Denton County Lawyers Foundation Announces Grant Award

The non-profit Denton County Lawyers Foundation today announced that it has been awarded a grant in the amount of \$7,500 from the Texas Bar Foundation. The funds will be utilized to enhance the Trials and Transactions Academy training program. The program is designed to assist attorneys, both new and established, in honing skills necessary to deliver high quality legal services to their clients, with an emphasis on pro bono services to indigent clientele.

Through a partnership with RISE, a non-profit established to match indigent services with specific community needs, and the Denton County Bar Association, the Foundation is able to coordinate the training sessions to coincide with pro bono needs at organizations such as Denton County Friends of the Family and veterans assistance programs.

"RISE is thrilled to partner with the Denton County Lawyers Foundation to increase access to justice in Denton County and beyond, made possible by the generous grant from the Texas Bar Foundation," says Aubry Dameron, a local attorney and president of RISE.

Scott Bodkin, president of the Denton County Bar Association believes that Denton County is fortunate to have a local bar dedicated to professional development and better serving clients, and that this support from the Texas Bar Foundation will enable useful training to lawyers new and old in how to better protect the rights of the citizens of Denton County, particularly underserved populations.

Since its inception in 1965, the Texas Bar Foundation has awarded more than \$20 million in grants to law-related programs. Supported by members of the State Bar of Texas, the Texas Bar Foundation is the nation's largest charitably-funded bar foundation.

Vicki Isaacks, president of The Denton County Lawyers Foundation points out that the Foundation is a non-profit entity dedicated to aiding educational projects, direct legal services projects, and charitable projects aimed at meeting the law related needs of the public and the profession and is grateful for the assistance of the Texas Bar Foundation in meeting these goals.

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