

## **PLSS Summer Grant Program**

The Public Legal Services Society (PLSS) at University of the Pacific, McGeorge School of Law was established in 1990 by law students who, in the noblest traditions of the law, desired to use their legal education to assist the less fortunate and serve the common good. The students later created the PLSS summer grant to help law students gain valuable work experience with non-profit and government organizations that need legal interns but cannot afford to pay them. The students have organized and hosted an annual event since 1992 to raise funds for the PLSS Summer Grant Program, which encourages and enables law students in the pursuit of public interest or public service legal careers.

The PLSS Summer Grant Program provides current students with modest grants to help cover their living expenses while they volunteer as unpaid summer interns in public interest organizations. The students can engage in meaningful public assistance and public policy-related legal work in a wide variety of organizations, both domestically and abroad. These positions offer students valuable legal experience, while the employing organizations benefit from the gratis staffing the students provide. In the past, students have secured positions to serve in areas of public defense, water resources, agricultural labor relations, child and elder care, relationship abuse, district attorney offices, among other nonprofits and agencies.

To qualify for a PLSS Summer Grant, students must volunteer at least 20 hours during the academic year in support of the annual PLSS Spring Event, PLSS-sponsored community service projects, and community service, and to secure a placement with a qualifying law-related or legal position with a public interest organization. The selection committee uses a point system with a predetermined rubric to evaluate each application and determine how to award the available funds.

This year, we were able to provide summer grants to eight students totaling \$22,690 allowing them to work for the public welfare in government internships, including Department of Forestry, CAL Fire, Department of Toxic Substances Control, Franchise Tax Board, Nevada County Public Defender's Office, Sacramento County Public Defender's Office, and San Bernadino County Public Defender's Office.

## **Sponsorship Opportunities Available**

Please consider supporting student summer grants by sponsoring the annual PLSS event by contacting the McGeorge Office of Advancement at 916.739.7300 or [mcgeorgedevelopment@pacific.edu](mailto:mcgeorgedevelopment@pacific.edu).

## Sponsorship Opportunities

### Title — \$15,000

- Support Four (4) Student 2026 PLSS Summer Grants
- Prominent Acknowledgement on Marketing Materials
- Acknowledgement by Emcee at Event
- VIP Reserved Seating
- Twelve (12) Tickets to the 2026 PLSS Spring Event
- Benefits FMV: \$840

### Platinum — \$7,000

- Support Two (2) Student 2026 PLSS Summer Grants
- Prominent Acknowledgement on Marketing Materials
- Acknowledgement by Emcee at Event
- Eight (8) Tickets to the 2026 PLSS Spring Event
- Benefits FMV: \$560

### Gold — \$3,500

- Support One (1) Student 2026 PLSS Summer Grant
- Acknowledgement on Marketing Materials
- Six (6) Tickets to the 2026 PLSS Reception
- Benefits FMV: \$420

### Silver — \$1,750

- Support Toward Half of a Student's 2026 PLSS Summer Grant
- Acknowledgement on Marketing Materials
- Four (4) Tickets to the 2026 PLSS Reception
- Benefits FMV: \$280

### Bronze — \$500

- Acknowledgement on Marketing Materials
- Two (2) Tickets to the 2026 PLSS Reception
- Benefits FMV: \$140

Sponsorships must be submitted by **March 7, 2026**, for placement on marketing materials and for awarding of the 2026 PLSS Summer Grants.

This year's special event will feature "Choir! Choir! Choir!," the fully interactive, participatory show that turns the audience into the performer! You will also be able to interact with PLSS students, staff, faculty, and alumni.

Federal Tax ID: 94-1156266

***Thank you for your support of McGeorge students in public service!***

Sponsorship contributions in excess of the Fair Market Value (FMV) are tax-deductible and will be receipted to the fullest extent permitted by law.

Name/Contact (Please print): \_\_\_\_\_ Class: \_\_\_\_\_

Firm/Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Please update my name and/or address. Please send mail to my: ☐ Home ☐ Business

**Yes, I want to sponsor PLSS at the following level:** (See back for a detailed listing of sponsorship levels.)

- ☐ \$15,000 Title (Sponsor Four Grants)
- ☐ \$7,000 Platinum (Sponsor Two Grants)
- ☐ \$3,500 Gold (Sponsor One Grant)
- ☐ \$1,750 Silver (Sponsor 1/2 of a Grant)
- ☐ \$500 Bronze
- ☐ Other Gift Amount \$ \_\_\_\_\_

### Donor Recognition

☐ My/Our name(s) should read: \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Please include our logo on the sponsor recognition materials. (Email logo to [mcgeorgedevelopment@pacific.edu](mailto:mcgeorgedevelopment@pacific.edu))

☐ I/We wish to remain anonymous.

☐ I/We wish to decline the benefits.

### Payment Method

☐ **Check** payable to *McGeorge School of Law*.

☐ **Credit Card:** Online at [pacific.edu/plsssponsorform](http://pacific.edu/plsssponsorform), or mail form back to the address below.

**Please charge my:** ☐ Personal Credit Card ☐ Company Credit Card

**Card Type:** ☐ Visa ☐ MasterCard ☐ American Express ☐ Discover

Card Number \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date \_\_\_\_\_

Billing Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

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