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## **THE NEW YORK BAR FOUNDATION PRESENTS THE CENTER FOR FAMILY REPRESENTATION GRANT**

The New York Bar Foundation recently presented a grant of \$4,609 to the Center for Family Representation (CFR). The grant will be used to support the organization's Immigration Practice.

"When the city charges immigrant parents with neglect, which is often conflated with poverty, that charge can put their immigration status in jeopardy," said CFR Executive Director Tehra Coles. "Funding from the New York Bar Foundation will help enable CFR to provide free and specialized attorney, social work, and paralegal assistance to these non-citizen parents so their families can remain intact. I am grateful to the New York Bar Foundation for recognizing CFR's work with this generous grant."

The New York Bar Foundation grant program assists non-profit organizations with law-related projects across New York state that facilitate the delivery of civil legal services to those in need, improve the justice system and the law, enhance professional competence and ethics and increase public understanding of the law.

"Supporting the Foundation helps preserve a bedrock principle of our government – that everyone is entitled to equal access to justice," said the Honorable Cheryl E. Chambers, Foundation President. "Without these vital programs that the Foundation and other charitable organizations support, justice would look very different for those who can afford an attorney than for those who cannot."

The Foundation recently allocated more than \$668,000 in grants to ninety-five programs across New York State. Lucia Whisenand, chair of the Grants Review Committee, noted "The non-profits that we support help make justice a reality for millions of people throughout New York State."

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