

2021 SUMMER APPEAL

COVID Recovery and Equity Initiative

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The City Bar Justice Center is pleased to kick off our Summer Appeal, "Serving Justice, Inspiring Change." The pandemic touched us all but weighed most heavily on those already deeply burdened by systemic barriers. Because of that, recovery and hoped-for growth towards racial equity and broader social justice require a fresh commitment. Today, your donation helps underwrite our COVID Recovery and Equity Initiative, an effort by our team to address our clients' most pressing pandemic recovery needs, particularly concerning consumer debt relief, vulnerable homeowner stability, and small business recovery. Further, your contribution helps fuel the work of twelve civil justice projects, our community outreach and advocacy efforts, and our free civil legal hotline – the largest operation of its kind in New York.

Make a donation: We can provide an invoice and accept payments via ACH, online, or a check payable to the "City Bar Justice Center" to: City Bar Fund, P.O. Box 22629, New York, NY 10087. Please contact our Communications & Development Manager, Cheryl Lopez for more information or if you have any questions at cheryllopez@nycbar.org.

With your financial support, the City Bar Justice Center:

Provides more than 24,000 New Yorkers struggling with poverty and systemic socioeconomic barriers with high-quality civil legal services through brief advice and information, referrals, and both limited scope and extended representation.

Answers more than 10,000 calls for legal help per year on New York's largest free civil Legal Hotline, helping clients on topics like housing, unemployment, consumer debt, planning and estates, and more.

Trains, matches, and mentors over 1,000 volunteer attorneys annually - over 2,000 in this past very unique year - on pro bono cases spanning a wide range of civil legal areas: from immigration to veteran advocacy, helping families residing in homeless shelters, and supporting small businesses.

Implements tailored pro bono programs to provide immediate support to communities when disaster strikes.

Advocates for systemic change through creative public interest leadership rooted in the community.

