



A Cy Pres Award to the Foundation Can Make a Big Difference

Housing

- Community Legal Services
- DNA People's Legal Services
- Southern Arizona Legal Aid
- Lawyers Helping Homeowners

Domestic Violence

- Community Legal Services
- DNA People's Legal Services
- Southern Arizona Legal Aid
- Domestic Violence Legal Assistance Project
- Arizona Coalition Against Domestic Violence

Elder Law

- Community Legal Services
- DNA People's Legal Services
- Southern Arizona Legal Aid
- LawForSeniors.org
- Area Agency on Aging
- AZ Senior Citizens Law Project

Children/Family

- Community Legal Services
- DNA People's Legal Services
- Southern Arizona Legal Aid
- Defenders of Children

Health/Benefits/Disability

- Community Legal Services
- DNA People's Legal Services
- Southern Arizona Legal Aid
- Advocates for the Disabled
- Arizona Center for Disability Law
- William E. Morris Institute for Justice
- St. Vincent de Paul Society
- Mountain Park Health Center
- Tucson Family Advocacy Project

Consumer Law/Fraud

- Community Legal Services - Statewide Consumer Law Project
- DNA People's Legal Services
- Southern Arizona Legal Aid

Individual Rights

- Community Legal Services
- DNA People's Legal Services
- Southern Arizona Legal Aid
- Florence Immigrant Refugee Rights Project
- Catholic Social Services
- AWEE - Arizona Women's Employment & Education
- The Justice Project
- Capital Representation Project

ABOUT THE FOUNDATION

The State Bar of Arizona created the Arizona Foundation for Legal Services & Education in 1978, charging it with the mission of promoting access to justice for all Arizonans.

Today, the Foundation is a separate 501(c)3 organization that fulfills this mission by preparing Arizona youth for civic responsibility and providing access to justice for Arizonan's most in need.

Through the provision of technical and financial assistance to probation & resource officers, teachers & administrators, private attorneys & judges, and legal service attorneys & advocates, the Foundation works to level the playing field, so that all in Arizona have knowledge and access to the justice systems.

The Foundation brings together more than 30 non-profit organizations that provide quality legal services and education on a number of important legal issues such as individual rights, health care, education, employment rights, housing and consumer fraud.

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CY PRES AWARDS MAKE A DIFFERENCE.

Great Reasons to Direct a Cy Pres Award to the Foundation...

- **The Foundation is free of potential conflicts.** The Foundation does not file lawsuits or represent parties in any court, and thus is free of any potential conflict that otherwise might arise for the court or the defendant(s) in a case.
- **The Foundation's mission.** The Foundation's mission of increasing access to justice for all Arizonans makes it a perfect recipient for cy pres awards.
- **The Foundation's oversight capabilities.** Because the Foundation provides ongoing oversight of the projects it funds, the parties can be confident that cy pres funds will be used in the manner contemplated by the court. The Foundation is able to provide this oversight without deducting fees from the award for the administration or monitoring of the award.
- **The Foundation's network and expertise.** Through its extensive network of organizations that carry out projects aimed at increasing access to justice and educating the public about its rights and responsibilities, the Foundation is well situated to identify organizations that address issues related to the litigation at hand.
- **The Foundation's service to Arizona's communities.** The Foundation provides ongoing public legal education to all of Arizona's communities through websites; including AZLawHelp.org, LawforSeniors.org, and LawforKids.org.
- **The Foundation's statewide focus.** The Foundation brings a statewide perspective to its work, funding projects in rural areas, where the need for legal services is particularly great, as well as in the major metropolitan areas.
- **The Foundation's flexibility.** The Foundation has the flexibility of using a cy pres award to expand our established grant-making and scholarship programs or to target the funds towards specific access to justice projects/organizations. We welcome cy pres awards that are not designated for specific projects or organizations but would support the full complement of the Foundation's programs.
- **The Foundation's experience.** Each year, the Foundation grants and administers millions of dollars in grants to Arizona's communities. The Foundation can assure that 100% of a cy pres award goes directly to the intended recipient, while still providing oversight if needed.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Q What is a Cy Pres award?

A The term cy pres is derived from the Norman French phrase *cy pres comme possible*, meaning "as near as possible". In a class action or mass tort settlement where it is not possible to directly distribute all of the money to the class or remaining balance of an award, a cy pres distribution to a non-profit charitable organization whose work advances the public interest and indirectly benefits the class members is broadly accepted as the next best use (as near as possible) of the funds.

Q Who benefits from a Cy Pres award?

A A cy pres award made to the Arizona Foundation for Legal Services & Education would support grants to organizations that provide services to adults and educate youth on a number of important legal issues such as individual rights, domestic violence, health care, veteran's issues, education, elder law, employment rights, housing and consumer fraud.

Q Where can I find more information?

A Information can be found on the Foundation's website at www.azflse.org, by email to info@azflse.org or by contacting our staff at (602) 340-7366.