The Bar Foundation is the charitable fundraising arm of the Cleveland Metropolitan Bar Association. It raises critical dollars for the association’s nationally recognized public outreach programs that focus on improving the lives of our youth, as well as other vulnerable members of our community. Each year, nearly 1,000 attorneys support these programs with volunteer service. The work of the Bar Foundation changes individual lives in a way that positively impacts the entire community.

CELEBRATING TWO YEARS OF SIGNIFICANT GROWTH

Thanks to the generosity of donors and volunteers like you, the Bar Foundation exhibited amazing growth during the past two years. The Foundation’s Endowment Campaign, including the Fellows Program, raised $1.5 million to add to our endowment to help secure the future of our programs. Foundation-supported programs grew too. The 3Rs, High School Mock Trial, Louis Stokes Scholars Program and Volunteer Lawyers for the Arts — highlighted in this report — provided life-changing opportunities and resources to more high school and college students from our community and additional pro bono legal services to our flourishing arts community.

PROGRAMS SUPPORTED BY BAR FOUNDATION GRANTS

In 2012-14, the following programs received Foundation support: The 3Rs: Rights, Responsibilities, Realities • The 3Rs + • Cleveland Homeless Legal Assistance Program • Ohio and Cleveland High School and Middle School Mock Trial Competitions • Louis Stokes Scholars Program • Stephanie Tubbs Jones Summer Legal Academy • Volunteer Lawyers for the Arts • Reach Out Legal Assistance for Nonprofits • Pro Se Divorce Clinics • Speakers’ Bureau • Law Day • William L. Caffe Hospice and Elder Law Program in partnership with The Legal Aid Society of Cleveland.
The fiscal year of 2013–2014 was an exciting one for the CMBF. From May 2013 to May 2014, the CMBF raised over $1.5 million in endowment dollars. The original goal was to roughly double the endowment and raise $1 million. Through the generous support of more than 200 volunteers giving of their time and money, we not only hit the endowment campaign goal but exceeded it by 52%. With the $1.5 million in campaign dollars and our previous endowment, we will have an endowment of more than $2.4 million available in the future after all pledges are paid. At that time, our endowment will provide the CMBF with a stream of income — more than $120,000 available each and every year into perpetuity — providing crucial support to our vital and impactful community outreach programs, including the award-winning 3Rs and Louis Stokes Scholars programs, mock trial competitions, Cleveland Homeless Legal Assistance program, Pro Se Divorce Clinics (in partnership with The Legal Aid Society of Cleveland), and our other very valuable pro bono legal assistance and public, law-related programs.

The CMBF thanks its fellows, staff, and board leaders for their contributions to the campaign. They all made a difference! We had 163 new fellows join the program during the campaign which was a record year. During your next visit to the Cleveland Metropolitan Bar Association offices, please check out the new donor wall. It lists all of our new leadership fellows.

Looking ahead, the future is bright for the CMBF and its partner, the CMBA. The CMBA’s programs continue to receive acclaim and grow in capacity. These programs touch so many lives. It makes us all proud to be part of this very strong legal community.
## Measuring Program Impact

### By the Numbers

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Joyful high school mock trial team celebrates advancing to state competition.
the 3Rs: Rights, Responsibilities, Realities is an example of lawyers Giving Back to our community that is unparalleled in aim and scope. It continues to grow and thrive.

• The 3Rs reached more than 6,000 students through 10th grade American History classes in school years 2012–13 and 2013–14 in the resource-challenged public high schools in Cleveland and East Cleveland.

• 500 lawyers, judges and law students participated as 3Rs volunteers in the classroom. This remains the largest volunteer program ever undertaken by the Bar Association, engaging over 1,900 volunteers since its start.

• The 3Rs Curriculum was created specifically for the program and focuses on improving students’ understanding of the U.S. Constitution and helping them, through mentoring and counseling, understand the vital importance of graduating from high school and developing a plan for their lives after high school graduation. The civics content in the 3Rs lessons helps students understand their rights and responsibilities and also helps prepare them for the Social Studies section of the Ohio Graduation Test (OGT), which they must pass to graduate.

• Participation in mock trial competitions and bar association diversity pipeline programs has grown dramatically in the Cleveland and East Cleveland public schools. Through the generous support and energy of our 3Rs volunteers and funding from the Foundation, hundreds of students have also participated in field trips to the courts and law offices and in other career shadowing and enrichment experiences.

• The first annual 3Rs Teacher of the Year Award was presented by The 3Rs Committee to Anthony Simeone of Lincoln-West High School, in recognition of the critical partnership between the classroom teacher and our 3Rs volunteers.

“Tell me, and I forget. Teach me, and I remember. Involve me, and I learn.”

– Benjamin Franklin

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**Louis Stokes Scholars Program**

The Louis Stokes Scholars Program provides a vital link between high school and law school for minority and economically disadvantaged college students, most of whom are first generation college students, interested in pursuing legal careers. Through their experiences in this program, our Scholars have grown in their knowledge and skills. Stokes Scholars applicants must be graduates of the Cleveland or East Cleveland schools. Those selected engage in paid summer internships at Cleveland law firms, courts and legal nonprofits. Each Stokes Scholar is paired with an attorney-mentor during the internship who commits to providing a positive introduction to the profession of law and to serving as a resource for the summer internship and beyond.

- A total of 32 Scholars were selected for internships in 2012–2013 and 2013–2014.
- Scholar interns were placed at 16 sites in Cleveland, including McDonald Hopkins LLC; Ogletree, Deakins, Nash, Smoak & Stewart P.C.; Thompson Hine LLP; Squire Patton Boggs (US) LLP; Tucker Ellis LLP; U.S. District Court; 8th District Court of Appeals; Court of Common Pleas; Probate Court; Domestic Relations Court; GAL Project – Juvenile Court; Cleveland Municipal Court; The Legal Aid Society of Cleveland; Cleveland Law Library; and the CMBA.
- Scholars also participated in group field trips and enrichment activities throughout the summer, including in-depth tours of each different court, meetings with judges and court personnel, meetings with law school admissions officers and deans at Cleveland-Marshall College of Law and Case Western Reserve University School of Law, lunches with law firm partners and general counsel, writing skills seminars, public speaking seminars, networking and social events at law firms, Cleveland Indians games and the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame & Museum.
- Our first Scholar-alumnus started law school in the fall of 2014. There are six additional Scholars who are planning to take the LSAT and pursue law school admissions in 2015.

**Changing Lives One Student at a Time**

“The best part of this internship was reaffirming my decision to become an attorney. Often times I have heard of all the challenges and obstacles of becoming a lawyer. However, because of this program and after meeting many wonderful people and listening to their stories and advice, I am confident that I am making the right career choice.”

– Jzinae Jackson, Stokes Scholar 2014, Capital University graduate and Shaw High School graduate

“Being a part of this program, we are surrounded by awesome attorneys who’ve all made different choices in their lives and we see that they all have a very fulfilling life. They’ve given us great examples of how making the right decisions pay off. The lessons I’ve learned here I will use forever.”

– Alana Garrett-Ferguson, Stokes Scholar 2014, Baldwin-Wallace University student, Shaw High School graduate

“The delicate balance of mentoring someone is not creating them in your own image, but giving them the opportunity to create themselves.”

– Steven Spielberg

“Changing lives, one student at a time.”
IN THE WORDS OF GRATEFUL VLA APPLICANTS, WHOSE LEGAL MATTER WAS HANDLED BY A PRO BONO VOLUNTEER:

“As the year comes to a close, we would like to express our gratitude to the Volunteer Lawyers for the Arts. Without your intervention we would not have been able to resolve a difficult tenancy issue in 2013. Throughout the dealings we were given personalized and excellent counsel to efficiently resolve a difficult situation. Please extend our gratitude to the entire board for their support of the arts and express our best wishes for a successful New Year.”

“The arts reflect profoundly the most democratic credo, the belief in an individual vision or voice. The arts’ belief in potential gives each of us — both audience and creator — pride in our society’s ability to nurture individuals.”

– Wendy Wasserstein, acclaimed playwright

The Volunteer Lawyers for the Arts (VLA) is a committee of dedicated volunteers who demonstrate each year what a difference a small group of advocates for the arts can make.

• 19 applicants, either artists or arts organizations, received pro bono assistance through referrals from the VLA Committee.

• Developed a VLA Bootcamp for Lawyers, a successful and free CLE seminar on the basics of representing artists was held in November 2013. Topics included: business entity selection and formation; intellectual property tips for artists; and real estate and landlord-tenant issues.

• Reached out to artists where they live and work by partnering with The Legal Aid Society of Cleveland to staff a brief advice and intake clinic during Pro Bono Week 2013. The clinic was held at El Barrio, in the heart of one of Cleveland’s vibrant arts neighborhoods.

• Strengthened its ties to community organizations, including the Community Partnership for Arts and Culture (CPAC) and the creative arts program at Cuyahoga Community College (Tri-C) by partnering to create and host events. In December of 2013 VLA leaders presented an Affordable Care Act webinar in partnership with CPAC with a focus on its effects on artists as employees and health care recipients. In the spring, the VLA invited Tri-C’s new Dean of Creative Arts, Paul Cox, to connect with the committee and explore ways the VLA can benefit the College’s students.

• Promoted Cleveland’s dynamic arts venues, both by holding educational seminars in galleries and theaters, and by hosting an annual summer social at various art locations around town. In June 2014, the VLA revisited a popular site for the summer social – the Progressive Art Collection at the company’s location in Mayfield Village – and welcomed both current and interested potential VLA members.

“VLA Do Free” Sculpture with neon and recycled materials by Cleveland-area artist Jeffry Chiplis
Endowment Campaign

Raising More Than $1.5 Million For CMBA Programs Into Perpetuity

On May 16, 2013, the CMBF embarked on an endowment campaign to raise another $1 million to provide support for the award-winning public service and pro bono programs of the CMBA for years to come. These programs demonstrate how Cleveland’s lawyers are positively impacting the community by giving of their time, talent and treasure.

The CMBF is most grateful to our Founding Fellows — all prominent leaders in the legal profession and in the community of Greater Cleveland. Founding Fellows commit to gifts of at least $50,000 to the endowment.

In addition to the generous contributions from our Founding and Leadership Fellows, the endowment is growing through the commitments of individual Fellows, at the Gold Level — $10,000, Silver Level — $5,000 and Fellows Level — $2,500 planned gifts through the Legacy Fellows program, and other designated gifts.

In a little more than one year, the CMBF, through its board and the members of the CMBA, raised more than $1,500,000 in endowment dollars as announced at the Celebration Reception held on May 15, 2014. The original goal was to roughly double the endowment and raise $1,000,000. Through the generous support of more than 200 volunteers giving of their time and money, we not only hit the endowment campaign goal, but exceeded it by 52%.

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Founding & Leadership Fellows
(As of July 30, 2014)

FINDING FELLOWS

($100,000 & UP)
- BakerHostetler LLP
- Porter Wright Morris & Arthur LLP
- Spangenberg, Shibley & Libero LLP
- Ulmer & Berne LLP
- Margaret W. Wong & Associates Co., L.P.A.

($50,000 – $99,999)
- Calfee, Halter & Griswold LLP
- Frantz Ward LLP
- Jones Day Foundation
- McDonald Hopkins LLC
- Parker Hannifin Foundation
- Reminger Co., L.P.A.
- Squire Patton Boggs (US) LLP
- Thompson Hine LLP
- Vorys, Sater, Seymour and Pease LLP

LEADERSHIP FELLOWS

($25,000 – $49,999)
- Benesch, Friedlander, Coplan & Aronoff LLP
- Giffin & Kaminski, LLC
- Hahn Loeser & Parks LLP
- O’Gee, Dech, Nash, Smoak & Stewart, P.C.
- Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP
- Taft Stettinius & Hollister LLP
- Tucker Ellis LLP
- William S. Jacobson
- Lynn A. Lazzaro
- John D. and Nancy Liber
- Hugh E. McKay
- Jonathan D. Mester
- David M. Paris
- Richard W. Pogue
- M. Neal Rains
- Michael N. Ungar
## 2013–14 Balance Sheet

**Assets**
- Cash, Cash Equivalent & Investments: $1,372,344
- Prepaid Expenses & Receivables: $1,194,48

**TOTAL ASSETS**: $2,466,592

**Liabilities and Net Assets**
- Liabilities
  - Deferred Revenue: $11,878
  - Accrued Expenses & Other Liabilities: $15,721

**TOTAL LIABILITIES**: $27,599

- Net Assets
  - Unrestricted: $201,372
  - Temporarily Restricted: $1,338,411

**TOTAL NET ASSETS**: $1,539,993

**TOTAL LIABILITIES & NET ASSETS**: $2,466,592

## 2012–13 Balance Sheet

**Assets**
- Cash, Cash Equivalent & Investments: $1,023,884
- Prepaid Expenses & Receivables: $373,305

**TOTAL ASSETS**: $1,397,189

**Liabilities and Net Assets**
- Liabilities
  - Deferred Revenue: $8,284
  - Accrued Expenses & Other Liabilities: $36,122

**TOTAL LIABILITIES**: $44,406

- Net Assets
  - Unrestricted: $165,714
  - Temporarily Restricted: $83,649

**TOTAL NET ASSETS**: $1,352,783

**TOTAL LIABILITIES & NET ASSETS**: $1,397,189

## 2013–14 Revenues

- Event Fundraisers: $189,892
- Donations & Contributions: $1,143,585

**TOTAL**: $1,333,477

## 2012–13 Revenues

- Event Fundraisers: $193,191
- Donations & Contributions: $213,585

**TOTAL**: $285,380

## 2013–14 Expenses

- Program Services: $150,782
- Fundraising: $69,634
- Management & General: $26,851

**TOTAL**: $247,267

## 2012–13 Expenses

- Program Services: $157,244
- Fundraising: $100,492
- Management & General: $27,644

**TOTAL**: $285,380

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A record number of runners kick off the annual Halloween Run for Justice.
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☐ $1,000  ☐ $500  ☐ $250  ☐ $125  ☐ $50 (count me as a “Friend of The 3Rs”)  ☐ $__________ other

☐ Please send me information about the Fellows Program  ☐ Please send me information about the Legacy Fellows Planned Giving Program

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☐ Check enclosed (payable to Cleveland Metropolitan Bar Foundation)  ☐ MasterCard  ☐ Visa  ☐ American Express  ☐ Discover Card
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