

Dear NAME,

The Ohio State Bar Foundation had a very successful year in 2019. We accomplished numerous milestones, including the continuation of our first-ever strategic grant and awarding a record amount of grant funding to non-profits all over the state of Ohio.

The OSBF awarded its first strategic grant to Issue Media Group in 2018, and in doing so provided funding to improve the civics knowledge of adults in Ohio, while bettering their access to justice and perceptions of the legal system. More than 380,000 people were reached through editorial stories, surveys and popular trivia events at libraries. This multi-year grant continued funding in 2019, so that Issue Media may advance readership and engagement around the state.

In 2019, the OSBF awarded a record \$860,000 in grant funding to organizations that are working for a better justice system in Ohio—a nearly 16 percent increase over 2018!

Enclosed with this letter, you will find short summaries of our 2019 grantees, highlighting the important work they are doing in Ohio. From Cuyahoga County to Franklin County to Wayne County, these grants have provided trainings for CASA volunteers, educational presentations about our court system and efficient online intake for Legal Aid. As you can see, we made a huge impact throughout Ohio. Your continued financial support and volunteer participation in the OSBF enables us to further change the lives of Ohioans across the state.

We also want to make you aware of the many exciting things happening at the OSBF this year. We are welcoming a new class of Fellows, distinguished and civic-minded lawyers from all parts of Ohio. We also are hosting our first-ever Fellows Week of Service, kicking off with a symposium on April 27 at the Ohio Statehouse. *On the Margin: Foster Youth at Risk for Human Trafficking* will bring together organizations that are at the forefront of challenging the growing threat of human trafficking in Ohio.

This year, the Foundation will receive more grant requests from Ohio organizations in need. Please consider giving a gift today so that we may continue the work that impacts so many lives. Your gift may be sent to the OSBF using the enclosed return envelope, or, if you prefer, you can make your gift online by visiting us at OSBF.org/donate.

This year let's do more: more to enhance our legal system, more to help our communities understand their rights and access justice, and more to improve the state of Ohio for all who live here.

Thank you for all your support. Through you, we are making a tremendous difference in Ohio.

Sincerely,

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