LEGAL AID OF THE BLUEGRASS RECEIVES TECHNOLOGY GRANT FROM THE LEGAL SERVICES CORPORATION

WASHINGTON – The Legal Services Corporation (LSC) has announced that Legal Aid of the Bluegrass (LABG) will receive a $176,966 Technology Initiative Grant (TIG) to reinvigorate and improve the Kentucky statewide legal information website, kyjustice.org. Established in 2000, LSC’s TIG program supports legal aid organizations in developing and replicating technologies that improve efficiency and provide greater access to high-quality legal assistance.

“LSC’s Technology Initiative Grants increase access to justice for low-income people with critical civil legal needs,” said LSC President Jim Sandman. “These technology projects improve the delivery of legal services and information to the millions of Americans who would otherwise have to navigate the legal system alone.”

The Kentucky statewide website provides information to self-represented litigants as they navigate Kentucky’s civil legal system. 430,143 unique visitors accessed kyjustice.org last year. Through this grant, LABG in partnership with the Kentucky Access to Justice Commission and Kentucky’s three other civil legal aid programs will complete an assessment of the current website, re-design and update content, and develop and implement plans for website maintenance once TIG funding ends. The anticipated date for completion of the revamped Kentucky statewide legal information website is October 2021. LABG is one of 30 recipients of 2019 Technology Initiative Grant funding totaling more than $4 million.

Legal Services Corporation (LSC) is an independent nonprofit established by Congress in 1974 to provide financial support for civil legal aid to low-income Americans. The Corporation currently provides funding to 132 independent nonprofit legal aid programs in every state, the District of Columbia, and U.S. territories.

Legal Aid of the Bluegrass works in 33 Kentucky counties to resolve the most important problems of low income and other vulnerable people by providing high quality legal assistance through direct representation, education, advice, advocacy and coordination with other community resources. Visit www.lablaw.org for more information.

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