



The Nebraska Lawyers Foundation is the charitable fundraising arm of the Nebraska State Bar Association. It raises funding for programs dedicated to ensuring justice for all Nebraskans and strengthening the legal profession.



SERVING THE COMMUNITY

Volunteer Lawyers Project

For more than three decades, VLP and its network of volunteer lawyers have provided critical civil legal services to Nebraska residents. VLP promotes equal justice by facilitating pro bono projects that make it convenient, rewarding, and impactful for lawyers to help eligible low-income Nebraskans get the legal assistance they desperately need. In 2016, VLP, through 304 volunteers, helped 7,505 Nebraskans access a lawyer, the courts and legal services.

7,505

NEBRASKANS HELPED

304

VOLUNTEERS

Rural Practice Initiative

The number of practicing attorneys in “Greater Nebraska” is shrinking dramatically. The goal of the Rural Practice Initiative (RPI) is to increase the number of attorneys practicing in underserved rural communities. In 2016, 23 law firms and 43 law students participated in two interview sessions in Kearney and Norfolk. As a result eight students were hired in rural Nebraska for associate positions and four were hired for summer clerkship positions.

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HIRES IN
RURAL NEBRASKA



SERVING THE PROFESSION

Nebraska Lawyers Assistance Program

The Nebraska Lawyers Assistance Program offers help to lawyers, judges and law students troubled by substance abuse problems, stress, depression or any other issue which may impair their ability to perform in a competent and professional manner. The foundation of NLAP is a statewide network of judges and lawyers who understand. The NLAP Director and the network of NLAP volunteers stand ready to assist their colleagues in all areas of recovery. In 2016, NLAP provided assistance to 135 lawyers, judges, law students, and their families affected by addiction, mental illness, stress or other life-related problems.

135

ASSISTED

SOLACE

If you are aware of anyone within the Nebraska legal community (lawyers, law office personnel, judges, courthouse employees or law students) who suffers a sudden, catastrophic loss due to an unexpected event, illness or injury, the SOLACE Program can likely assist that person in some meaningful way. We have a statewide-and-beyond network of generous Nebraska attorneys willing to help.

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REQUESTS MADE

LSAT Prep Scholarship Program

The LSAT Prep Scholarship Program provides scholarships for Kaplan LSAT Prep courses and covers the cost of LSAT exam fees for recipients who are historically underrepresented in Nebraska’s law schools, demonstrate economic need, and reside in Nebraska.

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LSAT PREP
SCHOLARSHIPS

Leadership Academy

The Leadership Academy helps lawyers develop the leadership skills they need to make greater contributions to the profession and their communities.

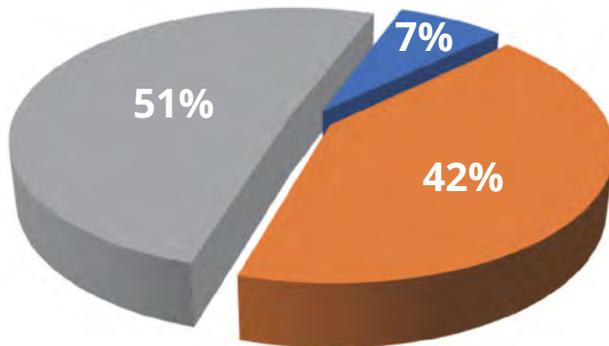
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GRADUATES



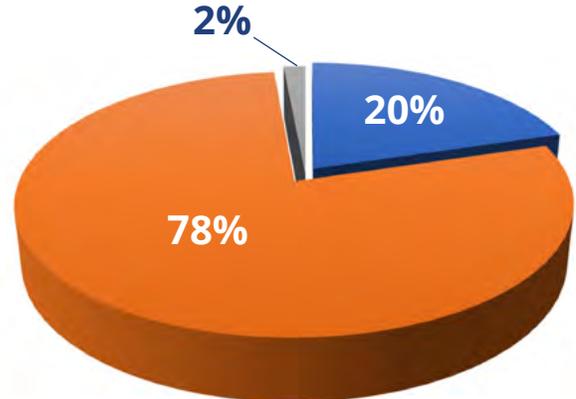
2016 NLF FINANCIAL REPORT

REVENUES



- Individual/Business Contributions
\$30,195
 - Special Events
(Barristers' Ball, Golf Tournament, Trivia Night)
\$172,495
 - State Grants
\$210,423
- Total
\$419,467

EXPENSES



- Administrative and Compliance Expense
\$5,784
 - Event Expenses
(Barristers' Ball, Golf Tournament, Trivia Night)
\$78,595
 - Grants to NLF Programs
\$302,035
- Total
\$386,414



2016 NLF PROGRAM SUPPORT

Volunteer Lawyers Project	\$233,822
Nebraska Lawyers Assistance Program	\$29,890
Rural Practice Initiative	\$14,819
Leadership Academy	\$15,399
LSAT Prep Scholarship Program	\$6,905
SOLACE	\$1,200

\$302,035
IN PROGRAM GRANTS

With support from NSBA members, firms, partner organizations, and the legal community, NLF continues to serve the public and the legal community. We want to thank the **633** donors this past year that contributed to the Nebraska Lawyers Foundation. **THANK YOU!**