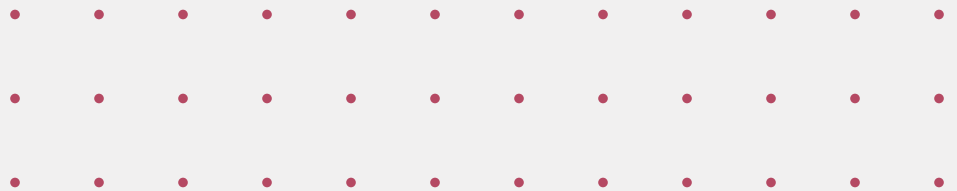


# 2019 Annual Report

## 40th Anniversary Edition



# Our **Mission**

Atlanta Volunteer Lawyers Foundation (AVLF) is a nonprofit that stands with low-income Atlantans as they demand safe and stable housing, insist on fair pay, and break free from intimate partner abuse. We are the largest provider of pro bono legal services in Atlanta, and we leverage the collective power of our professional community to provide free legal and social services to our clients when they need it most.

With teams at Fulton County Courthouse and deeply embedded in Atlanta's under-served communities, we meet our clients where they are, geographically and emotionally, and address not just their legal needs, but whatever else they need to thrive.

For over 40 years, Atlanta's brightest legal talents have volunteered their time to help our clients in their fight for justice— and have found that they get a great deal back in return. As these lawyers lift the community, their personal and professional lives—and the lives of our clients—are enriched in equal measure. Together, we're working to create safer and more stable families, homes and communities, and a more fair and equitable Atlanta.



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**40** YEARS OF **STANDING**  
WITH **ATLANTA**

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# Letter from Executive Director **Marty Ellin** & Deputy Director **Michael Lucas**

Innovation demands that problem solvers answer two questions: “Why?” and “Why Not?”

In the late 1970s, the Atlanta legal community noticed a problem. So many low-income Atlantans with a legal issue had little access to the justice they deserved. Why? Because they could not afford a lawyer. Because representing themselves was usually out of the question: the legal process was rarely a user-friendly one for non-lawyers. And because Georgia’s excellent Legal Services programs were too frequently over-subscribed.

There was a creative solution to the problem: why not tap the enthusiasm and good will of private lawyers, who would donate their time and talent to offer pro bono representation?

Atlanta Volunteer Lawyers Foundation (AVLF) was formed in 1979 to assure that no one standing up for their legal rights should have to do it alone. Forty years, tens of thousands of clients, tens of thousands of volunteer lawyers, and millions of dollars worth of free, high quality legal services later, we remain the channel through which legal support – and justice – may be available when there is no other access possible.

Our determination to respond to our clients’ most challenging legal problems has meant the constant evolution of our pro bono programs. A staff once comprised of 6 (and mostly lawyers) is now more than 40 (which includes social workers, community advocates, and more). A team that was only able to respond after a crisis now works closer to the source of the legal trouble, helping to avert the dilemmas for which there are few good legal answers. And perhaps most importantly, programs once only delivered from Peachtree Center in downtown Atlanta are now offered through satellite offices located in 9 Atlanta public schools and the Fulton County Courthouse.

Closer to our client’s homes and neighborhoods, we are able to have a much deeper appreciation of, and more effective response to, the inter-relatedness of housing instability, education, health, homelessness, and intimate partner abuse.

Sustaining the spirit of creative solutions, we are pinpointing the barriers to the safety and stability of low-income Atlantans, then designing responses that keep pushing the edge of what has been considered best practices. Having built programs that are national models in the areas of both tenant representation and assistance to survivors of intimate partner abuse, we are asking more questions, looking at earlier intervention and prevention, and challenging ourselves to do more.

As we enter a new decade, we know that all of these innovations – every one of our successes – came when we decided to center our clients in all that we do. Wanting to better reach them, better serve them, and better learn from them was at the center of every programmatic decision, every hire, every partnership we pursued, and every relationship we built. We also know that we couldn't have done any of it without you – our supporters. We have learned a great deal together thus far. We are, however, merely at the beginning of this journey to help bring stability to all Atlanta families.

This co-authored letter is written as we begin 2020, our tenth year working joyfully together, and the last year we will do so. On December 31, 2020, Marty will leave his position as the AVLF Executive Director; on January 1, 2021, Michael becomes our new Executive Director. As is obvious from the report that follows about 2019, all of us at AVLF are extremely excited for the chance to serve our city with professionalism and integrity, providing Atlantans in crisis with the legal and social services they need most to thrive.

As you read this Annual Report, please know that we welcome your interest in our mission, our work and our outcomes, and we thank you for the many ways you continue to help AVLF create safe & stable families and homes by inspiring the fight for equal justice.

In service,



Michael Lucas  
Deputy Director



Marty Ellin  
Executive Director

# Our Milestones

It's our 40th Anniversary! Check out these important milestones over the years to see how AVLF has grown.

We acquire the Saturday Lawyer Program – our flagship program that provides low income Atlantans with free legal assistance on Saturdays.

**1987** · In supporting a family law clinic, we hire Debbie Segal to recruit, train, and supervise Georgia State College of Law third-year law students in their representation of eligible clients in need of divorces.

## 1980

**1979** · As a result of the hard work of John Chandler, Robbie Dokson, then-State Legislators Charlie Carnes and Sidney Marcus, Atlanta Bar President Neil Batson, members of the Gate City Bar Association and numerous others, AVLF is created as an independent, non-profit corporation. We're funded through a legislated add-on to the filing fees for civil cases in the State Court of Fulton County.

**1986** · We purchase our first personal computer and letter quality printer!

**1999** · Debbie Segal resigns to become Pro Bono Counsel at Kilpatrick Stockton (December).

## 2000

With a grant from the Lawyers Foundation of Georgia, AVLF develops a Wills for Firefighters project through which members of the City of Atlanta Firefighters may receive a will or other advance directives at no cost. The program will expand to make this same offer to all Emergency Personnel in the coming years.

**2001** · King & Spalding, AVLF and Atlanta Legal Aid jointly launch the Eviction Defense Project, offering representation at the Fulton County Magistrate Court trial of those threatened with imminent eviction.

Marty Ellin begins his tenure as Executive Director. We have six employees.



**1989** · Debbie Segal becomes Executive Director (July), a position she holds for 11 years.

**1991** · We host our very first Winetasting fundraiser!



## 1990

Our Guardian ad Litem program begins. We design a custom computer program to help track the status of our cases.

**1997** · Our 20th anniversary celebration! In 1997, we receive an important grant from the U. S. Department of Justice to expand the representation and follow-up services provided to victims of domestic violence.

**1995** · We host a mini-conference with the Atlanta Bar Association for representatives of 30 groups working with survivors of intimate partner abuse. Our first Jury Trial Seminar is sponsored by the Advisory Board and ICLE, and we launch our very first website, courtesy of Emory Law School.

**2002** · The renewal of a grant from the U.S. Department of Justice allows us to expand our Domestic Violence program to consider broader service to survivors.

**2005** · To celebrate our 25 years at the head of the public interest community, our Board of Directors organizes a dinner at The Coca Cola Company honoring AVLF's Founders. A video of Charles Carnes, John Chandler, Robbie Dokson and Jim Martin sharing memories of the origins of AVLF is a highlight of the evening, as are the presentation of guest speaker Mike Luckovich and a letter of support from President Jimmy Carter.

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## Breaking **Ground**

In 2019, we launched and expanded new, innovative methods of bringing legal and social services to Atlantans in times of crisis. We're meeting our clients where they are – both geographically and emotionally – addressing not just their legal needs, but whatever else they need to thrive.

## 2010

**2009** • We launch the Safe Families Office (with the Partnership Against Domestic Violence), a courthouse-based program to support victims of intimate partner violence. The Office sees more than 2900 victims in the first year of operation. We also lead legal services providers to form a community response to the problems of tenants in foreclosure. Executive Director Marty Ellin receives the Atlanta Bar Association Family Law Section's Family First Award.

**2010** • Opportunity Knocks names AVLF a national 2010 "**Best Nonprofit to Work For.**"

The Chair of the American Bar Association Commission on Domestic Violence names the Safe Families Office as a national "Best Practices" model.

# Mobile & Place-Based **Advocacy**

## Standing with our Neighbors®

Communities can't thrive without housing that is safe, stable, and healthy. Our innovative, nationally recognized Standing with Our Neighbors® program places a lawyer and a community advocate directly in Atlanta schools to act as a first responder when trouble arises. When a kindergartner's asthma is flaring up because of the creeping mold on the walls, and the landlord refuses to step in, parents can turn to our advocates for help.

We focus our volunteer resources on improving living conditions and housing stability in low-income neighborhoods – all to improve resident health, reduce school enrollment turnover, and enhance student attendance and performance.

In 2019, we expanded to Brown Middle School and Carver STEAM Academy, meaning we now have attorneys and community advocates embedded in 9 Atlanta schools.

We also hired Lauren Boswell as our Community Advocate at Brown Middle School.

### *Timeline Continues on Next Page*

**2011** • Tamara Caldas becomes our Deputy Director.

We create the Junior Board, made up of 17 Atlanta law firm associates.

**2012** • To help cover the expense of the Guardian ad Litem Program, which has no other funding source, the law firm of Warner, Bates, McGough & McGinnis holds a Guardian ad Litem Benefit, asking family lawyers to make a financial contribution. Enough is raised to sustain the program. The firm has continued to hold the event every year since, and the GAL Program thrives!

## Standing with **Survivors**

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- Our Safe Families Office provides free legal and social services to survivors of intimate partner abuse. But what about survivors who can't make it to the courthouse? Our Standing with Survivors program is a mobile advocacy initiative that meets survivors where they are. The team is fully mobile, ready to meet our clients out in the community. We help with legal advocacy, emotional support, childcare arrangements, transportation, emergency financial assistance, and more. We're working to bring information and awareness to our community so that when the time comes, every survivor knows exactly how to get help—and has the resources to do so.

Cynthia Padilla Pearson, our Legal Education and Outreach Coordinator, leads the Standing with Survivors program. In 2019, Cynthia led the charge on:

- Bringing legal and educational resources to 43 survivors
- Hosting 41 outreach events in the community
- Conducting 35+ trainings on intimate partner abuse with the Atlanta Police Department and other community partners

**2015** • The Safe Families Office adds our first full-time social worker to the team, beginning a period of expansion and innovation that will see dramatic changes in the breadth of professionals serving survivors of intimate partner abuse and the depth of assistance we provide to families seeking safety and stability.

**2016** • We create the nationally-acclaimed Standing with Our Neighbors (SWON) program, placing AVLF staff attorneys and community advocates in public schools to fight displacement and substandard living conditions. By embedding expert staff and leveraging the volunteerism of Atlanta's largest law firms, SWON dramatically decreases student transiency in its first year.



# Happy 40<sup>th</sup> Birthday!



**2017** · We launch the first-of-its-kind Family Law Program, pairing survivors of intimate partner abuse with the city's top family law firms so that survivors ready to take the next step toward safety and stability do not have to do it alone.

**2019** · In 2019, we're celebrating our 40th Anniversary!

In honor of this milestone, an anonymous donor offered to match up to \$500,000 in donations, launching our SAFE Fund Campaign.

# Emergency Client **Assistance**



At AVL, we help survivors of intimate partner abuse stand up to their abusers and find safety. We defend low-income tenants against illegal evictions, and hold landlords accountable for repairs. But what happens when a tenant misses a rent payment because of an emergency, and the landlord has every legal right to evict them? Or when a survivor doesn't have the money to pay for emergency lodging to escape their abuser, or to buy diapers for their newborn?

Now we can help.

Thanks to generous funding from Partners for HOME – a nonprofit founded by the City of Atlanta to manage the Atlanta continuum of care for homeless services – and from the Spark Opportunity Donor Circle, we can provide direct financial help to Atlanta tenants in times of crisis. And thanks to funding from the State of Georgia's Criminal Justice Coordinating Council, we were able to provide the same assurances of safety and stability to survivors of intimate partner abuse.

Whether it's keeping the lights on, buying health and safety supplies, or preventing homelessness, our client assistance team works tirelessly with our community advocates and social workers to improve conditions and quality of life for Atlanta families in crisis.



In 2019, we provided

**\$386,523**

in emergency financial assistance to Atlanta families.



# **Impact** Reports

# Safe & Stable Homes Project

Whether it's contesting an illegal eviction or demanding repairs, our Safe & Stable Homes Project is dedicated to helping low-income renters and workers access the justice they deserve.

We have a few smaller programs under this umbrella, but the vast majority of our Safe & Stable Homes clients come to us for help with housing issues like illegal evictions and deplorable conditions. Our client services include legal consultations, referrals to wraparound services, and full representation from a volunteer attorney.

## Safe & Stable Homes Programs

- Saturday Lawyer Program
- Standing with Our Neighbors® Program
- Eviction Defense Program
- Bankruptcy Program
- Dollars for Judgments Program
- Housing Court Assistance Center



**248**

families who avoided displacement in Atlanta



**1,387**

clients served by the Safe & Stable Homes Project in 2019



Judges awarded over

**\$386,000**

in damages for our clients in landlord-tenant cases in 2019

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**89**

Atlanta families are now in better living conditions.





• • • • Did you **know?**

Four of our Safe & Stable Homes team members were named fellows of the Shriver Center's 2019 Racial Justice Institute — a leadership program that equips and coordinates anti-poverty advocates to address the role that racism plays in causing and perpetuating poverty.

The 2019 cohort included Safe & Stable Homes Co-Directors Cole Thaler and Ayanna Jones-Lightsy and Community Advocates Nekesha Whitaker and Shamyia Wyatt.

# Safe & Stable Families Project

Our Safe & Stable Families Project provides top-notch legal and social services to survivors of intimate partner abuse.

Most of our Safe & Stable Families clients come to us through the Safe Families Office: Georgia's only lawyer-staffed, Courthouse-based walk-in clinic for survivors of intimate partner abuse. We co-run the clinic, which is located in the Fulton County Courthouse, with Partnership Against Domestic Violence. At the SFO, we help survivors obtain Temporary Protective Orders and provide them with legal advocacy, safety planning, counseling, shelter access, resource referrals, and more.

But the journey doesn't end with a protective order. Our Safe & Stable Families Project supports survivors along the road to safety and independence, providing social work services, family law representation, and more.

## Safe & Stable Families Programs

- Safe Families Office
- Family Law Program
- Social Work Program
- Guardian ad Litem
- Standing with Survivors Program

The Safe Families Office (SFO) has been recognized as a national best practices model by the American Bar Association's Commission on Domestic & Sexual Violence.

The SFO had over

**3,500**

visitors this year  
(including repeat walk-ins)

**1,754**

ex parte protective orders were granted to survivors of intimate partner abuse in 2019, providing immediate legal protections from their abuser.

### Did you know?

The Safe & Stable Families staff attended or presented at

**37**

conferences this year!



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2020 will truly be a new season I'm entering and I wouldn't be here without your support and motivation. I never thought I would get here but we did. Thank you for everything. Your love and support I will never forget.

- Safe & Stable Families Client

# Giving Through **Service**

Whether it's sending a negligent landlord a demand letter or standing with a survivor of intimate partner abuse in court, our volunteers make all the difference.

## Volunteer Statistics

**17**

Volunteer trainings  
conducted in 2019

**213**

Total cases that went  
to litigation and were  
won in 2019



**770+**  
**volunteers**

offered their time and talents to the fight for  
equal justice in 2019

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It was an honor to serve this way...it was such a great opportunity for me to feel my heart and head engaged in the kind of way that is most fulfilling for me.

- AVLF Volunteer



“

AVLF let me gain a lot of legal experience, develop interviewing skills, and meet professionals from different practices. I am just SO GRATEFUL to y'all!

- AVLF Volunteer

# Celebrating **Service Award** Winners

- On November 6th, the Atlanta legal community came together to honor those in the profession who commit themselves to service.
- The Celebrating Service Luncheon provides a platform for local organizations to honor those who have made a tangible difference in our community through volunteerism.
- “Our honorees this year are true, holistic advocates for their clients,” says Lauren Washington, our Standing with Our Neighbors Staff Attorney who introduced the award winners at the luncheon this year. “Not only do they take on the legal work, but they empower our families and schools to use their own voice in the fight for equal justice.”



## Family Law Program Volunteer of the Year

### **Jill Byers**

The firm of Stern & Edlin has supported AVLF’s Family Law Program since its launch, so when we reached out this past year to place a pro bono divorce, we had no doubt the firm would graciously accept. Luckily for us, and for the client, Jill Byers responded, letting us know she’d be happy to represent this survivor of intimate partner abuse.

Throughout the divorce, Jill zealously advocated for the client, an often difficult balance that involves both fighting for the client’s needs but also respecting the client’s choices and decisions about the case. When tragedy struck shortly after the divorce was final, Jill went above the call to review the possible legal implications of the divorce, given the tragedy.

Jill’s efforts have not gone unnoticed. In addition to our unending gratitude and the gratitude of the client, the Judge took notice as well, recognizing Jill for her dedication to this case when he spoke at a recent AVLF event. Our Family Law Program depends on volunteers like Jill and the firm of Stern & Edlin. We are so pleased to honor Jill Byers as our Family Law Program Volunteer of the Year.

## Safe Families Office Volunteer of the Year

### **Christopher Green**

Ever since taking his first TPO case with AVLF's Safe and Stable Families Project, Chris has shown time and again that he stands with survivors. He repeatedly reaches out to request new cases and shows, both in and out of the Courtroom, how much he cares about the clients he represents. He passionately presents their cases with expertise, protects them from the stress of the courtroom, and clearly connects with them. He doesn't hesitate to reach out if he thinks that there's additional assistance that the client might need to gain or maintain stability, and he stands as an advocate for those who are often silenced. His clients have consistently told us how happy and grateful they have been to have Chris represent them in such a stressful, private matter. For these reasons, we are honored to recognize Christopher O. Green as our 2019 Safe Families Office Volunteer of the Year.



## Guardian ad Litem of the Year

### **Alice Limehouse**

Alice has been an integral part of AVLF's Guardian ad Litem program for years, initially volunteering regularly as a pro bono Guardian ad Litem in contested custody cases with low income families, and later becoming more integrated in the training and support portions of the program. A veteran family law litigator, she brings subject matter knowledge and expertise, as well as compassion and empathy. She showed herself to be a passionate, consistent, and effective Guardian in our cases, and enthusiastically volunteered to help plan AVLF's new and improved Guardian ad Litem training, including participating as a trainer. We very honestly could not operate our program without her support, expertise, and dedication, and we couldn't be more pleased to honor Alice Limehouse as our 2019 Guardian ad Litem of the Year.



## Safe & Stable Homes Volunteer of the Year

### **Morgan Harrison**

Families living in Atlanta's worst slums are vulnerable, not only to illness and lost property, but also to a pervasive sense of hopelessness: a belief that no one cares enough to fight for them. That's how Ms. P. felt – a single mother of five living in the notorious Forest Cove Apartments. In 2019, years of mold and structural decay came to a head when the ceiling of her apartment caved in, rendering the unit uninhabitable. The complex's owners responded with a shrug and silence. That's when Arnall Golden Gregory attorney Morgan Harrison took the case. After her demand that the landlord comply with Georgia law proved ineffective, Morgan quickly sought an injunction in Fulton County Superior Court. After a hearing, the Court granted the injunction, ordering the landlord to provide Ms. P. and her children with "an alternative safe, sanitary, and habitable dwelling place" at the landlord's expense, and to repair the apartment's structural deficiencies. Only after this unequivocal court order did the landlord take action: it is paying for Ms. P. and her children to live elsewhere while repairs and litigation are ongoing. Throughout the representation, Morgan has been dogged and relentless in her advocacy. Her work has shaken a neglectful landlord out of its complacency and pierced her client's hopelessness with action. To Ms. P. and her family, Morgan is a hero. To AVLF, Morgan Harrison is our Safe & Stable Homes Volunteer of the Year.

## Safe & Stable Homes Firm of the Year

### **Taylor English**

In 2019, Taylor English reached a new high in demonstrating its commitment to serving low-income Atlanta tenants. Under the leadership of Attorney Shawntel Hebert, Taylor English also held a wildly successful school supply drive for Hollis Innovation Academy students. From making sure students have pencils and notebooks to making sure that their homes are safe and healthy, Taylor English's holistic commitment to Atlanta's most vulnerable residents is truly exemplary. Taylor English is AVLF's Safe & Stable Homes Program's Firm of the Year.

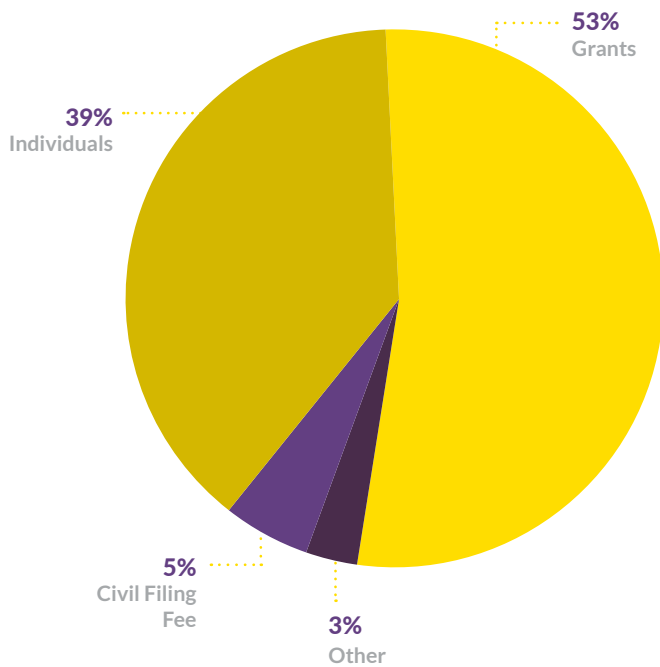
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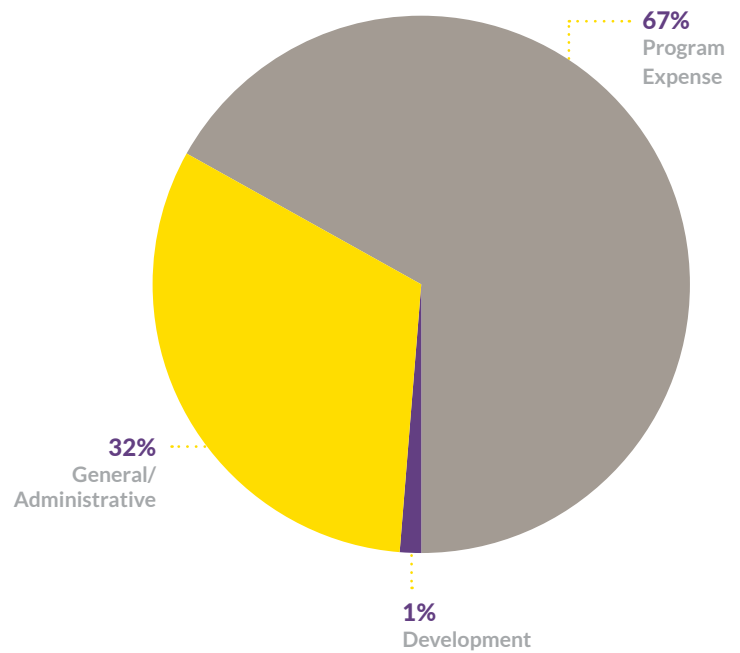
# Funding Our **Future**



# Financial Report



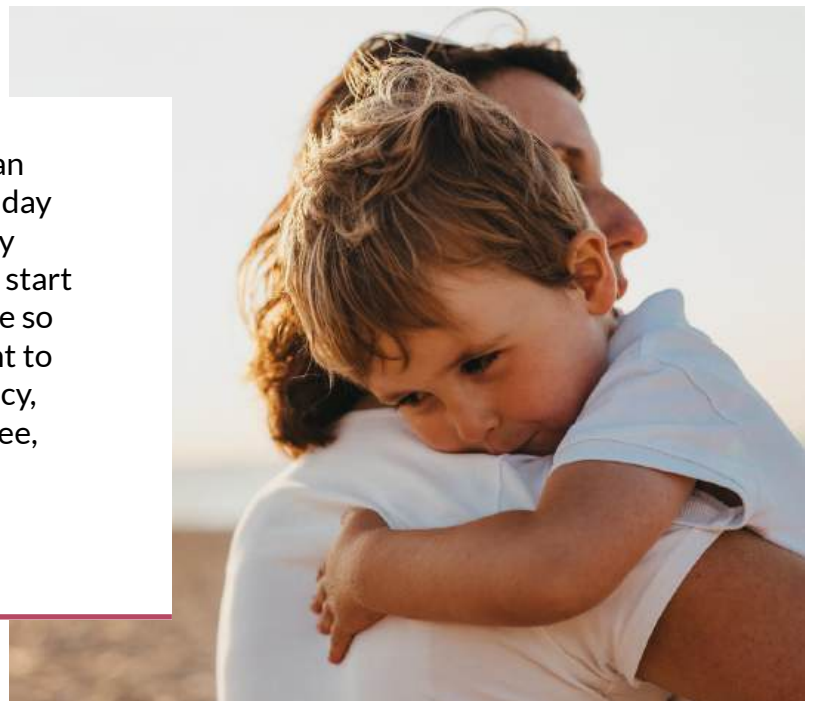
**WHERE OUR MONEY COMES FROM**



**HOW OUR MONEY IS SPENT**

## SAFE Fund

In 2019, an anonymous donor approached us with an extraordinary challenge: raise \$500,000 for a rainy day fund, and he would match it. The Atlanta community came together to donate all \$500,000 necessary to start our very first Opportunity Reserve Fund, and we are so humbled by this display of unstoppable commitment to justice. Your generosity ensures that in an emergency, AVLAF will have a safety net to continue providing free, top-notch legal services to Atlantans in crisis.





# Annual Campaign

Just a few years ago, we were a team of ten. By the end of 2019, we'd grown to a team of 40. This growth means more services, greater reach, and a higher quality of care – but it also requires more funding.

**In 2019, the Annual Campaign raised over \$1,070,000.** Donations of all sizes to our Annual Campaign provide the resources that keep our organization running smoothly through this period of growth. Because of your generosity, we've expanded our place-based mobile initiatives, recruited dozens of volunteers, and provided more free legal and social services to low-income Atlantans than ever before.



On November 7th, nearly 1,000 members of Atlanta's legal community came together for our 28th Annual Winetasting. We took over the Delta Lounge at the Mercedes Benz Stadium (our biggest venue yet!) for a record-breaking celebration.

This was the first year that our Winetasting functioned as thank-you event for donors to the Annual Campaign. The festivities featured select wines from United Distributors, delicious food from BOLD, and a celebration of our community's commitment to equal access to justice.

**THANK YOU TO OUR 2019 STEERING COMMITTEE CHAIRS, LIZANNE THOMAS AND DAVID BALSER!**

# Grants

We are so grateful to the following foundations and organizations whose grants have supported us throughout 2019.

- Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC)
- Annie E. Casey Foundation
- Atlanta Bar Foundation
- Balser Professional Advisors Council Giving Circle
- Bobbie Bailey Foundation, Inc.
- Community Foundation for Greater Atlanta
- Equal Justice Works
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- Partners for HOME
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- The Wilbur and Hilda Glenn Family Foundation
- Thorpe Family Foundation
- United Way of Greater Atlanta
- Victims of Crime Act Assistance (VOCA)
- WellCare
- Westside Future Fund





## Grant Spotlights

### **WESTSIDE FUTURE FUND**

In 2017, we launched a Standing with Our Neighbors team at the Michael R. Hollis Innovation Academy in Atlanta's historic Westside. With generous support from the Westside Future Fund, we've expanded our team to support Atlanta Public Schools' Washington Cluster!

Westside Future Fund fosters communication between all of their partners serving Atlanta's Westside, which helps us connect our clients to an incredible network of organizations providing crucial resources and support to the neighborhood.

### **BOBBIE BAILEY FOUNDATION**

Since 1993, the Bobbie Bailey Foundation has partnered with not-for-profits, schools, and hospitals to promote music and dance, to enable access to cutting edge health technology, and to empower at-risk women. The common theme among all partners is a steadfast commitment to improving access to education, the arts, and

healthcare, and a resolve and passion to improve the lives of others. In 2020, the Bailey Foundation provided much needed support for the Safe Families Office.

### **CFGA EXTRA WISH**

The Community Foundation for Greater Atlanta awards Extra Wishes every year to non-profit organizations. These wishes provide monetary contributions for tangible goods that contribute in a clear way to the success of organizations and the people served. Thanks to the Community Foundation's generosity, granted the funds to purchase prepaid cell phones and basic security cameras for survivors of intimate partner abuse.

It's well-documented that the most dangerous time for survivors is when they try to leave. With detailed safety planning, prepaid cell phones, and basic security cameras, we can provide an extra layer of protection for survivors in this dangerous time. We're so grateful for CFGA's support.

# 2019 Donor Roll (Cumulative)

\* indicates donors who contributed to the SAFE Fund campaign.

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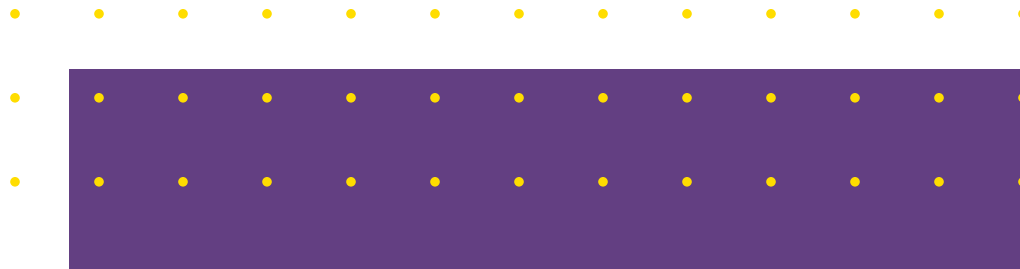
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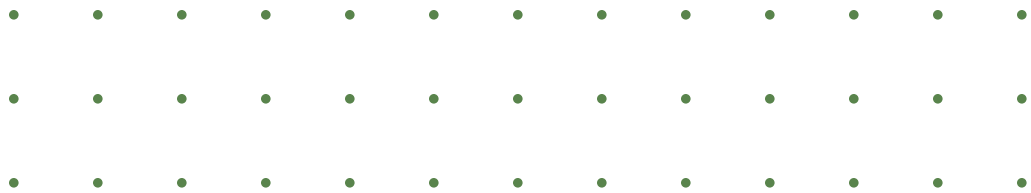
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