The Greater Richmond Bar Foundation (GRBF) expands access to Justice by mobilizing, training, and connecting attorneys to pro bono clients.

Helping families stay in their homes -
GRBF works in partnership with HOME (Housing Opportunities Made Equal) of Virginia and the Central Virginia Legal Aid Society (CVLAS) to address the eviction crisis, with volunteer conciliators facilitating payment plans for eligible tenants, helping keep families in their homes and helping make landlords whole.

Legal help for local nonprofits -
The Pro Bono Clearinghouse acts as a virtual law firm, deploying attorney volunteers to help nonprofits with transactional matters. This frees the nonprofits to focus on their missions.

Wills Clinics -
GRBF and our volunteers help bring peace of mind to frontline healthcare workers, disadvantaged seniors, and their families with simple life planning documents.

Triage Project -
The Triage project expands the capacity of Legal Aid by recruiting private attorney volunteers to assist in critical areas of need where CVLAS cannot provide full representation. Triage "Champions" manage virtual firms of volunteer lawyers, who assist disadvantaged clients.

279 Triage cases were closed with significant increases in the number of completed divorces & consumer bankruptcies.

712 evictions were diverted through the Eviction Diversion Program.

1,100 nonprofits assisted since the Pro Bono Clearinghouse’s inception.

500+ families obtained life planning documents through a GRBF Wills Clinic.
"A few hours of pro bono work can be life changing... GRBF will provide the tools to help you succeed."

- GRBF Volunteer

Helping attorneys do pro bono - GRBF provides tools and resources to help attorneys do pro bono, with training, mentoring, and access to the JusticeServer 2.0 platform.

Building a culture of pro bono service - We envision a world where all lawyers do pro bono work. We can make this happen with your support.

Modernization
In 2021 GRBF worked with web developer TechArk to modernize our website. We now have a mobile-optimized, user-friendly website! Check it out at www.grbf.org.

Ask a Lawyer Series
In 2021, through a new partnership with The Collaboratory of Virginia, GRBF launched Ask a Lawyer, offering sessions on legal topics of interest to nonprofits. The sessions are open to any Virginia 501(c)(3)s.

Operations
Thanks to you, GRBF was able to transition our staff of three from part-time to full-time, enabling us to work even harder in 2021.

We were honored to receive the Virginia State Bar Access to Legal Services Committee's 2021 Frankie Muse Freeman Organizational Pro Bono Award. GRBF & our volunteers have provided thousands of hours of legal services through our numerous programs and partnerships over the years.