Lowcountry Legal Volunteers Awarded \$5000 WAHHI Grant

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A WAHHI Charitable Grant 2024 of \$5000 was awarded to the Lowcountry Legal Volunteers' "Supporting Women and Children of the Lowcountry" Program on February 27, 2024. This initiative, designed to aid families facing economic hardships and fear, reflects the commitment to providing essential assistance and protections in the Lowcountry.

Lowcountry Legal Volunteers (LCLV) has over 24 years of dedicated service to this community. It is a volunteer-based organization, backed by retired legal professionals, and has offered the equivalent of millions of dollars in free legal counsel to low-income individuals.

Led by an Executive Director and Attorneys, Bilingual Paralegal and Bilingual Legal Assistant, along with devoted volunteers, LCLV aims to educate and represent families, with a short-term goal of assisting 50 families and a long-term vision of empowering hundreds to break free from abuse and obtain child support for their children. The financial demographics of the people impacted by this project are families living at or below 150% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines.



Left to right: Erin Hall, WAHHI Communications Chair; Janet Porter, WAHHI Secretary and LCLV Board President; Anne Caywood, LCLV Executive Director; Linda Armstrong, WAHHI President-elect; and Janet Davis Brooks, WAHHI Community Outreach and Sponsosrship Chair.

WAHHI's support enables LCLV to make a lasting impact, offering safety and security to mothers and children in need, helping them move forward towards a better future.

LCLV volunteers include retired judges, lawyers, paralegals and administrative professionals. WAHHI members who fit this description can support this program by volunteering at LCLV. Please contact <u>anne@lclv.org</u> for more information.