

Kentucky Equal Justice Center

Director's Activity Highlights

July 10 to September 25, 2019

Governance

- Hosted KEJC Board Meeting (July 11)
- Reached out to potential strategic planning consultants
- Held board orientation call with new Community Member (September 25)

Management and Administration

- Reconciled accounts with Treasurer (August 9)
- Provided requested materials to auditor (August 26)
- Completed interviews and welcomed new Food Justice Fellow (August 23)
- Coordinated Legal Files case management training webinars (August 28, September 5)
- Participated in Legal Work Committee meeting (September 6)

Grants and Fundraising

- Filed grant reports:
 - United Way of the Bluegrass
 - Kentucky Bar Foundation
 - Public Welfare Foundation
 - Catholic Diocese of Lexington (with Leah)
- Filed grant proposals or agreements:

| | Amount | Status |
|---------------------------------|----------|-----------|
| ○ "Boots on the Ground" | \$50,000 | awarded |
| ○ Fayette County Bar Foundation | \$7,633 | requested |
- Interviewed potential event planners for Maxwell Street Legal Clinic 20th
- Updated Good Giving portrait and registered for Good Giving Challenge 2019

Task Forces

- Held planning calls with chairs of Welfare and Health Task Force and Family Law Task Force and moderated Emerging Issues session at Statewide Conference.

Workers' Rights Advocacy

- Brainstormed workers' rights messaging with Allison, Ben and McKenzie on three themes: make work pay, make it safe, make it family friendly (August 15, September 10)
- Launched email thread to help coordinate response to Black Jewell failure to pay miners in the wake of company bankruptcy (with McKenzie) (July 30)

Health and Public Benefits Advocacy

- Held planning call with Center on Budget and Policy Priorities experts and Kentucky allies for potential KEJC testimony before Public Benefits Reform Task Force (July 10)
- Recruited Elaine Waxman of Urban Institute as potential expert witness for Public Benefits Reform Task Force and secured initial agreement for her to appear (later canceled)
- With advocacy partners, met with Senators Humphries, Westerfield and Wise on topics before the Public Benefits Reform Task Force (July 19, August 19)
- Attended Public Benefits Reform Task Force meeting (August 19)
- Participated in Kentucky Voices for Health:
 - InsureKY coordination calls (almost weekly)
 - Advocacy workshop planning meeting (July 30)
 - Advocacy workshop in Lexington (August 13)
 - Drafting process for SNAP reg comment collector
- Reviewed staff comments on multiple federal rules

AmeriCorps VISTA

- Met with new VISTA coordinator Shawn Bumpase at the Plantory (August 27)

Communications

- Met periodically with Allison re messaging (plus frequent email communication)

Attended or participated in . . .

- Legal Impact Network Convening (July 15-16)
- Access to Justice Commission convening (July 19) and conference call (September 12)
- Good Giving Campaign 2019 Orientation as panelist (September 3)
- Kentucky Legal Services Statewide Conference (September 18-19)
- Foundation for a Healthy Kentucky Best Forum (September 24)
- Foundation for a Healthy Kentucky Community Advisory Council (September 25)
- Lexington Community Radio “On Common Ground” event (September 27)