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NEW YORK BAR FOUNDATION PRESENTS GRANT TO THE DOOR

The New York Bar Foundation recently presented a grant of \$10,000 to The Door, New York, NY. The grant will be used to support their Legal Services Center, which provides free legal representation in civil cases for young people ages 12-21.

"This grant will support The Door's life-saving work representing undocumented children in removal proceedings," said The Door's Director of Legal Services Eve Stotland. "In immigration court, no one is entitled to a lawyer at government expense—not even children. For young immigrants fleeing persecution in their home countries, legal representation can be the difference between life and death. At The Door, these young immigrants get the help they need, and our results are outstanding. Ninety-four percent of the immigration cases we closed last year resulted in Lawful Permanent Residence, asylum, or another form of lawful status. Today, with changing federal policies, these young people need our assistance more than ever."

"The New York Bar Foundation this year allocated nearly \$700,000 in grants to 105 programs across New York, and we have nearly doubled the total dollar amount of grants over the past five years," said Bar Foundation President John H. Gross. "Foundation leadership has worked hard to increase available funds so that we can continue to assist those in need of legal services across New York State and we are pleased that we are able to offer more assistance."

New York Bar Foundation grants assist in:

- Increasing public understanding of the law
- Improving the justice system and the law
- Facilitating the delivery of legal services
- Enhancing professional competence and ethics

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