates’ meetings with Rep. Joni Jenkins and DCBS Commissioner and staff on Kentucky SNAP trends and policies, with Ed Bolen and Ana Hicks (November 30)
- Commissioned Mason Dixon Poll questions on public support of Kentucky HEALTH waiver reduction in coverage and use of six month lockout for failure to report (December 12)

AmeriCorps VISTA

- Met weekly with new VISTA Outreach Specialist Corinna Svarlien

Legislative and Administrative Advocacy

- Attended Interim Joint Committee on Health and Welfare (October 11)
- Attended House Working Group on Adoption (October 17)
- Attended Budget Review Subcommittee on Human Resources (October 26)

Communications

- Joined in weekly calls of “health gains social media” team (with Kentucky Voices for Health)
- Consulted regularly with Marcie re messages on other poverty law topics
- Worked with Corinna to implement incremental improvements in KEJC website

Media

- Linked CNN reporter with Cara and Kentucky Voices for Health for story on adults who could be affected by Kentucky HEALTH work requirements

Attended or participated in . . .

- Retirement reception for Glenda Harrison (October 12)
- Launch event for Smoke Free Tomorrow coalition (October 18)
- Altarum Health Value Conference in New Orleans (November 6-8)
- Center on Budget and Policy Priorities Impact 2017 Conference in DC (November 15-17)
- Good Giving Campaign Kickoff Rally (November 28)