



Pro Bono with Impact

Efficient, Effective, Essential

The Lawyers Clearinghouse connects pro bono lawyers with nonprofits and people in need to promote access to justice, strengthen communities, and end homelessness. Learn more at: www.lawyersclearinghouse.org



Leveraging resources.

By calling on practicing and retired lawyers to volunteer their time and expertise, we leverage our resources to provide an estimated **\$6 million** worth of legal assistance to our nonprofit and homeless clients.



A few helping many.

In FY2016, with four staff members and the help of hundreds of volunteers, we facilitated legal assistance for **154 homeless clients** and **172 nonprofits**, and provided educational programs for **592 attendees**.

What We Do

Legal Referral Program

Provides quality pro bono opportunities for firm and in-house attorneys to assist nonprofits with a wide range of legal needs. Legal assessments for nonprofits are also performed to ensure a strong nonprofit sector.

Legal Workshops for Nonprofits

A variety of legal seminars on topics relevant to nonprofits are developed and presented by expert pro bono attorneys.

Access to Justice Fellows Program

Retired or transitioning lawyers and judges are connected with nonprofit and legal services organizations to provide critical legal assistance to underserved individuals and community groups.

Massachusetts Legal Clinic for the Homeless

Volunteer lawyers from law firms and corporate legal departments provide pro bono representation to homeless and very low-income individuals at six shelter locations.

How We Do It

Legal Referral Program for Nonprofits

"I can't overstate how helpful our lawyer was. He responded right away to my questions, and truly went above and beyond in helping us navigate this situation smoothly. We are a small nonprofit, and simply could never have afforded such exceptional legal advice."



Nonprofits and prospective nonprofits contact and are vetted by the Clearinghouse.



Nonprofits are connected with a lawyer or a team of lawyers.



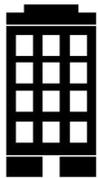
Nonprofits meet with lawyers to discuss their needs.



Nonprofits work with lawyers to find solutions at no cost to the organization.

Massachusetts Legal Clinic for the Homeless

"Thank you again so much for all you've done! I am warm and safe with my dog this holiday because of what you did for me!"



Every other Friday, volunteer lawyers meet at one of six Boston-area homeless shelters.



Volunteers conduct intakes with clinic clients seeking help with civil legal issues.



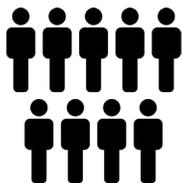
Volunteers meet with legal services experts and staff to discuss the cases and form potential strategies.



Clients work with volunteer lawyers to access housing, receive benefits, seal their records, and more, at no cost to the client.

Access to Justice Fellows Program

"It can be very isolating to retire and this program gives people a whole new way to engage. I get to sit down with other Fellows, talk about these problems, try to unravel them and do something good about them; it's a great thing."



Senior lawyers and retired judges sign on to serve as Access to Justice Fellows.



Each Fellow partners with a nonprofit organization, court, or other public service entity working on access to justice issues.



Fellows and partner organizations work together on access to justice projects that help people and groups in need.