

## Why Do Pro Bono

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#### **Benefits the Employee**

Pro bono work offers benefits to lawyers and other legal staff by:

- Enhancing job fulfillment
  - Brings great personal and professional satisfaction
- Helping employees hone skills and improve productivity
- Offering a variety of experiences that cannot be duplicated elsewhere
  - Both litigation and transactional opportunities exist
- Reminding lawyers why they became lawyers
- Enabling lawyers to fulfill their ethical obligations



#### **Benefits the Company**

# Pro bono work offers value to legal departments and companies by:

- Providing opportunities for all members of a legal department to work together
- Building morale and promoting teamwork
- Rejuvenating the legal department
  - Provides for new opportunities and challenges
- Promoting a company's reputation in the community
  - Enhances public relations
- Affording the legal department the opportunity to add value to a company's corporate social responsibility efforts



### **Benefits the Community**

# Pro bono work offers value to communities where we live and work by:

- Assisting low-income and otherwise disadvantaged individuals and families, and the organizations that serve them
  - 80% of the legal needs of low income people go unmet
- Focusing on a variety of needs that, when addressed, help stabilize communities, including:
  - Education
  - Immigration
  - Family relations
  - Housing
  - Community economic development
  - Growth of small businesses

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#### **Pro Bono Resources**

#### CPBO offers a number of resources on its website (<u>www.cpbo.org</u>), including the following:

- The Business Case for In-House Pro Bono: <u>www.cpbo.org/businesscase</u>
- Pro Bono Development Guide: How to Start an In-House Pro Bono Program: <u>www.cpbo.org/getstarted</u>
- Best Practices Profiles: <u>http://www.cpbo.org/resources/best-practice-profiles/</u>
- Guide to Multijurisdictional Practice Rules: <a href="http://www.cpbo.org/mjpguide">http://www.cpbo.org/mjpguide</a>
- Professional Liability Insurance for In-House Pro Bono: <u>www.cpbo.org/insurance</u>
- Pro bono opportunities and ideas:
  - CPBO Clinic in a Box<sup>®</sup> Program: <u>http://www.cpbo.org/initiatives/clinic-in-a-box/</u>
  - Pro Bono Marketplace of Ideas: <u>www.cpbo.org/Marketplace</u>
- Benchmarking in-house pro bono:
  - 2012 Benchmarking Survey Report: <u>http://www.cpbo.org/benchmarking2012</u>
  - The Corporate Pro Bono Challenge<sup>®</sup> Initiative: <u>http://www.cpbo.org/cpbo-challenge/</u>
- Corporate Pro Bono
  - Who We Are: <u>http://www.cpbo.org/about-us/</u>



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