

# **2024** Opportunity Grant Recipients

# California Collaborative for Immigrant Justice (CCIJ) (CA) \$25,000

The 2024 ABE Opportunity Grant will help support the creation and distribution of pro se material provided to people in immigrant detention centers. CCIJ will provide information packets and community workshops for detained immigrants and their loved ones to help them represent themselves. To learn more, visit <u>CCIJ</u>.

# Code the Dream (National)

Code the Dream is working to expand access to US Department of Labor jobs for H2A workers. Through their partnership with Texas RioGrande Legal Aid, they will develop a free H2A Labor Camp Spreadsheet Builder that connects with apps already being used, allowing H2A workers and farm owners to connect in a more efficient manner. To learn more, visit <u>Code the Dream</u>.

### DC Refers (DC)

\$15,000

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DC Refers is working to connect modest means clients with affordable legal help. With the 2024 ABE Opportunity Grant, they will build a feature in their intake portal that streamlines referral requests, allowing attorney and client time to be used more accurately and efficiently. It will also help clients who are not familiar with legal jargon connect with the correct resources. To learn more, visit <u>DC Refers</u>.

## Home is Here NOLA (LA, MS, AL)

#### \$25,000

Home is Here NOLA is developing a digital hub that will deliver specialized legal orientation information to newly arrived asylum-seekers and other detained immigrants. This new delivery model will work to connect this community with the legal resources they need as they navigate the complex immigration system. To learn more, visit <u>Home is Here NOLA</u>.

# ideas 42 (National)

(Un)warranted, ideas42's new initiative, harnesses behavioral science to redesign the court date communications people receive. Currently, more than one in three court dates are missed and it is one of the most common reasons for arrest and jail.
(Un)warranted will work to significantly reduce nonappearances in court and the harmful consequences that follow. To learn more, visit ideas42.

# Justicia Lab (NY)

iReclamo!, Justicia Lab's digital legal tool designed for immigrant workers and their advocates, helps automate and simplify the wage theft filing process. The 2024 ABE Opportunity Grant will assist in the creation of a Workplace Justice Advocate Training program, which will be used to train and equip non-lawyer advocates to conduct Employment Know Your Rights workshops and to file formal wage theft complaints on ¡Reclamo!. To learn more, visit Justicia Lab.

# National Association of Counsel for Children (NACC) (National) \$25,000

NACC will use the 2024 ABE Opportunity Grant to produce a video series to accompany their *Exercise Your Rights: A Guide for Youth in Foster Care about Legal Rights and Attorney-Client Relationships* material. This video series will depict the top five scenarios of concern by youth, and will be accessible for young people who are self-advocating or working with an attorney. To learn more, visit <u>NACC</u>.

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# National Center for Victims of Crime (NCVC) \$20,500 (National)

The NCVC is utilizing the 2024 ABE Opportunity Grant to develop the Advocate's Mobile Pocket Guide, which will arm victim service providers with specialized tools essential to supporting victims. These tools will be trauma-informed, culturally responsive, and centered in victim safety, confidentiality, and privacy, and will sevre as a hub for essential information on specialized topics such as crime victims' rights, civil justice and criminal justice. To learn more, visit <u>NCVC</u>.

# Neighborhood Christian Legal Clinic (IN)

#### \$23,500

The Clinic works to reduce recidivism through connecting community members with meaningful employment and reliable transportation, as well as assisting with expungements. Using the 2024 ABE Opportunity Grant, they will implement a remote intake portal that will reduce administrative time strains and allow the Clinic to serve a larger number of people more efficiently. To learn more, visit <u>Neighborhood Christiaan</u> <u>Legal Clinic</u>.

# Partners for Justice (National)

\$25,000

Partners for Justice will use the 2024 ABE Opportunity Grant to help create The Collaborative Defense in a Box, a resource bank for public defenders. This product will allow public defenders to self-analyze and identify areas in need of improvement, as well as provide tools to achieve that improvement. The final project will be free, universally available, and widely distributed among individuals and partner organizations. To learn more, visit <u>Partners for Justice</u>.

### Start Small Think Big (National)

The 2024 ABE Opportunity Grant will aid in the development of the Start Small Web Portal, which will be used to guide the free legal technical assistance received by small business clients from pro bono attorney volunteers. The portal will streamline and standardize the intake process, document uploads, scheduling, data tracking, and surveying, allowing Start Small to serve their small business clients more efficiently. To learn more, visit <u>Start Small Think Big</u>.

# The Right to Immigration Institute (TRII)\$25,000Dignidad

#### (MA)

Dignidad is a project which will give refugees and other forced migrants the training, experience, and resources to become Department of Justice Accredited Representatives empowered to represent other forced migrants in immigration proceedings, bail hearings, trials, and appeals. The 2024 ABE Opportunity Grant will help Dignidad make available trainings in both English and Spanish. To learn more, visit <u>Dignidad</u>.

## Women on the Rise (GA)

\$20,500

Women on the Risa will use their 2024 ABE Opportunity Grant to conduct research on parole outcomes for women serving life sentences in Georgia prisons. This research will then be utilized for a public education campaign, including storytelling and individual and policy advocacy. The research will also be used to update a Parole Advocacy Toolkit, a resource available to incarcerated individuals that assists in pro se parole advocacy. To learn more, visit Women on the Rise.