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HAPPY NEW YEAR FROM INDY LEGAL AID

We would like to thank our generous donors for giving to our 2021 Attorney/Holiday Campaign. These funds allow us to increase the number of individuals who we are able to assist in 2022. Last year our attorneys helped nearly 5,000 clients with their legal issues. This number does not take into consideration families, neighbors, and communities positively impacted by Indy Legal Aid's assistance. We'll have more to share next month regarding the campaign donation total.

Meet Indy Legal Aid's New Legal Secretary

Indy Legal Aid is so pleased to welcome Richeleine Fraide who has joined our team as a legal secretary. Although Richeleine has been with us only a short time, she has proven invaluable to our attorneys and clients.

Originally from Broward County, Florida, Richeleine received Certificate Awards from Broward College as an Associate Of Science in Criminal Justice Technology in 2015 and Associate In Art in Criminal Justice in 2016. Additional Certificate Awards include Business Specialist in 2016 and Business Management in 2019 and Accounting Technology Specialist in 2019.



She received her Bachelor's degree in Design and Social Inquiry from Florida Atlantic University in 2019.

Richeleine chose law, and subsequently Indy Legal Aid, because she wanted to make a difference in people's lives. "Indy Legal Aid makes a difference in our clients' lives every day providing legal assistance and other resources to help with the issues they face," commented Richeleine.

Richeleine is a single mother with two children. "I went to college and worked two jobs to take care of my kids," said Richeleine. "Anything is possible as long as you put your mind to it and work hard. Do not give up on your dreams."

Indy Legal Aid Receives Lilly Endowment Enhancing Opportunity in Indianapolis Grant



Indy Legal Aid has received a Lilly Endowment Enhancing Opportunity five-year grant for the Build Yourself Plus: Good People, Good Jobs, Good Careers program (BY PLUS), a collaboration between Indy Legal Aid, the Central Indiana Community Foundation, Indiana Construction Roundtable Foundation, and NeighborLink.

The purpose of the BY PLUS program is to eradicate legal barriers to obtaining employment, provide sustainable employment in the construction industry, transform neighborhoods, and change the lives of thousands of low income, minority, unemployed and under-employed Indianapolis residents.

Indy Legal Aid's role is to provide a legal assessment for each student who is enrolled in the BY PLUS program. Our attorneys will advise, advocate, and/or represent students regarding a number of issues, such as driver's license reinstatement, landlord/tenant and eviction, debt, and family law issues.

Enhancing Opportunity in Indianapolis is a Lilly Endowment initiative designed to help individuals and families facing complex and varied challenges associated with poverty make progress toward lasting economic self-sufficiency.

Volunteer Opportunities



Indy Legal Aid has a number of volunteer opportunities for attorneys, students, and the general public. For attorneys, we have pro bono cases, internships for students, and our spring and fall events, along with light office work.

No time to volunteer? Donate now!

Thank You!

We have several ways for you to make a difference in the lives of our most vulnerable Hoosiers in Central Indiana. Approximately \$.90 of every dollar donated to Indianapolis Legal Aid Society is directly used to provide programs and services. For more information, click [here](#).

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1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

"The Indianapolis Legal Aid Society is dedicated to ensuring that qualified low-income persons living in the Central Indiana community have access to quality legal assistance for civil disputes."



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