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Pro Bono Partnership Receives Grant From Investors Foundation to Support Educational Programming

White Plains, NY, June 14, 2018—Pro Bono Partnership (the Partnership) is pleased to announce it was awarded a \$2,500 grant from Investors Foundation. These funds will support the Partnership’s mission to strengthen and empower nonprofits and communities by providing free legal services to nonprofit organizations in New Jersey, Long Island, and the New York metropolitan region.

Investors Foundation’s generous grant will directly support the Partnership’s educational initiatives like webinars, workshops, and web-based publications that are designed to help nonprofit leadership, staff, and board members proactively identify pertinent legal issues and adopt best practices. By providing accessible and affordable legal resources, the Partnership helps nonprofits comply with applicable laws, and avoid risk.



“We’re so pleased to have Investors Foundation’s support for the important training the Partnership provides to nonprofits,” said Pro Bono Partnership Executive Director, Nancy Eberhardt. “Every nonprofit benefits from expert legal advice, and with the financial backing of partners like Investors Foundation, we can continue to provide those services free of charge to charities so they can focus their resources on building capacity and enhancing programming for their constituents,” Eberhardt continued.

Educational topics range from forming a nonprofit and determining a board’s leadership role, to navigating employment issues and complying with fundraising or advocacy laws. The Partnership is committed to making these resources as accessible as possible, so many are available on the Partnership’s website (<https://www.probonopartner.org/learning-center/>), through remote learning or on-demand webinars, or in-person training workshops.

Each year demand for the Partnership’s services increases, and last year was the busiest in the Partnership’s 20-year history. In 2017, Pro Bono Partnership assisted 800 nonprofits in the tristate area, providing 22,000 hours of free legal services valued at more than \$9.5 million to the nonprofit sector. As one nonprofit executive recently said of Pro Bono Partnership, “The financial support that we receive is almost completely dedicated to our programs and services, so getting pro bono legal services is such a godsend!”

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Photo Caption

Pro Bono Partnership is honored to receive a grant from Investors Foundation. Pictured (l-r) are: John Savarese and Amanda Seppi, Investors Bank Assistant Vice Presidents and Branch Managers; Stephanie Speranza, Pro Bono Partnership Program Assistant; Michael Billia, Investors Bank Senior Vice President, District Manager; Melissa Greenberger, Pro Bono Partnership Staff Attorney; Maurice Segall, Pro Bono Partnership New York Program Director.

More About Pro Bono Partnership

For 20 years, Pro Bono Partnership (probonopartner.org) has provided free transactional legal services to nonprofits in Connecticut, New Jersey, and New York. The Partnership annually recruits and mobilizes hundreds of attorneys from major corporations and law firms to donate their time and talent on behalf of its nonprofit clients. Access to expert, free legal counsel enables those nonprofit clients to more efficiently feed the hungry, house the homeless, promote the arts, protect the environment, and provide essential programs to our communities.

About Investors Bank

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About the Investors Foundation

Investors Bank created the Investors Foundation in 2005 to support the communities Investors Bank serves. Investors Foundation supports initiatives in the arts, youth development, health and human services, education and affordable housing. Investors Foundation works to improve the lives of its customers and neighbors. For more information, please visit <https://www.myinvestorsbank.com/Community/Investors-Foundation>

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