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Lilly Endowment Inc. Awards \$600,000 Immigrant Programs and Services Grant to Neighborhood Christian Legal Clinic

INDIANAPOLIS - Neighborhood Christian Legal Clinic (“The Clinic”) was awarded a \$600,000 grant from Lilly Endowment Inc. for the Immigrant & Survivor Justice Program. The grant’s purpose is “to help human services organizations working in Indianapolis strengthen their ability to serve immigrants from low-income households as they acclimate to life in central Indiana and make progress toward self-sufficiency.”

The Clinic’s Immigrant & Survivor Justice Program provides access to justice for immigrants, particularly survivors of crime or persecution, with various immigration law needs. In addition to various community partner collaborations, the program currently provides primarily humanitarian immigration legal services in over 750 matters.

“Support from Lilly Endowment will enable us to serve more of our immigrant neighbors in need of free legal services and resources,” said Erin Hall, the Executive Director at Neighborhood Christian Legal Clinic, “giving them a sense of security that they may not have had before now.”

Lilly Endowment approved 19 grants, ranging from \$250,000 to \$1 million, to help immigrant-serving organizations adapt their programs for Indianapolis’ growing immigrant population.

The Clinic is excited about the opportunities that this grant brings and is committed to maximizing its impact. Moving forward, the Immigrant & Survivor Justice Program looks forward to assisting more clients, expanding its legal services along with its case capacity, and growing its support of the immigrant community in Indianapolis.

About Neighborhood Christian Legal Clinic

The Clinic is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization based in Indianapolis whose mission is “to advance justice through legal representation and education for our disadvantaged neighbors as a way to demonstrate Christ’s love.” It upholds the belief that equal access to justice should be available to all individuals, irrespective of their financial resources. The Clinic’s legal assistance primarily caters to immigrants, refugees, survivors of domestic violence and sexual assault, justice-involved individuals, taxpayers in conflict with the IRS, and families confronting eviction or housing-related challenges. For more information, please visit www.nclegalclinic.org.

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