

Tennessee Faith and Justice Alliance

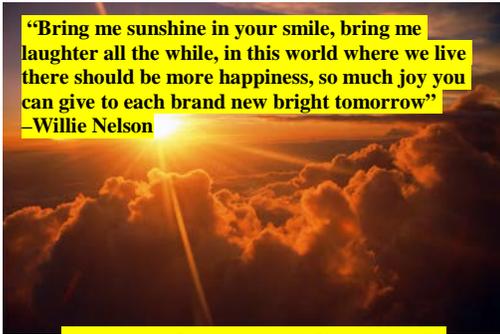
TFJA



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JUNE 2017 NEWSLETTER

"Bring me sunshine in your smile, bring me laughter all the while, in this world where we live there should be more happiness, so much joy you can give to each brand new bright tomorrow"
-Willie Nelson



Name that Day Contest!!

In October, Tennessee Faith and Justice Alliance will be celebrating pro bono month with special programming for its partner houses of worship, and **we need your help coming up with a catchy name for a special pro-bono holy day.** The day will be celebrated statewide on the weekends before or after **Pro Bono Week in mid-October**, and we are requesting each of our partner houses of worship participate as is appropriate for their faith body by preparing special messages or sermons on access to justice, taking collections for non-profits or agencies that provide free legal services or other justice-related help, hosting field days, luncheons, or clinics, or any other activity centered around raising awareness for faith and justice issues. The sky is the limit! **Before we can start outside advertising, we need to come up with a catchy name, hashtag, catchphrase, etc. to encapsulate the faith and justice holy day concept. Send us your best submissions, and we'll credit you with saving the day!!**

TFJA on the move! The Virginia State Bar is looking to start its own Virginia Faith and Justice Alliance through its Supreme Court and has asked to use Tennessee's program as support. We're looking forward to helping our neighbor state and are excited about future partnership opportunities. **We're ready for Bristol!!**

We're all smiles because the SUMMER SUN is out and the Tennessee Faith and Justice Alliance is shining!!



TFJA Partnership Spotlights

Take One & TN Fosters: TFJA continues to develop partnership project opportunities with the **Take One Initiative** and **TN Fosters**, which are faith-based matching programs similar to TFJA. The Take One Initiative, sponsored through **TDOC rehabilitation** and the **Tennessee Reentry Collaborative**, pairs faith-based and non-profit organizations with a returning offender exiting prison, providing support and guidance for one year. Similarly, **TN Fosters** pairs faith-based communities and non-profits with children in TN's foster care system to help children find supportive homes and communities. *If you or your faith community would like to know more about Take One or TN Fosters, let us know.*

LAET & Christian Legal Society: TFJA recently partnered with **Legal Aid of East Tennessee** and the **Christian Legal Society** in Chattanooga for a successful lunch and learn at **White Oak United Methodist Church** providing instruction on wills, estates, end of life planning, and powers of attorney. Lunch was provided by **Lane Funeral Home**. Attorney volunteers were on site to answer questions and execute POA documents following the presentation. **A White Oak legal clinic will be held on July 12th, don't miss out!** *Additional partnership opportunities including faith leader trainings are being developed. Let us know if you can help!*



Summer Volunteers: already bored with the lazy days of summer? Want simple volunteer tasks you can do while sitting by the pool or beach? E-mail us and we can find you a TFJA project for the summer!



Want to help the Tennessee Faith and Justice Alliance shine even brighter? Email kimi.dement@tncourts.gov

"There was never a night or problem that could defeat sunrise or hope." -Bernard Williams



Immigration Taskforce

The TFJA created an Immigration Taskforce to connect, collaborate, and consolidate between faith leaders, TFJA attorneys, and immigration experts statewide. There are many ways to be involved, please e-mail me about our upcoming call if you are interested in learning more.

On our inaugural call, we discussed supporting and connecting existing pro bono efforts statewide and identifying where TFJA can be an additional resource to houses of worship and communities with immigration needs. **TIRRC** asked for TFJA attorney volunteers to help staff its **Family Defense Worship**s, which assist families with **Power of Attorneys for children and guidance on how to create a family plan.** Upcoming opportunities are:

Morristown, Thursday June 29, 5:30pm

Chattanooga, Tuesday July 18, 5:30pm

Crossville, Thursday July 20, 5:30pm

Memphis, Tuesday July 25, 5:30pm

There is an additional Naturalization Workshop in Nashville on Saturday, July 22.

Call TIRRC at 615-873-0326 for more info.



Have ideas for other projects or taskforces where you'd like to see TFJA involvement? Let us know!!

"The Sun will rise and set regardless. What we choose to do with the light while it's here is up to us."

Some of our houses of worship have requested pro bono support updating their bylaws and church policies. If this is your practice area and you would like to help review and revise church documents, e-mail kimi.dement@tncourts.gov to be partnered with a house of worship in need

TFJA/Clinics Spotlight

White Oak Legal Clinic

Tuesday, July 13 6:30pm

White Oak United Methodist Church

2232 Lyndon Avenue

Chattanooga, TN 37415

Lipscomb Legal Clinic

Tuesday, 6/20 6pm

St. James Missionary Baptist,

Nashville, TN Call 615-966-2503

Cross Point Clinic

Tuesday, 6/11, 6pm-8pm

Cross Point Dream Center; 4007

Delaware Ave; Nashville, TN

Salvation Army Clinic

Every other Wednesday 10am-12pm

Salvation Army Command Central

631 Dickerson Pike

Nashville, TN

Mending Hearts Clinic

Limited Court Fee Forgiveness;

Contact MollieGass@gmail.com

Compassionate Counsel

Hendersonville & Brentwood

Call (615) 824-3772 or (615) 370-

3010 for appt.

Loaves and Fishes

Wednesday, 6/21 11am

215 Foster St

Clarksville, TN, 37043

Good Samaritan Ministries

July 8, 9am-11am

Good Samaritan Ministries, 100 N

Roan St, Johnson City, TN

TIRRC Family Defense

Workshops

Morristown: 6/9 5:30pm

Chattanooga: 7/18 5:30p

Crossville: 7/20 5:30pm

Memphis: 7/25 5:30pm

TIRRC Naturalization Workshop

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West TN Legal Clinics

Attorney of the Day

Thursdays at 1:30 pm

6/8, 6/15, 6/22, 6/29, 7/6

Shelby Cnty Courthouse

140 Adams Ave, Rm. 134

Memphis, TN 38103

Saturday Legal Clinic

Sat. 6/10; 10 am – 12 pm

Veterans Legal Clinic

Sat. 6/10; 10 am – 1 pm

Ben Hooks Publ. Library

3030 Poplar Ave.

Memphis, TN 38111

Veterans Clinic

Tuesday, 6/27; 12 - 2 pm

Memphis Vet Center

1407 Union Avenue

WTLS RIFA Clinic

Tuesday, 6/27 9:30am

133 Airways Blvd

Jackson, TN 38301

Memphis, TN 38104

Homeless Experience Legal Protection (HELP) Clinic

Tues, 6/13, 1pm-3pm

146 Jefferson Ave, Memphis

Hickman County Clinic

Hickman Co. Senior Center

107 Armory Street #1

Centerville 37033

Call 931-729-3091 for details

Mid TN Legal Clinics

Rutherford & Cannon Co. Bar Association Clinic at Greenhouse Ministries

Thursdays at 3:30 pm

6/8, 6/15, 6/22, 6/29, 7/6

309 South Spring St., Murfreesboro

37103

Rutherford Cnty Clinic

Saturday, 6/17, 9-11am

Higher Ground Worship Center,

2424 Yearwood Ave, Murfreesboro

Nashville 2nd Tues.

Tuesday, 6/13, 4:30pm

Legal Aid Society

300 Deaderick Street

Nashville, TN, 37201

McHugh Clinic

Saturday, 6/24, 8:30am

Legal Aid Society

300 Deaderick Street

Nashville, TN, 37201

Oak Ridge Clinic

Tuesday, 6/20, 4:30pm

575 Oak Ridge Turnpike, Suite 201,

Oak Ridge, TN

MNPS Clinic/EI Office

Saturday, 6/17, 8:30am

615 Fessey Park Road

Nashville, TN, 37204

Mercy Clinic/St. Andrew

Lutheran

Thursday, 7/6, 4:30pm

908 Murfreesboro Road

Franklin, TN, 37064

Operation Stand Down

Wednesday, June 21

Call 615-248-1981 for details and to schedule

Homeless Experience Legal

Protection (HELP) Clinic

Weds, 6/28, 9-11:30am

Room at the Inn, 705 Drexel St,

Nashville, TN

Warren County Clinic

Tuesday, 6/13

9:30 am – 10:30 am

Warren Co. Courthouse

111 South Court Square

McMinnville 37110

East TN Legal Clinics

Blount County Sat. Bar

Saturday, 6/17, 9am-12pm, 307

Ellis Street (Compton Place)

Maryville, TN, 37801

Call 865-981-1818 to schedule

Pro Se Divorce Clinic

McMinn County: 6/9

Monroe County: 6/16

Ray County: 6/27

Each clinic located at the courthouse; call 423-756-4013 for more info

KBA YLD Veterans' Legal Advice Clinic

Wednesday, 6/14, 12pm

Knox County Public Defenders'

Community Law Office, 1101

Liberty Street, Knoxville, TN

Hamilton Juvenile Ct Child Support Clinic

Thursday, 7/13, 1-3 pm

1600 E. 3rd Street

Chattanooga 37404

Bradley County Clinic

Tuesday, 6/13, 2pm-5pm

Call (423) 303-2266

Chattanooga CARES

Tuesday, 6/13, 3-5 pm

1000 E 3rd Street

Chattanooga 37403

Kingsport Thurs. Bar

Thursday, 6/15

4:30 pm – 6:30 pm

243 East Charlemont Ave,

Kingsport, 37660

Maryville Clinic

Tuesday 6/20

Call 865-981-1818 for more information



“The sun is a daily reminder that we too can rise again from darkness, that we too can shine our own light.” –S. Ajna

**** Have updated clinic information?**

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