



Host Site: Southeast Louisiana Legal Services

Project: Capitol Area Rural Parishes Outreach & Legal Clinics Project

Location: Baton Rouge, LA

Description of Fellow Project:

The Capitol Area Rural Parishes Outreach & Legal Clinics Project will expand access to legal services and legal education in the rural parishes surrounding our Baton Rouge office. Since 2015, the Louisiana State Bar Association and Southeast Louisiana Legal Services (SLLS) have worked closely with the Louisiana Library Association to train librarians on how to locate legal resources for their patrons. SLLS continues to develop legal information and resources for this program. We envision having legal clinics and community legal education workshops operating on a regular basis in libraries. This fellowship will focus on six rural parishes in the Capitol Area - East Feliciana, Iberville, Pointe Coupee, St. James, St. John the Baptist, and West Feliciana. The RSLC Fellow will start and/or expand our library outreaches and clinics, develop and distribute information on how to access civil legal services, and start new relationships with community partners in this area. On a daily basis, the student will be engaged as part of the SLLS team delivering life changing civil legal help. Our Corps member will gain skills in client interviewing, advocating for clients, legal research and writing, will develop community legal education workshop materials, and will support library based legal clinics in these rural areas.

Applicant Qualifications:

The Fellow will need a car for transportation and will be reimbursed for mileage.

