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## **Notre Dame Law students provide critical legal aid through Appalachia Externship**

For over a decade, Notre Dame Law School students have dedicated their fall and spring breaks to immersing themselves in the rich culture of Appalachia while confronting the stark realities of extreme poverty and providing legal services to tho...

## **RFP Pro Bono Consultant for Pro Bono Innovation Fund Planning Grant**

AppalReD Legal Aid is soliciting proposals from consultants to work with our staff to engage in a comprehensive internal assessment of our Pro Bono Program. AppalReD Legal Aid is a recipient of a six-month Pro Bono Innovation Fund (PBIF) planning gra...

## **Many Conn Victims Will Benefit from SSA Policy Changes**

On Monday, July 29, 2024, AppalReD Legal Aid's Advocacy Director Evan Smith and Attorney Ned Pillersdorf announced positive policy changes from the Social Security Administration that will impact and provide relief to many, though not all, Conn...

## **Press Release: Relief for Many Conn Clients in Sight**

[Prestonsburg, KY - On Monday, July 29 at 2:00 P.M. at the Floyd County Courthouse AppalReD Legal Aid and Pillersdorf Law Offices will host a press conference and client meeting.AppalReD Legal Aid's Advocacy Director Evan Smith and Attorney Ned Piller...](#)

### **Legal Needs Assessment Results Are Here**

[We are excited to inform you that the findings from the community legal needs assessment are now available.You can access the full report here.We want to extend our deepest gratitude to everyone who participated. Your input was invaluable. Your insig...](#)

### **Strategic Planning Consultant Needed**

[Appalachian Research and Defense Fund of Kentucky, Inc. \(AppalReD Legal Aid\) seeks an experienced Strategic Planning Consultant to guide and execute a comprehensive strategic planning process. AppalReD Legal Aid has been providing high quality c...](#)

### **AppalReD Legal Aid's Community Family Law Clinics Receive Support from Kentucky Bar Foundation**

[Prestonsburg, KY - AppalReD Legal Aid received a \\$20,000 grant from the Kentucky Bar Foundation for their project "Expanding Access to Justice Through Pro Se Law Clinics." It was awarded at the Annual Fellows and Partners for Justice Society Luncheon...](#)

### **FEMA Tiptoes Away From EKY**

[In late April, Kentucky journalist Justin Hicks released two news pieces weeks in the making. Many eastern Kentucky flood survivors logged into the FEMA Portal to find their appeal closed with no decision. His investigation began with a simple questi...](#)

## **[Executive Director Update: Spring 2024](#)**

[Dear friends,I have just returned from our Hazard office where three “new” attorneys have joined us. We are so fortunate to have the talent and expertise of this team serving the Hazard region. Devon Skeens has returned to AppalReD Legal Aid to serve...](#)

## **[AppalReD and attorney recognized for efforts in Eric C. Conn social security fraud case](#)**

[PRESTONSBURG, Ky. \(WYMT\) - A legal services company and an attorney who operates out of Floyd County were recently recognized in Nashville, Tennessee for the roles they played in responding to the Eric C. Conn Social Security fraud crisis.AppalReD Le...](#)

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