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# EMPOWERING PRO BONO DAY

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## Fact Sheet

Pro Bono Institute and its Corporate Pro Bono project, in partnership with the legal department of Entergy Corporation and Edison Electric Institute, are hosting the fourth annual **EmPOWERing Pro Bono Day** on Thursday, **November 13, 2025**.

EmPOWERing Pro Bono Day brings together volunteer lawyers and legal staff from electric and gas companies to provide pro bono legal services to low-income and marginalized communities. In-house volunteers partner with legal services organizations and law firms to amplify their efforts and expand access to justice.

Learn more about [prior EmPOWERing Pro Bono Days](#).

### Who can participate in EmPOWERing Pro Bono Day?

**Legal departments of electric and gas companies** are encouraged to participate by **organizing** their own legal pro bono events or by **volunteering** with events hosted by others on EmPOWERing Pro Bono Day.

Many in-house legal teams choose to **partner with legal services organizations, public interest groups, other legal departments, and law firms** to plan and deliver impactful events. These partners often provide training and resources for volunteers, help recruit and vet clients, offer space to host events, and more.

### What events are included in EmPOWERing Pro Bono Day ?

EmPOWERing Pro Bono Day includes a wide range of activities designed to promote in-house pro bono engagement and expand access to justice. Participating legal departments can host or join events that reflect their interests and community needs.

Events may include **legal clinics, research projects, brief legal service opportunities, or training sessions** that support future pro bono work. They can be one-day efforts or serve as a launchpad for longer-term representation. Events may include efforts to end homelessness, support for immigrants navigating legal systems, assistance with expungement and driver's license restoration, life-planning services for veterans, legal support for survivors of domestic violence, capacity-building for small nonprofits and micro-enterprises, and more.

For more examples, view the summary of [prior EmPOWERing Pro Bono Day events](#).

## Where do EmPOWERing Pro Bono events take place?

Events can take place **anywhere** around the globe! Events can be **in-person, virtual, or hybrid**.

## When is the 2025 EmPOWERing Pro Bono Day?

EmPOWERing Pro Bono Day takes place on **Thursday, November 13, 2025**, with flexibility for legal departments to host events during the **ten days before or after the official date**.

## Why participate in EmPOWERing Pro Bono Day?

EmPOWERing Pro Bono Day **amplifies the impact of legal pro bono programs across the electric and gas industries** by bringing departments together to address critical community needs through coordinated pro bono efforts. It's an opportunity for volunteers to give back, collaborate with colleagues, and work alongside community partners.

The day also offers a great opportunity to **launch a new in-house pro bono program or spotlight an existing one**. Corporate Pro Bono provides resources and technical assistance to support departments at any stage of their pro bono journey.

## How to participate in EmPOWERing Pro Bono Day?


### 1. Let Corporate Pro Bono Know You're

**Participating:** Notify Corporate Pro Bono that your legal department plans to take part. You'll receive a form to provide details about your planned event. After EmPOWERing Pro Bono Day, Corporate Pro Bono will follow up to collect metrics that help showcase the overall impact.

**2. Plan Your Event:** Begin coordinating with potential partners, including legal services organizations, public interest groups, other legal departments, and law firms, to develop your event. Corporate Pro Bono is available to help identify meaningful opportunities that align with your department's interests and capacity.

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## 2024 EmPOWERING Pro Bono Day: By the Numbers



**15**  
in-house legal  
departments



**24**  
pro bono events  
and trainings



**326**  
in-house  
volunteers



**463**  
clients  
served