

Grants Awarded in 2013 (July 2012 – June 2013)

AWARDEE	AWARDED FOR	AWARDED
ABC for Health	To co-sponsor the new "2013 Insurance Changes with Exchanges" educational workshops, webcast, and a corresponding consumer publication. Tentative workshop locations include Milwaukee, Polk County, and Winnebago County. With Wisconsin's changing insurance landscape, families need to know about applicable county-based programs, state Medicaid programs, and insurance exchange options. Families also need to know their legal rights and appeal options.	\$1,935
Eastern District of Wisconsin Bankruptcy Help Desk	To continue its Pro Se Help Desk program. Since its inception several years ago, this project has had the enthusiastic support of the four members of the Eastern District bankruptcy bench, who are active participants in the success of the help desk. The judges assist in providing CLE-type training to volunteers; publicize the program to local bars, websites, the clerk's office, and in courtrooms; refer parties who appear before them to the program; and provide a safe, secure location where volunteers can meet with parties on a regular basis. The need for this service increased dramatically after the passage of the Bankruptcy Abuse Prevention and Consumer Protection Act of 2005, which increased the procedural difficulty for unrepresented people who want to file bankruptcy. While the number of consumer bankruptcy filing has dropped somewhat, the percent of pro se filers has increased.	\$2,000
Centro Legal	To support its Family Law Consultation Program. The program educates potential litigants about the family court process, helps them understand their legal situation and options, and informs them about the resources available to them at the courthouse, Centro Legal, and other community agencies	\$2,000
Crawford County Teen Court	To use part of its funding to provide much-needed anger management assessments and six classes for at least four offenders through the Prairie du Chien Memorial Hospital Family Resource Center.	\$1,500.
Grant County Teen Court	To support the Grant County Teen court Program.	\$1,500
Milwaukee Justice Center (MJC)	To convert its client intake system from paper to electronic. This will greatly improve the efficiency and accuracy of data collected. The current intake system is a three-step process and this will help streamline the process.	\$1,998
State Bar of Wisconsin High School Mock Trial Tournament	Familiarizes students with the American legal system with students participating in a trial simulation as lawyers and witnesses.	\$10,000
State Bar of Wisconsin Our Courts Program	A nonpartisan informational programs for adult audiences throughout Wisconsin. Specially trained legal professionals make presentations free of charge to community groups.	\$5,067

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