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STUDENT
VOLUNTEER
OPPORTUNITIES

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What Volunteer Opportunities are Available for Law Students?

Law students can volunteer three ways:

1. Be paired with a volunteer attorney on a case requiring full representation – from client interview to case resolution. Students will assist with client interviews, legal research, drafting legal documents and more. This option is for students who can commit to a set amount of hours each week. Students must attend the initial attorney/client meeting and the pre-clinic training.
2. Interview multiple clients at the Saturday *Brief Advice Clinics* in various neighborhoods. Mentor attorneys will assist with initial interviews. This option is for students who can commit to four hours on a given Saturday. Students must attend the Saturday *Brief Advice Clinic* and the pre-clinic training.

In most cases, the student will have the opportunity to follow the client throughout the attorney/client interview process and discussion of legal issues.
3. Work with The Legal Aid Society of Cleveland to develop additional pro bono clinics and community legal education sessions. Students will work directly with the Volunteer Lawyers Program (VLP) of Greater Cleveland to assist in developing specialty pro bono clinics (such as a landlord/tenant or elder law clinic) and community legal education sessions. Students must commit a set number of hours each week and work at the Volunteer Lawyers Program office in downtown Cleveland.

What do Law Students get in return?

1. Legal experience with clients.
2. Mentoring and education from practicing attorneys.
3. A chance to make a real difference in the lives of low-income residents of Greater Cleveland.
4. Recognition from your law school, local bar associations and The Legal Aid Society of Cleveland.
5. Legal skills training.