

Maxwell Street Legal Clinic Board Report 12/13/2018

Highlights since 10/05/2018

- Our 2018-2019 VOCA grant was approved!
- Allison Hight was sworn in as an attorney on October 22, 2018!
- We moved! On October 15, we moved back to 315 Lexington Avenue.
- Gabriela Dawson started with us on November 5, as our newest part-time legal assistant.
- Nathalie Dietrich submitted her application for naturalization!

Caseload Summary

- Cases handled from 10/01/2018 until 12/06/2018: 136
- Cases handled in the last year: 507
- Averaging 645 calls a month
- During our first VOCA year, we assisted 77 individuals under the project

Funding

- Client fees from 10/01/2018 until 11/30/2018 were \$3,640
- VOCA grant approved for \$202,463
- Fayette County Bar Foundation grant approved for \$5,000
- Maxwell Street Presbyterian Church Endowment Committee awarded \$3,693.60

Outreach, Media and Community Involvement

- Since the last board meeting in October 2018, we have participated in the following outreach, media, and community events
 - Allison and Leah presented on immigration remedies for victims of crime at the 20th Ending Sexual Assault and Domestic Violence Conference, which Nathalie and Maddy also attended
 - Leah, Maddy, and Miranda attended Catholic Charities' Labor Trafficking Conference in Louisville
 - Our VOCA team has worked on improving and rekindling partnerships, including visiting the Nest and Children's Advocacy Center
 - Leah and Nathalie started a radio show with Victor Palomino at Lexington Community Radio, once a month we'll have a bilingual conversation about immigration issues
 - We volunteered at the Thoroughbred Classic 5k, as a charity partner
 - We had a family petition information session, providing information on the family reunification process
 - Nathalie will be on the planning committee for the 6th World Refugee Day Summit at the Lexington Public Library
 - 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