

Maxwell Street Legal Clinic Board Report 07/11/2019

Highlights since 04/23/2019

- Nathalie Dietrich has been approved for full accreditation and can now practice before the Executive Office of Immigration Review and the Board of Immigration Appeals!
- Maddy attended the National Association of Judiciary Interpreters and Translators' Annual Conference in Nashville, honing her interpretation and translation abilities.
- Allison, Michelle, and Nathalie attended the annual CLINIC Convening in Pittsburgh.
- Leah attended the annual AILA National Conference in Orlando.

Caseload Summary

- Cases handled from 04/18/2019 to 07/08/2019: 145
- Cases handled in the last year: 515
- Averaging 634 calls a month

Funding

- Client fees from 04/16/2019 until 06/30/2019 were \$3,082.
- We received \$11,000 from the Kentucky Bar Foundation, to help people apply for and maintain their lawful permanent residence.
- In June, we re-applied for the VOCA grant.

Outreach, Media and Community Involvement

- Since the last board meeting in April 2019, we have participated in the following outreach, media, training, and community events:
 - Allison and Michelle presented on Immigration remedies for crime victims at the Attorney General's Victim Assistance Conference. We've attended the past few years, but this was our first year presenting.
 - Nathalie was on the planning committee for the Refugee and Immigrant Integration Summit—formerly the World Refugee Day Summit—and Michelle and Allison presented on immigration remedies for crime victims.
 - Leah and Nathalie spoke at the BCTC Cultural Competency Institute about the work that MSLC does, challenges that immigrant students may be facing, and how staff and faculty can be supportive.
 - We've continued our radio show with Victor Palomino at Lexington Community Radio. Once a month we have a bilingual conversation about immigration issues. Recently we have discussed citizenship and immigration myths.
 - We had 2 family petition information sessions, providing information on the family reunification process, and will continue having monthly sessions due to increased demand.
 - Nathalie has been representing KEJC at a Language Access Working Group, through the Justice and Public Safety Cabinet, trying to improve language access for crime victims throughout Kentucky.