

2018 ACJF Grants

TOTAL Awarded: \$503,000

Family & Children Grants

Total Awarded: \$115,000

- Aid to Inmate Mothers (AIM): \$25,000
 - Child Protect, Children's Resource Center: \$10,000
 - Alabama School Readiness Alliance (ASRA) (*March 2018*): \$15,000
Alabama Pre-K Voter Opinion Poll
 - Alabama Network of Family Resource Centers: \$30,000
 - Children's of Alabama: \$15,000
Safe Kids – Teen Driver Safety Education
 - Sight Savers Alabama: \$20,000
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Civil Legal Aid Grants – Total Awarded: \$85,000

- Legal Services Alabama, Inc.: \$25,000
 - Birmingham Bar Volunteer Lawyers Program: \$15,000
 - Madison County Volunteer Lawyers Program: \$15,000
 - Montgomery Bar Volunteer Lawyers Program: \$15,000
 - South Alabama Volunteer Lawyers Program: \$15,000
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Foreclosure Prevention Legal Aid (*May 2018*) continuation—Year 3

Total Awarded: \$286,000

- Alabama State Bar Volunteer Lawyers Program: \$30,000
 - Birmingham Bar Volunteer Lawyers Program: \$45,000
 - Legal Services Alabama, Inc.: \$135,000
 - Madison County Volunteer Lawyers Program: \$25,000
 - Montgomery Bar Volunteer Lawyers Program: \$30,000
 - South Alabama Volunteer Lawyers Program: \$21,000
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Thanks for Making a Difference Grants (*September 2018*)

Nominated by ACJF IOLTA Participants

Total Awarded: \$17,000

This new grant process allowed attorneys with an ACJF IOLTA account to invite a nonprofit making a difference in their community to apply for up to a \$3,000 grant? We received 23 nominations and the applications were reviewed and rated by current and past non-lawyer board members. Seven winners were selected and approved by the ACJF Board. Congratulations to the organizations that will be receiving a grant award check to be delivered by the nominating lawyer.

Extended Family - \$3,000

Nominated By: Marcie L. Foster, Leesburg

Based in Cherokee County public schools, this program works with families of prisoners to help them successfully adjust to a new way of life. ACJF funds will provide financial assistance for materials, staff, and support needed to accommodate growth in 2018-19 student enrollment.

United Cerebral Palsy of Huntsville - \$3,000

Nominated By: Jeremiah Hodges, Huntsville

This grant will support UCP's weekly preschool readiness playgroup open to any child with disabilities and their typically developing siblings, ages 1-3 years, in UCP Huntsville's six-county service area. Aimed at increasing communication, social and daily living skills, fostering the child's ability to follow directions, and expanding their school readiness (counting, letters, cutting, coloring, and more).

FOCUS on Senior Citizens of Tuscaloosa County - \$3,000

Nominated By: David P. Martin, Tuscaloosa

Grant is for FOCUS's Chore Aid Program, which is designed to provide assistance to senior citizens in the form of light house work, cleaning, lawn care, basic needs shopping, assistance with medication, etc. enabling many more low-income seniors to remain in their home.

YouthServe - \$2,000

Nominated By: John Saxon, Birmingham

Grant will support the in-school project-based learning program known as the Changemaker Councils based in Birmingham City Schools. It provides an opportunity for students to use collaborative and creative thinking skills to increase basic social competencies among youth, increase their sense of community connectedness, and develop their skills in civic action.

The Exchange Center - \$2,000

Nominated By: Ernest Hornsby, Dothan

The Baby Whisperer Program, which aims to provide every new baby the best possible start by providing individualized education and support to parents which begins while Mom and Baby are in the hospital. Included will be an "Instruction Manual for Babies" that lists all of the resources of children and families in the Wiregrass area, information on the dangers of Shaken Baby Syndrome and other child abuse and neglect prevention information.

Alabama Center for Law & Civic Education - \$2,000

Nominated By: Rita McKannan, Huntsville

Funds will support "Project Citizen", a citizenship education program, which primarily aims to teach students in Grades 5-12 how to monitor and influence public policy in the context of a specific community problem. This and other programs of ACLCE aim to prepare youth to become active, engaged, and informed participants in a democratic society.

Palmer Williams Group (PWG) - \$2,000

Nominated By: Eaton Barnard, Mobile

David Palmer and Sherman Williams, co-founders of the Palmer-Williams Group (PWG), are former student-athletes from U. of A. and former professional football players. This grant will provide funding for their youth sports programs which also offers life skills ranging from ethics to health & wellness to ensure that children are learning skills they can use ON and OFF the field.