

SUMMER 2021

# SUMMER SUN, AND NEW STAFF FUN AT LAW!



The official Legal Aid Works® E-Newsletter



## LEGAL AID WORKS®

LAW champions fairness by advocating for those with the least access to the civil justice system.



### CLIENT CORNER:

After an abusive relationship, “Laura” obtained a two-year protective order against her abuser, “Donald”, in 2017. In 2019, she had received subtle communications from the abuser, indicating that he was waiting for the expiration of the protective order, implying that he would resume the abuse when she no longer was protected by the protective order. During those two years, Donald was in and out of jail, including a rape charge involving another woman. A Legal Aid Works attorney patiently assisted Laura in navigating the process for requesting an extension of the previous protective order. After numerous postponements and delays (some related to lack of service on Donald, and some related to the pandemic), the Legal Aid Works attorney was able to convince a judge in November of 2020 to extend the protective order for another year.

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SAY HELLO TO OUR...

## NEW TEAM MEMBERS:

Brian Han

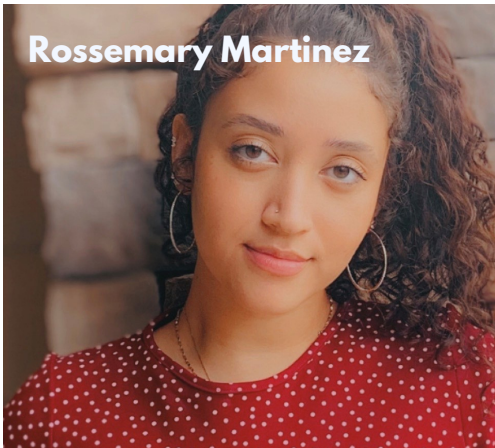


M. Estefani Loya



Brian joined Legal Aid Works as a Housing Staff Attorney in the Culpeper Office in June 2021. As a Northern Virginia native, he received his undergraduate in Government and International Relations, with a minor in Legal Studies from George Mason University in 2015, and received his Juris Doctor from Drexel University, Kline School of Law in 2019.

Rossemay Martinez



Estefani is rejoining the team at Legal Aid Works, as a Bilingual Paralegal. She is a first generation American, and her parents are Mexican. In addition to her Legal Assistant Certification from Germanna Community College, she is currently pursuing her AAS in Criminal Justice.

Rossemay is LAW's new Bilingual Housing Navigator who conducts outreach in underserved communities in the Fredericksburg region and assists tenants with completing the VA Rent Relief Program application. She attended Virginia Commonwealth University and Touro University Worldwide and received a B.S. in Psychology and a MA in Industrial and Organizational Psychology. As she is new to the Fredericksburg area, Rose is excited to learn more about the community here and to be working within the community.

SAVE-THE-DATE

Saturday,  
November  
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## Jazz 4 Justice™

Legal Aid Works® and the University of Mary Washington Jazz Ensemble present the 8th annual Jazz4Justice™ concert. Net proceeds are equally divided and donated to UMW jazz music student performers and LAW to provide:

- Scholarships for UMW students studying music. (In fact, the UMW performers include previous years' scholarship recipients.)
- Legal services for low-income area residents, ensuring equal access to justice.

To learn more about this virtual event visit [www.legalaidworks.org/jazz4justice](http://www.legalaidworks.org/jazz4justice) or contact [kvollten@legalaidworks.org](mailto:kvollten@legalaidworks.org) to become a sponsor today!

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# WHERE TO GET HELP:

[Although our offices are still closed to the public, LAW is fully operational and serving clients across our 17 counties.]

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If you need legal advice, please contact the local hotline program, Legal Services of Northern Virginia (LSNV) at **(703) 778-6800** (choose Option #1) or **(866) 534-5243** (toll free) or you can apply online at **www.lsnv.org** (click on "Intake Application")

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