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2018 Highlights: Breaking Barriers for Rural Californians

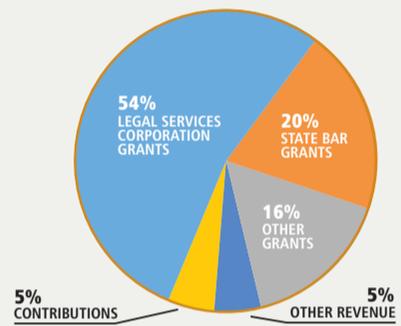
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CALIFORNIA RURAL LEGAL ASSISTANCE, INC.
STATEMENTS OF ACTIVITIES

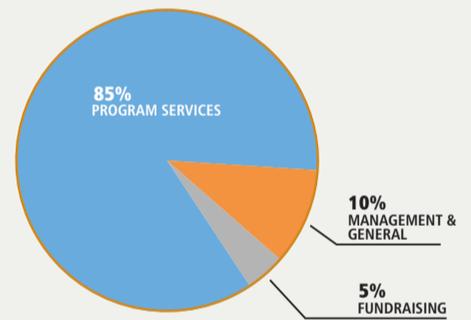
For the Year Ended December 31, 2018

	2018		TOTAL
	WITHOUT DONOR RESTRICTIONS	WITH DONOR RESTRICTIONS	
SUPPORT AND REVENUE			
Grant revenue	\$432,333	\$13,377,961	\$13,810,294
Contributions	794,345	–	794,345
Attorneys fees and costs recovery	571,773	–	571,773
In-kind contributions	–	–	–
Other revenue	218,646	–	218,646
Special event revenue, net of direct expenses of \$0 and 22,100, respectively	–	–	–
Net assets released from restrictions	12,674,159	(12,674,159)	–
TOTAL SUPPORT AND REVENUE	14,691,256	703,802	15,395,058
EXPENSES			
Program services	11,822,620	–	11,822,620
Management and general	1,340,513	–	1,340,513
Fundraising	695,141	–	695,141
TOTAL EXPENSES	13,858,274	–	13,858,274
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS	832,982	703,802	1,536,784
NET ASSETS - BEGINNING OF YEAR, AS ORIGINALLY STATED	1,851,351	2,687,918	4,539,269
Prior period adjustment (Note 2)	–	–	–
NET ASSETS - Beginning of year, as restated	1,851,351	2,687,918	4,539,269
NET ASSETS AT END OF YEAR	\$2,684,333	\$3,391,720	\$6,076,053

2018 REVENUE



2018 EXPENSES



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At CRLA, we believe there should be no walls in the way of justice—neither your race, where you live, nor your annual income should be a barrier to basic human rights.

In 2018, we served 35,000 low-income Californians, and litigated cases that benefited thousands more.

Thanks to our donors and partners, in 2018 we...

Provided high-quality, no-cost legal services

John D. had been working as a seasonal gardener when he found a maintenance position with Santa Barbara. He applied and qualified for the job except for one barrier: a prior felony conviction.

John had completed approximately two and a half years of probation, as well as two court-mandated counseling programs. He had also completed electronic monitoring, paid restitution and legal fees, and was only paying probation supervision fees. He had had no further violations.

Our Santa Maria team helped John secure early termination of probation and reduction of the felony to a misdemeanor. **For John, CRLA's advocacy means he can likely clear his record entirely—and open up many more job opportunities in the future.**



Closed
6,276
cases



Recovered
\$1,922,905
for clients

Helped rural communities get their fair share of resources

In its first full year, our Monterey County Medical Legal Partnership (MLP) has helped low-income patients access nearly \$150,000 in health insurance coverage, public benefits, unpaid wages, and unlawful rent charges.

How? By bringing legal professionals to hospitals and clinics, our MLP team helps healthcare staff identify patients' legal issues. Providing legal services directly to patients where they're receiving healthcare addresses another huge barrier for rural residents: finding legal help in their area.

For low-income Monterey County residents, CRLA's Medical Legal Partnership disrupts a cycle of returning to the unhealthy housing, employment, or other conditions that would otherwise bring them right back to the clinic or hospital.

Protected peoples' rights to seek justice

Morsal and Nargis Amini fled Afghanistan with their family and came to Modesto, where the sisters looked forward to attending an English immersion program for refugee and immigrant students at a local high school.

When the sisters showed up for school, however, they were told that their enrollment had been denied because they were too old and didn't have enough credits to graduate on time.

Because of differences between the US and Afghan calendars, it's common for immigration officials to give Afghan refugees a Jan. 1 birthday, which made it seem the sisters were older.

Our Modesto team appealed the school's enrollment decision on behalf of the Amini sisters, and succeeded in getting Morsal enrolled. There is also a growing push by the community to change the age-based policy for older refugee and immigrant students.

For students like the Amini sisters, CRLA's legal support ensures they can access the education that will help them succeed in their new communities.



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6,677
children and
youth

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