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Formstack Submission For: **2021-22 Holidays All Year Long/Community Service**

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**Name of
Affiliate
Organization:**

Hillsborough County Bar Association Young Lawyers
Division

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Address
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should send
grant funds):**

1610 N. Tampa Street
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Event Name:

Holidays All Year: Resolve To Give

**Estimated
Event Cost:**

900

**Estimated
Young
Lawyer
Attendance :**

10

**Dollar
amount**

requesting
from the
Young
Lawyers
Division of
The Florida
Bar:

500

Each year, the Hillsborough County Bar Association Young Lawyers Division (“HCBA YLD”) hosts its annual Holidays in the New Year event, which in the past has brought together foster children, their caregivers, and young lawyers for a fun-filled day of activities, food, and holiday gift-giving. This year, the HCBA YLD wants to make the biggest impact it can in the community throughout the entire year. Last year, we started the #YLDCares initiative with our first ever diaper drive supporting The Junior League of Tampa Diaper Bank to help them combat diaper need in our community. Instead of only one event this year, in furtherance of our local #YLDCares initiative and in an effort to support The Florida Bar YLD’s recently-announced statewide concentrated giving initiative, we plan to host monthly giving drives alongside our YLD events. The HCBA YLD Board, with input from its members, will identify local nonprofits it would like to support through giving drives, keeping in mind the categories of giving suggested by The Florida Bar YLD. Grant funds would be used to support our giving efforts to each of the selected focus areas. Five to ten HCBA YLD lawyer volunteers will help collect, sort, transport and ultimately deliver donated items to the various non-profit agencies we support. Additionally, for certain drives, we may package the donated items, providing another engaging volunteer opportunity for our members. We will explore planning to collaborate with other local affiliates to make the biggest impact on our community. For example, we may create care packages for foster children based on the donated supplies. As of now, our monthly drives will be the following:

**Event
Description:**

- School supply drive held in conjunction with our upcoming joint happy hour with the St. Pete, Clearwater, and West Pasco YLDs on September 15, 2021 celebrating National Literacy Month;
- Drive (type to be determined based on guidance from The Florida Bar YLD) to be collected at our October 5, 2021 plant social at Leafy Luv Affair in

Hyde Park Village;

- Food drive in November supporting Feeding Tampa Bay in conjunction with a November YLD event;
- Gift drive in December supporting a local organization such as Metropolitan Ministries or Toys for Tots in conjunction with our YLD holiday party;
- January Youth Projects event to be determined based on committee plans, as well as partner comfort with current COVID status, and guidance from The Florida Bar YLD, in celebration of the traditional “Holidays in the New Year” event;
- Book drive in February 2022 where we will ask for book donations written by black authors and/or books highlighting black characters for Black History Month. We will donate the culturally rich and diverse books to a local middle or high school;
- Clothing and accessory drive in March 2022 in honor of Women’s History Month. We will be collecting clothing and accessories to benefit organizations such as Dress for Success or donating to our local Public Defender’s Office to ensure defendants have business casual appropriate attire before a court appearance;
- In April 2022, we plan to host a supply drive benefiting local foster children through the Guardian Ad Litem Program (GAL) and its supporting non-profit agency Voices for Children. April is National Child Abuse Prevention Month, so we plan to partner with these organizations for an event that will provide much-needed items for local foster children, such as toiletries, comfort items, clothing, etcetera;
- Finally, in May 2022, in conjunction with our Health and Wellness activities, we will have a giving drive collecting sports items such as basketballs, footballs, baseballs, soccer balls, etcetera which will then be donated to a local low-income elementary school

Will alcohol be served at the event?:

No

Will any monies received from the YLD be used to purchase alcohol, travel expenses, or

No

**attorney
house?:**

**How will the
YLD funds
be utilized?:**

YLD funds would be disbursed evenly among the different giving drives hosted by the HCBA YLD throughout the Bar year. Grant funds would be used to encourage member donations, perhaps through some kind of match challenge, or to reach a certain giving threshold. In that same vein, funds may be used to purchase certain items for the drive to encourage our members to further support the initiative. For example, perhaps the Board would challenge our members to donate 100 books, and then we would match that donation, purchasing an additional 100 books with grant funds. Funds would not be used to make monetary donations. Instead, we could use \$100 for each drive to purchase school supplies, food, gifts, etcetera to start a base foundation for each drive contributed by the YLD Board. For our September school supply drive, based on donation volume, we may purchase additional school supplies to contribute to our benefactor, the Hillsborough Education Foundation. In November, perhaps the Board would challenge our members to donate 1,000 pounds of non-perishable food. Grant funds may be used to help us meet our goal. For our April event benefitting GAL, funds may be utilized to secure a non-perishable snacks or catered meal for the foster children if we were to put together care packages based on other donations.

**How does
your event fit
into the
parameters of
the Grant?:**

Our monthly giving drives will focus on making the greatest impact in the areas of greatest need in our community throughout the entire Bar year, leading to a greater impact when we all come together to better our community and state. Additionally, the aspect of hosting drives will help foster a competitive aspect in which all of our members can get involved and contribute versus only the YLD Board participating. The drives will make a positive impact on both the drive recipients and the young lawyers who participate. In doing so, the HCBA YLD will support The Florida Bar YLD's new initiative to focus on statewide, collective giving on focused impact areas, ensuring that young lawyers across our state are joining together to do the most good.

**Will your
event benefit**

Through our #YLDCares initiative, we hope to support an array of different local nonprofits that (1)

any other groups?:

are significant to our members, (2) align with different monthly needs in our community, and (3) align with the initiatives of The Florida Bar YLD.

In which Judicial Circuit will your event occur?:

13th Circuit

In which County will your event occur?:

Hillsborough

Will your event be held via Zoom (or other online web platform), in-person, or a combination of the two?:

In-person

Proposed date of event (must be within one year from application deadline):

4/2022

Describe how you will recognize The Florida Bar Young Lawyers Division for its support of your event.:

The Florida Bar YLD will be recognized in advertisements/flyers seeking young lawyer volunteers and/or donations, as well as any social media posts pre- & post-events/drives. The Florida Bar YLD would also be recognized at the events held in conjunction with each drive.

Please attach an event budget.:

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