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How to Help JFON's Ministry: Non-Lawyers Needed!

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I'm constantly amazed by the work that our JFON attorneys do for our clients. But how can I help JFON's ministry if I'm not a lawyer? Here are 10 great ideas!

- 1) **Donate!** As 2017 comes to an end, JFON starts to look to next year's funding situation. Please consider a tax deductible end of the year contribution. <https://www.jfondfw.org/donate/>
- 2) **Get your employer to donate to JFON!** A number of employer match their employee's contribution, in some cases a 2-to-1 match, tripling your donation! Contact your HR department to see what is available.
- 3) **Remember to (Amazon) Smile!** Follow this link <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/46-0609574>. Amazon will donate a portion of your purchase to JFON DFW! It's so easy!
- 4) **Give JFON an I.O.U.** - If you can't give a large donation now, why not spread it out over the course of a year? When you donate on our webpage, simply click "Make a monthly donation". This is a great benefit to JFON, since it helps us make our budget for 2018.

5) **How are your office skills?** We need non-lawyers to keep things running! Office help, data entry, filing, and answering phones. Contact our JFON office for more information!

6) **Follow us on Facebook!** Welcome to the modern age! Facebook is a great way to tell your friends about your heart for immigrants, so our organization can connect with like-minded activists.

7) **Facilitate an Immigration 101 presentation in your church.** JFON DFW has a team of presenters ready to come to your church, classroom, service organization, meeting, etc., to tell the true story of immigration in America. The program length is tailored to the needs of your group. To schedule your event, contact JFON DFW at graham@jfondfw.org

8) **Volunteer at a legal clinic or citizenship workshop** - we provide hospitality for our monthly clinics. Follow the link to sign up <https://www.jfondfw.org/volunteer/volunteer-application/>

9) **Can you change a brake light?** We've heard of other immigrant advocacy groups offering to change brake lights for free, as a way for immigrants to avoid unnecessary encounters with law enforcement. I personally cannot help with this (I've had to hire a licensed electrician when a light bulb change went bad!) Are you the handy person that can organize this ministry?

10) **Pray (and encourage others to do so)** When I feel upset by the news of the day, I pray that God will show us how to be peacemakers. When people ask if I have any prayer requests, I often ask for prayers on behalf of the people who are served by JFON.

Introducing our New Staff Attorney - Ana Laura Arellanos-Baeza

JFON DFW is fortunate to have a new staff attorney who joined us in September, since Graham Bateman has changed roles and is now our Executive Director. She works at the JFON office on the campus of First United Methodist Church in Grapevine. Please join us in welcoming her!

Ana writes...

"I am a graduate of Baylor Law School and an attorney licensed in Texas. I am also a native of Mexico who entered the United States as an Undocumented Immigrant. My family and I faced frustration and fear as we navigated the immigration process. This experience imprinted in me the desire to focus on helping the immigrant community. I attended law school with the purpose of focusing on immigration law and have worked exclusively in the non-profit sector. I am incredibly fortunate to have found my place with JFON-DFW because the work we do here is at the center of my core beliefs."

Donation Station

JFON-DFW is 501(c)3 non-profit, and we depend on our individual supporters as a source of funds to continue and EXPAND our work of compassion and justice for our immigrant neighbors. Your donation is tax-deductible and you can donate securely through our website.

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