

BE THE CHANGE YOU WISH TO SEE IN THE WORLD” GHANDI

THE FREE LEGAL AID CLINIC (FLAC) in partnership with Lakeshore Legal Aid works to provide legal aid to people in poverty in Wayne County. FLAC is the only student run legal aid program in the country. FLAC students, under attorney supervision, interview clients, draft pleadings and appear in Court. FLAC provides a unique opportunity for students to learn while helping the needy in our community obtain access to justice. For example, over the summer a FLAC student helped an elderly battered woman, whose husband had recently broken her arm, get a divorce and find safe housing away from her abuser.

Since March 2008, the FLAC in partnership with Lakeshore has helped 705 clients in poverty in the Detroit area.



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“THERE IS NO CLASS OFFERED
THAT EXPLAINS THAT A BAD DAY
CAN TURN INTO A GOOD ONE
WHEN YOU REALIZE THAT
GETTING A STRUGGLING SINGLE
MOTHER GOVERNMENT AID CAN
DETERMINE IF SHE EATS THAT
DAY.

I DON'T THINK ANY PROFESSOR
EVER MENTIONED HOW A SINGLE
CLIENT SMILE CAN MAKE YOUR
DAY.

AND I DEFINITELY DON'T
REMEMBER LEARNING THAT THE
LONG HOURS, HARD WORK AND
THE STRESS CAN BE MADE
WORTH IT WHEN A CLIENT
SIMPLY SAYS “THANK YOU”

REFLECTION OF FIRST YEAR LAW STUDENT
MICHAEL KWARCINSKI ABOUT HIS FIRST SUMMER
AT THE FREE LEGAL AID CLINIC

