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2019 Award Winners

The Foundation is excited to announce its 2019 civic education, civil justice, and Fellows award winners. A dinner honoring [nineteen award winners](#) as well as Keystone Society members will be at the Crowne Plaza Union Station, Indianapolis, on Sunday, December 8. [Register online](#) by December 2.

We the People State Finals

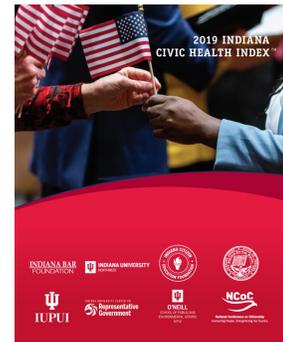


Over 600 students from 25 [Indiana high schools and middle schools](#) will display their knowledge of the U.S. Constitution December 8-10 at the We the People State Finals. John Tinker, lead plaintiff in *Tinker v. Des Moines*, will address the students in commemoration of the 50th anniversary recognizing students' rights to free speech. Students will also witness nearly 100 new U.S. citizens become naturalized at a ceremony led by Chief Judge Robyn Moberly of the U.S. Bankruptcy Court, Southern District of Indiana.

To volunteer at the State Finals, [sign up here](#) or contact Tim Kalgreen at 317-608-6503 or tkalgreen@inbf.org.

Indiana Civic Health Index

The fourth, and latest, edition of the [Indiana Civic Health Index](#) seeks to turn the data studied over the past eight years into action in order to build on previous successes and address future challenges. Positively, in many community-related activities, such as volunteering, giving, and community membership, Hoosiers participate in rates higher than the national average. However, voter registration and turnout, past and present, is consistently ranked well below the national average.



Former Congressman Lee Hamilton, former Indiana Supreme Court Chief Justice Randall Shepard, and former Indiana Attorney General Greg Zoeller presented the findings to the public in Indianapolis, Gary, Fort Wayne, Bloomington, and Evansville.

Civil Legal Aid Grants

The Foundation board approved a grant of \$1,000,000 to support Indiana's pro bono system in 2020. The newly formed nonprofit organization, Pro Bono Indiana, will serve as an umbrella organization for ten of Indiana's

local pro bono districts. The goal of Pro Bono Indiana is to provide administrative and technology support, insurance coverage, and a strong platform for sharing of intake, case management, legal content, and training resources. In addition, the Foundation, with funds from the Indiana Supreme Court, is distributing three high impact grants for medical legal partnerships and veterans' legal services totaling \$250,000.

Support Civic Education and Civil Legal Aid for Hoosiers

Thank you for your past and continued support of the Indiana Bar Foundation. On behalf of the board of directors and staff, we want you to know that we value your many contributions of time and resources. Quite frankly, we could not carry out our mission without you.

It is our desire to reach our fundraising goal of \$100,000 by December 31. There are various levels of giving and associated benefits to recognize donors who help us achieve this goal. Our highest level of donor recognition is the [Keystone Society](#) which recognizes donors who contribute \$1,000 or more annually. Even if you are not able to give at the level of the Keystone Society, a gift at any amount is greatly appreciated. Please consider a gift that is meaningful to you.

Contact Kim Berry at 317-269-7864 or kberry@inbf.org with any questions and to discuss further. We are grateful for your continued participation and support.

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