

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS FOR NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS

- **Geographic Area Served:**
Northeastern Ohio
- **Type and Missions:** The organization's decisionmaking process must have significant community grassroots involvement; the organization must be working to provide housing, economic opportunities, social services, educational improvement, and/or cultural preservation to low-income populations or communities
- **Budget:** Unable to pay for legal services or demonstrate that such payment would substantially negatively impact its charitable work



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Registration & Information:

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ReachOut**

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REGISTRATION FORMS

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FOR QUESTIONS

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**LEGAL ASSISTANCE
FOR NONPROFITS**



**Free Educational Seminars for
Attorneys & Nonprofit Leaders**

What is Reach Out?

Reach Out provides law-related education and pro bono legal assistance to nonprofit organizations in Northeast Ohio whose missions focus on community service and who demonstrate financial need.

Since its start in 2012, Reach Out has been a valued legal resource for over 100 leaders from 80 nonprofits, through the efforts of nearly 100 volunteers. Reach Out nonprofits serve the Greater Cleveland area in a vast variety of ways, including after-school programs, churches, the arts, neighborhood enrichment, reentry programs, nature and science centers, and much more.

Reach Out volunteers include in-house counsel, solo practitioners, lawyers just starting their practice, and lawyers looking for a way to give back in retirement. The CLE training provided helps them become proficient in advising nonprofits, both in their careers and as pro bono service.

The program has worked to provide valuable legal advice to those who would not otherwise be able to access it, helping organizations that are making a difference in Cleveland.

“It was great that a wide variety of information was presented, to address a wide variety of needs by the nonprofits present.

Reach Out gave enough information to give direction on how to find/ask for more, which is just what I needed.”

– Stacy Harrison, Graphic Designer/Nonprofit Board Member



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A series of free educational seminars will provide nonprofit leaders with information on various legal issues of importance to their organizations. Nonprofits will be matched with volunteer attorneys following the seminar for a brief advice and counseling session. If the services of a transactional lawyer appear to be needed, the matter may be referred to a lawyer willing to accept referrals.



FOR LAWYERS

Lawyers will receive free CLE credits* at each educational seminar they attend with the goal of educating them to provide services in three ways:

1. Serving as faculty in law-related education programs
2. Providing brief advice and counseling at designated clinics, and/or
3. Accepting referrals for pro bono service on transactional legal matters, and in some cases, litigation.

*Attorneys will receive 1.5 hours of CLE credit for attendance at the educational seminar, which is free with participation in the clinic to follow.

Sign me up for the following FREE Educational Seminars!

Reach Out Educational Seminars are designed to provide important legal information related to nonprofit management. Nonprofit leaders are encouraged to attend each seminar and participate in the brief advice clinics that follow.

LOCATION

CMBA Conference Center
1375 E. 9th Street, Floor 2, Cleveland, Ohio 44114

TIMES

4:00 – 4:30 p.m. Registration
4:30 – 6:00 p.m. Topic Discussion (1.5 hr. CLE credit)
6:15 – 7:15 p.m. Consultations/Brief Advice

☐ THURSDAY, APRIL 7, 2016

Nonprofit Formation

(in partnership with the CMBA's Volunteer Lawyers for the Arts)

☐ THURSDAY, MAY 26, 2016

Government Relations: IRS Compliance and Political Activities

☐ THURSDAY, AUGUST 25, 2016

Employment Law for Nonprofits: How to Reduce Risk and Improve Compliance

(in partnership with the VLA)

☐ THURSDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2016

Contract Review for Nonprofits

☐ Nonprofit Leader ☐ Attorney

Name _____

Nonprofit/Firm/Company _____

Phone _____

E-mail _____

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Website _____

Your Position at Nonprofit _____

Is the organization incorporated? ☐ Yes ☐ No

I affirm that the nonprofit I represent meets the eligibility requirements for participation in Reach Out listed on the back of this page.

Signature _____

Date _____