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**THE NEW YORK BAR FOUNDATION PRESENTS THE CENTER FOR FAMILY
REPRESENTATION WITH A \$6,937 GRANT**

The New York Bar Foundation recently presented a grant of \$6,937 to the Center for Family Representation. The grant will be used to support their Interdisciplinary Civil Defense Teams for housing and public benefits program.

“Funding from the New York Bar Foundation enables CFR to provide free legal and social work services to vulnerable families to address issues that disrupt their stable housing and public benefits, impacting their ability to keep their families together” said CFR Executive Director, Michele Cortese. “I am grateful to the New York Bar Foundation for recognizing CFR’s work with this generous grant.”

Foundation grants assist non-profit organizations with essentials-of-life issues such as child support, consumer debt, housing, access to health care and education, and family matters such as domestic violence and family stability. Added this year was a focus on COVID-19 related issues, attorney wellness, and racial justice impacted programming needs.

“The New York Bar Foundation is dedicated to supporting charitable projects aimed at meeting the law-related needs of the public and the profession. Helping people and highlighting the good works of the legal profession is at the heart of what we do,” said President of the Foundation, Carla M. Palumbo.

The Foundation recently allocated more than \$600,000 in grants to ninety-eight programs across New York. Lucia Whisenand, chair of the Grants Review Committee, noted “By raising awareness of the tremendous need for access to civil legal services and allocating resources to help meet these needs, the Foundation helps make access to justice a reality for millions of people throughout New York State.”

The Foundation has been having a positive impact on the legal community since its inception in 1950. “In speaking with our grantee organizations, we know these needs continue to grow,” adds June Castellano, Vice-chair of the Grant Review Committee. “When you give to the Foundation you help change people’s lives in many ways.”

The New York Bar Foundation, a 501(c)(3) organization, is the charitable arm of the New York State Bar Association. To learn more about the Foundation visit www.tnybf.org