



## **Pro Bono Opportunities for Law Students**

### **Advocates for Basic Legal Equality (ABLE) & Legal Aid of Western Ohio (LAWO)**

Contact Lucinda Weller at [lweller@lawolaw.org](mailto:lweller@lawolaw.org) for more information.

Legal Aid of Western Ohio, Inc. (LAWO) and Advocates for Basic Legal Equality, Inc. (ABLE) are non-profit regional law firms that provide high quality legal assistance in civil matters to help eligible low-income individuals and groups in western Ohio achieve self-reliance, and equal justice and economic opportunity.

Students who volunteer at Advocates for Basic Legal Equality, Inc. (ABLE) and Legal Aid of Western Ohio, Inc. (LAWO) receive quality legal work experience, including legal research and writing, client contact/interviewing, outreach, and court/hearing appearances for those with Intern Certificates.

### **Ao: Advocating Opportunity**

Contact Megan Mattimoe at [info@advocatingopportunity.com](mailto:info@advocatingopportunity.com)

The goal of Ao is to provide a trained legal advocate for every human trafficking victim. Ao strives to end human trafficking through education and advocacy both in public policy and directly on victims' behalf. Students will have the opportunity to assist with a variety of projects from working with community partners to legal research.

### **City of Toledo Department of Law**

Contact John Bibish [john.bibishiv@toledo.oh.gov](mailto:john.bibishiv@toledo.oh.gov) for more information.

The City of Toledo Department of Law has partnered with The University of Toledo College of Law to provide students an opportunity to earn pro bono service hours. Students interested in earning hours toward the Public Service Commendation award can now earn those hours while volunteering with the City of Toledo Law Department. Volunteers must have completed the first section of Lawyering Skills.

### **City of Toledo Prosecutor's Office**

Contact Jimmie Jones at [Jimmie.Jones@toledo.oh.gov](mailto:Jimmie.Jones@toledo.oh.gov)

The City of Toledo Prosecutor's Office offers many opportunities for students to earn pro bono service hours while working at the Toledo Municipal Court. If you are specifically interested in prosecution or criminal law, or just want courtroom experience, then this is a great opportunity.

### **Toledo City Council**

Contact Julie Gibbons at [Julie.Gibbons@toledo.oh.gov](mailto:Julie.Gibbons@toledo.oh.gov)

The Toledo City Council offers chances for students to earn pro bono service hours while learning about city governance and legislation. Students would work closely with council members and aides who are attorneys.

### **Toledo Legal Aid Society (Public Defender's Office)**

Contact Jonathan Brown at [jwb8314@yahoo.com](mailto:jwb8314@yahoo.com)

The Toledo Legal Aid Society offers an excellent opportunity for students to gain experience in criminal defense. Students work closely with the Public Defenders in their representation of indigent clients in cases at the Toledo Municipal Court.