# NEW YEAR + NEW STAFF AT LAW

The official Legal Aid Works® E-Newsletter



# LEGAL AID WORKS®



LAW champions fairness by advocating for those with the least access to the civil justice system.

#### **CLIENT CORNER:**

Oftentimes, LAW clients are facing matters of life and death. A client we'll call "Amelia" experienced a history of domestic violence - so severe - that she eventually attempted to end her life, as a means of which to escape. Amelia suffered a traumatic brain injury, as a result, and was completing brain rehabilitation. Against all odds, she sought out help from a LAW staff attorney and became her daughters' sole custodian, all while working a full-time job. Eventually, Amelia was granted equity in her family home and was ultimately successful in refinancing the house in her name.

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**#DOJUSTICE** 

# **OUR TEAM IS GROWING!**

Legal Aid Works (LAW) is hiring!

- Family Law and Immigration Attorney in Fredericksburg
- Housing and Consumer Debt Attorney in Tappahannock
- Three Attorneys for Contested DV Divorce (Fredericksburg/Culpeper/Tappahannock)

Visit https://www.indeed.com/cmp/Legal-Aid-Works/jobs to learn more about these and other open job opportunities at your local legal aid.

#### **Housing Navigators:**

Join us in welcoming
Leonard Blake, Amber
Cofield and Rose
Martinez -- LAW's three
new Housing Navigators!
These grant-funded
positions provide direct
community outreach by
helping qualifying
families apply for the VA
Rent Relief program.

#### **Bilingual Paralegal**:

Evelin Villafuerte joined Legal Aid Works as a **Bilingual Paralegal** in the

Fredericksburg office in

September 2021. As a firstgeneration college graduate,

Evelin hopes to make her
family proud in everything she
does. Evelin is very excited to
work with **Legal Aid Works**,
learn more about family law
and be able to help her
community.

#### **Development team:**

In addition to the support from our new **PT** 

### **Grants-Manager**

position, the Development team at LAW now has a

#### **Fundraising Committee**

of volunteers! Want to get involved? Email kvollten@legalaidworks. org to learn more. If you need legal advice, please contact the local hotline program, Legal Services of Northern Virginia (LSNV) at (703) 778-6800 (choose Option #1) or (866) 534-5243 (toll free) or you can apply online at www.lsnv.org (click on "Intake Application")

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## WHERE TO GET HELP:

[Although our offices are still closed to the public, LAW is fully operational and serving clients across our 17 counties.]

#### Fredericksburg Office

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#### **Tappahannock Office**

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#### **Culpeper Office**

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