

OUTSIDE ORGANIZATIONS

Description and Purpose The MSBA provides staff and other services to a variety of other organizations. This area includes revenues and expenses related to those services.

Historically, the MSBA did not use a uniform rule in deciding how much or when to charge outside organizations for the services provided. For some of the outside organizations staff time was not tracked. This approach changed in the current three-year plan and the plan adopted a philosophy that the MSBA should recoup its costs for providing services to these organizations.

Personnel There is .46 FTE staff position allocated to this program.

Lawyers Concerned for Lawyers (LCL) is a separate nonprofit organization of lawyers and others concerned about chemical dependency and mental illness in the legal profession. The MSBA exercises no direct control over LCL, and none of the LCL Board is elected or nominated by the MSBA. From 1999 through 2007 the MSBA annually contributed \$15,000 to LCL. In 2008, the MSBA's contribution was reduced to \$5,000. As part of the three-year plan the contribution was reduced to \$2,500 which is proposed for 2010-11 as well.

Loan Repayment Assistance Program of MN (LRAP) Since its inception, the MSBA has strongly supported LRAP in a variety of ways. For several years, the MSBA provided LRAP with a workstation and up to \$1,000 annually for copying, postage and telephone expenses. The proposed budget continues to offer LRAP a workstation, but reduces the subsidy for copying, postage, and telephone expenses to \$500.

Minnesota Defense Lawyer Association (MDLA) The MSBA rents MDLA a furnished office and related services for \$5,850 annually. This is the same rate charged MDLA since 2005-06.

Minnesota Intellectual Property Law Association (MIPLA) The MSBA provides administrative support for MIPLA for MIPLA dues billing, which is separate from the MSBA dues billing process, and updating of their membership directory. The proposed budget projects \$7500 from MIPLA to recover the costs of these services. Any direct expenses incurred are billed directly to MIPLA. The MSBA has no direct control over MIPLA; none of the MIPLA Board is elected or nominated by the MSBA. MIPLA does have a representative on the MSBA Assembly.

Minnesota State Bar Foundation MSBA provides staff support for the Foundation. The Foundation contracts with the MSBA for accounting services (\$9000), and for limited administrative staff assistance (\$5000). The main source of income for the Foundation comes from a \$25 check-off on the MSBA dues statement. The Foundation reimburses the MSBA for all other direct costs associated with the Foundation's activities.

Any grants which the MSBA receives from the Foundation to support MSBA programs appear as revenue in appropriate program budgets.

Minnesota Volunteer Attorney Program MVAP was formed in 1982 as a separate 501(c)(3) nonprofit to be eligible to apply for grants from the Legal Services Advisory Committee (LSAC) and, later, the Lawyers Trust Account Board (LTAB).

Because MVAP is a separate nonprofit corporation, MVAP's revenue and expenses do not appear in the MSBA's budget materials. MVAP serves as a resource for volunteer attorney coordinators and MVAP grants contribute significantly to the support of the ProJusticeMN.org website. MVAP is also referenced in the Policy budget narrative. Money from the LSAC and

LTAB grants covers a portion of the salary (\$16,000) for the Pro Bono Development Director position, which includes serving as the Executive Director of MVAP.

MVAP: Wills for Heroes: The Wills for Heroes Program became part of MVAP in April 2008, in part to allow for tax-deductible donations to Wills for Heroes. MSBA is budgeted to provide a .2 FTE staff position for the Wills for Heroes program during the 2010-11 fiscal year. The cost of these services is \$13,300.

National Asian Pacific American Bar Association – Minnesota Chapter The MSBA has agreed to provide limited administrative support to the Minnesota Chapter of NAPABA. This support is limited to maintaining the NAPABA's membership database, mailing annual dues statements, recording dues payments, and sending mailings to members. All actual expenses are be paid by NAPABA and labor is billed at \$30.00 an hour.