## **Hellenic Legal Assistance Services**

https://hel-las.squarespace.com/

Program Location:ChicagoAmount Requested:\$10,000Program Budget:\$10,000

**Program Director:** Eleni Katsoulis **Contact Person:** Eleni Katsoulis

**Organization:** Hellenic Legal Assistance Services. Hel.LAS is governed by its Board of Directors, which works closely with its staff and volunteers. This Board is committed to the cause of providing the Greek Community of Chicago with legal assistance in a linguistically and culturally sensitive environment. Hel.LAS is promoted and served by the HBA, and promoted and housed at the Hellenic Foundation offices – 6251 W Touhy, Chicago, IL 60646.

Hel.LAS is a pro bono clinic, which was created to address the needs of low-income members of the Greek community of Chicago. This clinic meets on a monthly basis to provide Greek Americans in the Chicago-land area with access to legal information, referrals and potential representation in a linguistically and culturally sensitive environment. The goal is to promote Hel.LAS to the Greek American community to ensure that everyone in need has legal representation, while growing its volunteer base.

## **Program:** The grant award will fund the following:

- 1. Compensation for an Administrative Coordinator, who perform the following duties: Cultivates Hel.LAS' volunteer pool; Assign potential client to Hel.LAS volunteer attorneys; Act as a liaison to CVLS; Maintain all documentation required by CVLS.
- 2. Provide volunteer attorney training and resources related to immigration law, which will enhance clientele services.
- 3. Maintain the Hel.LAS website that provides space for potential volunteer attorneys to register with the Hel.LAS pro bono legal clinic program, and provide volunteers with resources and documents necessary for their cases.

## **Grant Committee Determination:**

No presentation required. Approved for Board consideration during scheduled Special Board Meeting – Conference Call.

Special Board of Directors' Meeting, 10/11/2017, Grant Award Determination:

**Grant Award: \$10,000**