



Virginia Law Foundation

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Virginia Law Foundation Awards \$753,000 in Grants to Advance Law-Related Projects

CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA, **July 14, 2026** — The Virginia Law Foundation (VLF) is proud to award \$753,000 in 2026 grants to 34 organizations whose work expands access to justice, fosters respect for the Rule of Law, and provides meaningful law-related education to Virginians. This year's grants will support projects that strengthen civic knowledge, empower current and future generations of citizen lawyers, and help bridge the justice gap by addressing the legal needs of low-income Virginians.

“The Virginia Law Foundation’s commitment to creating a more just Virginia is best demonstrated through our philanthropy,” states **VLF CEO Brigadier General (Ret.) Alison Martin**. “These annual grants are made possible not only through the generous support of our donors, our Virginia CLE customers, and the legal community at large, but also through the dedicated work of our Grants Committee and staff, whose thoughtful stewardship of the process helps ensure these funds make a tangible difference in the lives of thousands of Virginians.”

Each year, the VLF's Grants Committee evaluates applications through a rigorous review process that considers each proposal's alignment with the organization's mission. Because funding requests total approximately twice the amount available for grants each year, the Committee carefully identifies projects that will have the greatest impact across the Commonwealth. “The work of the Grants Committee is important, intensive, and ultimately inspirational,” says **Committee Chair and Vice President Darrel Tillar Mason**. “It is important that the Committee carefully reviews each of the applications to ensure that the requested funding promotes one or more of the VLF’s mission pillars and that the applicant’s organizational structure is sound. While the work is intensive, hearing from recipients how our grants have positively impacted the lives of so many Virginians is inspirational and makes the hard work of the staff and Committee worthwhile.”

Since the establishment of its grants program in 1984, the VLF has awarded more than \$30 million in grants to initiatives and nonprofits across Virginia. To celebrate and award this year’s grants, the Virginia Law Foundation will host its Grants Luncheon on August 20 at the Virginia Museum of History and Culture.

A complete list of this year’s awards is below, and to learn more about the Virginia Law Foundation’s 2026 grant recipients, **visit this page**.

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About the Virginia Law Foundation

The Virginia Law Foundation has provided more than \$30 million in grants since its inception to support law related projects throughout the Commonwealth that further its mission to facilitate access to justice and promote an understanding of the Rule of Law. **Virginia CLE**, the VLF’s education division, is the recognized leader in providing continuing education for Virginia lawyers.

The Virginia Law Foundation accepts donations year-round and guarantees that 100% of every unrestricted donation is allocated to the grants program. Its two designated funds include the Bobzien-Gaither Education Fund, which supports ongoing continuing legal education and engagement, and the Adam Roush Fund for Wellness, which supports wellness programming and equitable access to well-being resources for legal professionals.

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