



**2019 Justice Bus
Fellowship Application**

OVERVIEW

The Ohio Legal Assistance Foundation (the Foundation) will award a two-year Justice Bus Fellowship (the Fellowship) to an outstanding recent law school graduate with a passion for public service. The Fellow will be responsible for launching and coordinating the Ohio Justice Bus project as detailed in Appendix A. The Fellow will be required to connect with statewide legal aid organizations to ensure that the Ohio Justice Bus project is successfully staffed with pro bono attorneys and that it provides legal services to unserved and underserved populations in Ohio.

The Fellow will receive a competitive salary, benefits, and up to \$6,000 in annual educational loan repayment assistance.

FELLOWSHIP APPLICATION TIMELINE

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| Monday, April 1, 2019 | Application available |
| Monday, April 29, 2019 | Application is due to the Foundation by 5 p.m. EST |
| May 2019 | Interview process begins for selected candidates |
| Friday, June 14, 2019 | Fellowship announced |
| September 2019 | Fellowship begins |

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

Those submitting an application for the Fellowship must meet the following requirements:

- You must be a third-year law student or a recent law school graduate who demonstrates a commitment to public interest law.
- You must be eligible and agree to take the Ohio bar examination in the summer of 2019; OR be admitted to practice law in Ohio; OR, be licensed in another state and eligible for temporary admission before taking the Ohio bar examination.

APPLICATION PROCEDURES

To apply, please submit the following, electronically in a single PDF file, in the order indicated below. The subject line of the email and the attachment should both read “[Your Name]—Justice Bus Fellowship Application.”

- A signed Fellowship Application including responses to the Application Questions
- Resume
- Official law school transcript documenting no less than four semesters of attendance at an ABA-accredited law school that has been redacted to exclude your social security number, date of birth, and student ID number. DO NOT SUBMIT A TRANSCRIPT THAT INCLUDES YOUR SSN.
- Up to two professional letters of recommendation detailing your commitment to public service

Email your application to justiceinaction@olaf.org by close of business (5 p.m. EST) on April 29, 2019.

APPENDIX A

Ohio Justice Bus

Need: Though legal aid organizations in Ohio strive to provide legal services to all Ohioans struggling to make ends meet, there remain many underserved Ohioans who live in geographically isolated areas and who have difficulty accessing the legal services they need. In some counties, there may be as few as 9 attorneys in the whole county. Therefore, an Ohio Justice Bus is necessary to meet these needs.

Goals: The four primary goals of the Justice Bus are to:

- 1) provide critical legal services to Ohioans struggling to make ends meet in rural Ohio;
- 2) generate attorney interest and volunteerism in helping clients in rural areas, thereby growing the number of pro bono attorneys in Ohio;
- 3) increase awareness of civil legal services and the transformative role they play in people's lives, creating stability, safety, and security; and
- 4) bring necessary technology to assist unserved and underserved areas with their legal needs.

The Bus: The best option for an Ohio Justice Bus is an extended sprinter van. This van will serve as a high-tech, mobile office, transporting both people and technology to its service areas. The extended sprinter van will be retrofitted to provide adequate, private workspaces for clients to meet with attorneys, and include all of the required equipment to enable a pro bono attorney to access court documents or print filings or client correspondence. The Fellow should be comfortable with technology and will need to maximize the benefit of the technology on the Bus.

Role of Fellow: The Fellow will be responsible for launching and coordinating the Justice Bus, and also work toward achieving the goals of the Bus as set forth above. In order to achieve these goals, the Fellow should build relationships with statewide legal aid organizations to ensure that the Ohio Justice Bus project is successfully staffed with pro bono attorneys and that the Bus provides legal services to unserved and underserved populations in Ohio.