

Harriett Buhai Center for Family Presents its

2015 FAMILY LAW TRAINING FOR NEW VOLUNTEERS

Join our remarkable team of over 300 volunteers who aid us in our mission of assuring low-income families in Los Angeles access to the courts, reducing poverty and stopping domestic violence.

FAMILY LAW TRAINING FOR NEW VOLUNTEERS

When: Saturday, May 30, 2015

8:30 am to 4 pm

Where: Loyola Law School

919 Albany Street

Los Angeles, CA 90015

Parking: \$10 (entrance on Albany Street) **Accepting Volunteer Applications From:**

- Attorneys eligible to practice law in the State of California

- Law Students and Law Graduates
- Certified Paralegals

Please note: acceptance of applications to volunteer remains at the discretion of the Center

Cost: \$100 — Eligible participants who commit to volunteering Price includes 'Family Law Basics'

> \$25 — Law students (with confirmation of current enrollment) Price does not include 'Family Law Basics'

> Continental breakfast and lunch are included with registration.

Volunteer Commitment Within 12 Months Following the Training:

- 50 hours of office pro per assistance and/or
- Acceptance of one case for full representation* or
- Acceptance of two cases for limited scope representation*

* Available only for California attorneys, based on requisite experience and skills.

REGISTRATION DEADLINE May 22, 2015

Earn 5.5 CLE Credits Make a difference in the community Learn Family Law Build your skills as a lawyer, paralegal or law student

This activity has been approved for MCLE credit by the State Bar of California in the amount of 5.5 hours and the Harriett Buhai Center for Family Law certifies that this activity conforms to the standards for approved education activities prescribed by the rules and regulations of the State Bar of California governing minimum continuing legal education.

Family Law Training for New Volunteers

The purpose of this intensive, all-day training is to give participants an introduction to California family law practice and procedure. The training is primarily directed towards preparing volunteers to help clients. The emphasis is on issues that frequently arise at the Center, including:

- Need for supervised or monitored visitation
- Controlled custody plan
- Establishing the basis for orders of personal restraint
- Garnering sufficient information to request child support
- Establishing a case for spousal support
- Dividing community assets, primarily retirement plans and marital homes

Center staff and volunteers will conduct the training in lecture and small group formats. By the end of the day, participants will have been exposed to key family law concepts and forms and learned more about their role as Center volunteers. After the training, volunteers are matched with the Center's program needs based on prior experience, training and education.*

*Every effort will be made to accommodate individual schedules and preferences. Due to the Center's great need for Spanish speakers and individuals able to volunteer on weekdays, individuals within these two groups will receive preference in registration.

Volunteer Options

Option 1: Office Based Pro Per Program

In small groups and individual sessions, volunteers help guide participants through the complicated process of preparing, filing and presenting their own legal documents in court. With advice, counsel and instruction from volunteers and supervision by the Center's staff, low-income individuals are assisted in completing court forms, declarations, motions, orders to show cause, judgments, and points and authorities, as needed. Appointments at the Center are scheduled during the weekdays and on Saturdays.

Option 2: Pro Bono Panel

Volunteer attorneys licensed in the State of California, provide direct representation as counsel of record. Attorneys can provide limited scope appearance and/or full representation. Cases referred to the Pro Bono Panel typically involve multiple issues of custody, violence, support and/or property. The Pro Bono Panel Manager assigns one case at a time with the consent of the volunteer attorney. Lawyers with less than three years of family law experience are assigned a mentor. Participation in the Pro Bono Panel is at the discretion of the Center.

Name: _			
City:		St.:	Zip Code:
Email: _			
Registra	tion Fees:		
□ \$100	For eligible participants who commit to volunteering [price includes 'Family Law Basics,' over 1,000 pages and 25 chapters of advice, procedure and substance offering a walk through the fundamentals of California Family Law]		
□ \$ 25	For law students (with confirmation of current enrolment). Price <u>does not</u> include 'Family Law Basics'		
Full	· ·	15 administration fee will be mad no later than the registration dead	le when we receive written cancellation dline, Friday, May 22nd, 2015.
□ Encl	osed is my check (payable to the Harriett Buhai C	Center for Family Law) for: \$
□ Pleas	e charge \$	to my 🗆 Visa 🗆 Ma	sterCard American Express
Account No.		Exp. Date:	3 or 4 digit Security Code:

Return completed form to:

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The Mission of the Harriett Buhai **Center for Family Law**

Mission Statement:

We protect victims of domestic violence and improve the well-being of children living in poverty. With the help of volunteers, the Center provides free family law assistance and legal education to the poor. We strive to empower people in need and assure them meaningful access to the courts.

Vision Statement:

We aspire to create a community where poverty is not a barrier to those who seek to resolve critical family law matters.

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