

Legal Aid Society of Palm Beach County, Inc.

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2011-2012 Campaign for Equal Justice

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Dear Friend of Legal Aid,

The financial crisis has lasted much longer than many experts had predicted and low income children, families and senior adults in our community have been disproportionately affected. As lawyers, we are trustees of the justice system and have a unique professional responsibility to ensure that everyone has access to that system, not just people who can afford it. Our responsibility is more important today, given the numbers of people in our community who now qualify for this assistance. Many need help with civil issues that impact their very existence: foreclosures, domestic violence, obtaining benefits, remaining in school, custody and guardianships, children aging out of the foster care system, to name a few. The Legal Aid Society of Palm Beach County gives families and individuals hope, protection and stability to start on the road to self-sufficiency.

As we begin our annual **Campaign for Equal Justice**, we want to thank all of you who participated in last year's campaign. Through your efforts, 1200 clients were provided with pro bono services and \$386,679 was raised to help support free legal services to the disadvantaged in Palm Beach County.

We are acutely aware of the difficult times being faced by many of you in our legal community and fully appreciate your continued commitment to serving our most vulnerable citizens. We invite you to continue to make a difference either by taking a pro bono case or making a \$350 or \$400 tax-deductible contribution. In 2010-2011, 45% of you responded positively to increasing your donation to \$400 and we are thankful for this additional support.

It is an important time to make a difference. Thank you so much for your consideration this year.

Sincerely,



Robert A. Bertisch, Esq.

Executive Director

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