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Dear TAJF Grantees and Potential EJW Fellowship Applicants:

Since 1999, TAJF has provided funding for Equal Justice Works Fellowships at TAJF grantee sites. We recently learned that Equal Justice Works' applicant pool for the 2014-16 Class has very few applicants with TAJF grantees as the host organization. Additionally, all current applicants are clustered in one part of the state. While TAJF has made no decision regarding any current applicant, it is rare that we fund multiple fellows in a city. We have asked EJW to re-open the application to expand and diversify the pool. Again, the quality of the current candidates has not yet been reviewed or judged – this decision is about the overall pool. All applicants will be carefully reviewed and considered for pending slots.

Equal Justice Works is re-opening the competition exclusively for TAJF grantees, and we strongly encourage you to consider applying. The new deadline for Fellowship applications is **December 1, 2013 at 5:00 p.m. EDT**. You can find more information on the program and the application below. Should you have any questions, please contact Sarah Snik at ssnik@equaljusticeworks.org or (202) 466-3686, ext 107.

If you would like to see the types of projects that TAJF-funded EJW fellows have undertaken in the past, please take a look at [TAJF EJW Fellows Booklet](#). If you would like to speak with TAJF staff about the project, contact Lisa Melton at LDMelton@teajf.org or (512) 320-0099, ext. 330.

Each year the Equal Justice Works fellowship competition selects qualified and passionate lawyers who have developed new and innovative legal projects that can impact lives and serve communities in desperate need of legal assistance. Depending on funding, Equal Justice Works is able to provide between 45-55 two-year fellowships annually. Fellows receive a competitive salary, generous loan repayment assistance, connections to their prominent sponsors, participation in trainings, and additional support during their two-year tenure.

Click here to:

- [Download the application guide](#)
- [Apply to the program](#)

Please share this e-mail widely! We look forward to a creative project from your program that sets an attorney on a career path in legal services.

Sincerely,

Betty Balli Torres
Executive Director