

YOUR GENEROSITY AT WORK July 1, 2013— June 30, 2014

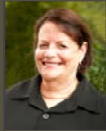
CONGOLESE HUMAN RIGHTS ADVOCATE AND FAMILY REUNITED IN SAFETY IN U.S.

CLSACC HONORS



Mojdeh Rohani, CLSACC's Associate Clinical Director, received the Hubie Jones Urban Service Award from Boston University School of Social Work (BUSSW) on Sept. 20th. In

addition to her outstanding work for clients at CLSACC, Mojdeh is the Co-Director of BU's BRIDGE program (Building Refugee and Immigrant Degrees for Graduate Education). Mojdeh is well known in the community for her culturally sensitive and empowering work with immigrants and refugees, many of whom have experienced unspeakable torture, persecution, and abuse before fleeing to the U.S.



CLSACC's Legal Director, Ellen Wilbur, has been named a Top Woman of Law by Massachusetts Lawyers Weekly.

She will be honored at an event on October 23rd. Ellen has been at CLSACC since 2002 where she has assisted over 1,000 survivors of domestic violence in complicated family law cases and has provided outstanding leadership at CLSACC and in the community.



The Center is proud to be a host agency for an Access to Justice Fellow for the second year. Jeff Wolf, former CLSACC Legal Director,

will serve as an Access to Justice Fellow for 2014—2015 and will focus on family law and domestic violence initiatives in the community. John Hand recently completed his year as a 2013—2014 Fellow, concentrating on representation of immigrants seeking political asylum. John will continue on as a volunteer at CLSACC.

Michel Kasole was a businessman in Kinshasa in the Democratic Republic of the Congo where he lived with his wife and children and volunteered for a human rights organization. Originally from Eastern Congo, a war zone at the time, he was able to enter the area frequently to visit his extended family and gather information there. In the summer of 2009, information that he provided was included in a report used to brief Secretary of State Hillary Clinton during her visit. Soon after, Michel was arrested and held by security forces.

He was tortured daily, released briefly, then arrested again and hospitalized due to the injuries he sustained. With the help of human rights workers, he was able to escape from the hospital and go into hiding as they planned his flight from the country. He fled to the U.S. and immediately applied for political asylum. A former client referred him to CLSACC where he was successfully represented by longtime immigration attorney Valerie Fisk and volunteer attorney John Hand. Once Michel's application for asylum was approved, CLSACC prepared petitions for his wife and children who joined him in the U.S. earlier this year.

CLSACC DEVELOPS
TECHNO THREAT
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE
SURVIVOR BROCHURES



ADDRESSING SAFETY
CONCERNS WHEN
USING SMARTPHONES
AND COMPUTERS

A MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND PRESIDENT

Dear Friends,

Please know that your kindness and generosity in supporting CLSACC's mission has been critical to our clients' well-being and successes, as well as to our growth during this past year. Thank you!

Your generosity allowed us to expand our office space for staff and volunteers to work on-site with clients. It has also helped us to address the overwhelming need for legal services among immigrant children and youth. Thanks to your support, survivors of domestic violence can rest in safety and security, low-income families can avoid homelessness, immigrants and refugees can obtain legal status, and vulnerable people have access to counseling services.



With the recent focus in the news about domestic violence, CLSACC continues its multifaceted efforts to assist survivors of domestic violence to obtain safety. Many of our counseling clients struggle with the ongoing impact that family violence and trauma have on their lives. The model of CLSACC's counseling program seeks to build upon and maximize client strengths to improve how they function and cope. CLSACC's family law attorney and a cadre of dedicated volunteers represent survivors in complicated and emotionally difficult family law cases that aim to bring safety and stability to the lives of victims and their children. And our immigration and housing units also provide assistance when needed. Like so many of CLSACC's clients, domestic violence survivors face enormous challenges and we strive to make their path forward a little better.

Sincere appreciation to our many funders, our extraordinary volunteers and Board members, and our remarkable staff. On behalf of our many clients and their families, thank you for supporting access to justice and mental health services for all.

Sincerely,

Barbara Mitchell, Executive Director

Alice LoCicero, President, CLSACC Board of Directors

P.S. You will notice that this year's report is smaller than in past years. We are using this format in alternate years to reduce expenses – please look forward to a more expansive report next year.

VOLUNTEER CLINICIAN JORDAN BROOKE SHAUGHNESSY



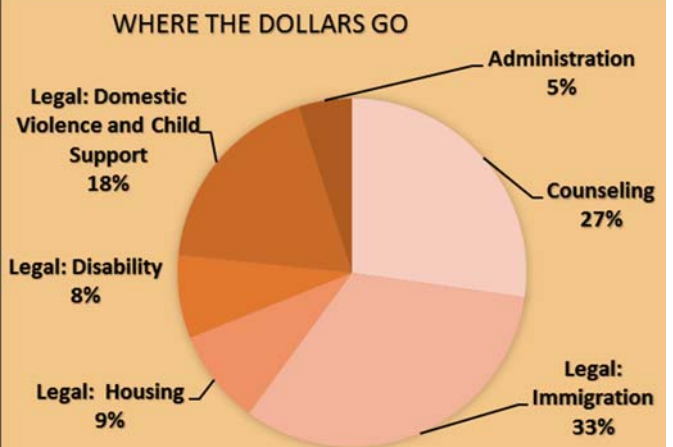
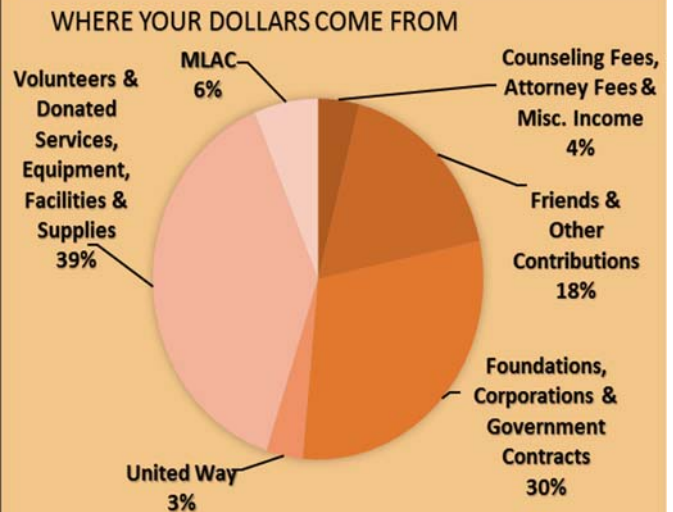
“Two of my clients have endured significant trauma ... as clinicians we bear witness to their stories, their pain and the injustice they've faced.”

“CLSACC has really exceeded my expectations,” says volunteer clinician Jordan Shaughnessy. “It has been an extraordinary experience on so many different levels.” Jordan began her volunteer work at CLSACC after many years as a therapist and clinical social worker in hospitals and health centers throughout New England. Volunteering at CLSACC gives her the opportunity to balance her many interests, including serving as a foster parent and as a Board member at an area nonprofit. She was drawn to CLSACC's service model, providing a setting where she could develop long term relationships with her clients. “Because CLSACC operates outside of the traditional managed care setting, clients without insurance have access to desperately needed treatment. I've witnessed one such client who developed enough trust and courage to face difficult events from her past in order to move forward and sustain a more fulfilling life.”

Jordan will be the first Program Director of CLSACC's newly created “ADVANCE” project, a micro-lending effort that was the brainchild of former counseling intern, Twyla Wolfe, and will be piloted later this fall. The project will assist asylum clients pay for necessities, such as transportation or personal care items, to help them address barriers that impede their healing and recovery process. The idea for the project came from “listening to our clients and their needs,” Jordan says.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT: JULY 1, 2013 — JUNE 30, 2014

REVENUES	2014	2013
Massachusetts Legal Assistance Corporation	103,457	98,418
United Way of Massachusetts Bay	58,889	59,443
Foundations and Corporations	252,570	356,724
Government Grants and Sub-Contracts	240,376	240,671
Friends of CLSACC, Board of Directors & Other Contributions	289,822	229,345
Counseling Client Fees	22,237	29,822
Attorney Fees	32,205	33,613
Events	11,750	11,250
Interest and Miscellaneous Income	282	264
TOTAL REVENUES BEFORE DONATED SERVICES, FACILITIES & SUPPLIES	1,011,588	1,059,550
Donated Services, Facilities, Equipment & Supplies	638,049	636,085
TOTAL REVENUES	1,649,637	1,695,635
EXPENSES		
Salaries	698,485	709,888
Fringe Benefits	171,320	195,204
Professional and Consulting Services	43,900	44,987
TOTAL PERSONNEL BEFORE VOLUNTEER SERVICES	913,795	950,079
Volunteer Lawyers, Counselors, Translators & Administrative Help	588,379	586,210
TOTAL PERSONNEL	1,502,174	1,536,289
Contract Services	10,550	10,225
Office and Related Expenses	47,225	40,708
Library, Training and Travel	16,956	19,644
Event Expenses	2,048	1,652
Other Expenses	14,837	13,114
TOTAL NON-PERSONNEL BEFORE OTHER DONATED SERVICES, FACILITIES & SUPPLIES	91,616	85,343
Other Donated Services, Facilities & Supplies	49,670	49,875
TOTAL EXPENSES	1,643,460	1,671,507
OPERATING SURPLUS	6,177	24,128



OVER 100 volunteer attorneys, clinicians, paralegals, law students and translators donated client services valued at **\$588,379** allowing CLSACC to serve over **1,300 families and individuals.**

These figures are derived from CLSACC's unaudited financial statements.



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Thanks to our Community Partners, Volunteers, Funders, and Donors for another stellar year of services and support for vulnerable members of our community.

UPDATE ▶

CLSACC WINS LEGAL VICTORIES FOR MOTHERS AND CHILDREN HELD AT NEW MEXICO DETENTION CENTER



CLSACC immigration attorney Lisa Laurel Weinberg and paralegal Karen Bobadilla travelled to the Artesia Detention Center in New Mexico on Labor Day to spend a week providing pro bono representation to refugee children and mothers detained there. Lisa's advocacy for one of their first clients resulted in an early success—the release on parole of a mother whose young child had pneumonia that seriously worsened while at the detention center—the first case of a detainee being released on parole from the center. They also represented a Honduran mother, who was the victim of severe domestic violence, and her children. The judge granted their asylum case after hearing the mother's testimony that she was beaten, threatened, and raped at gunpoint and an expert's testimony on the dangers facing women in Honduras.

Read more about their work at the 9/26/2014 Huffington Post, *Honduran Mom Fleeing 'Horrific Acts of Harm' Wins U.S. Asylum With Daughters*, http://www.huffingtonpost.com/2014/09/25/domestic-violence-asylum_n_5885266.html

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