



**COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO  
VOLUNTEER REPORT FORM  
PERIOD JULY 1, 2024 - JUNE 30, 2025  
Deadline: August 8, 2025**

**1. DEPARTMENT INFORMATION:**

Department: Public Defender  
Division/Unit: Primary Public Defender, Alternate Public Defender, Multiple Conflicts Office

**2. VOLUNTEER PROGRAM BENEFITS:**

a. GENERAL VOLUNTEERS (this section should include community volunteer, student intern, groups, corporations, etc).

No. of Vol.	135	Hours	16,382	X	\$40.14	=	\$657,573.48
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Types of work performed by GENERAL VOLUNTEERS in this category:

Investigative interns assist the investigative team with witness interviews, case preparation and mitigation information collection.

Paralegal interns assist paralegals and attorneys with legal research and writing, trial preparations and in court with arraignments.

Mitigation Interns assist by collecting and reviewing records, conducting social history and character interviews, and developing client-centered products, such as family trees and life timelines, to help tell our client's story.

Trial Support Specialist interns assist with video review/editing, transcript editing, data analysis, and trial exhibit creation.

b. INSTITUTIONAL VOLUNTEERS (this section should include honor camp inmates, PIC/RETC, GAIN, etc.)

No. of Vol.	0 0		0	X		=	\$0.00
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Types of work performed by INSTITUTIONAL VOLUNTEERS in this category:

c. SPECIALIZED VOLUNTEERS (this section should include utilization of Special Volunteers in positions requiring specific skills and/or expertise levels, for example, an attorney, physician, sports figure or celebrity). These specialized positions have verifiable compensation levels (VCL). If you have such a volunteer, please indicate the position, hours and compensation level below.)

<u>Position</u>	<u>Hours</u>	X	<u>VCL</u>	=	<u>Dollar Benefit</u>
Legal Intern (Law Clerk)	30,777		\$47.68		\$1,467,454.99

No. of Vol.	304	Total Hours	30,777	Total Value =	\$1,467,454.99
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Types of work performed by SPECIALIZED VOLUNTEERS in this category:

Legal Interns are law school students from around the country. These interns assist deputy public defenders in all aspects of indigent defense. Intern responsibilities include, but are not limited to, interviewing clients, preparing for trial, researching and writing motions and appearing in court at all stages of a criminal case under the direct representation of a deputy public defender. Legal interns also assist in arraignment court by interviewing clients and advising them of their constitutional rights.

d. TOTALS OF DEPARTMENT VOLUNTEERS (from above):

	<u>No. of Volunteers</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Dollar Benefit</u>
2a.	135	16,382	\$657,573.48
2b.	0	0	\$0.00
2c.	304	30,777	\$1,467,454.99

Total Vol.	439	Hours	47,159	Total Value =	\$2,125,028.47
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### 3. DONATIONS TO VOLUNTEER PROGRAM:

Please list all donations to the department's Volunteer program including monetary donations and tangible/intangible items. Items such as computers, air time, transportation, books, etc. Please assign a fair market value to each and add to the total value of the donations section.

Item Donated: None	Value: \$0.00
Item Donated: _____	Value: _____
Item Donated: _____	Value: _____
Item Donated: _____	Value: _____
Item Donated: _____	Value: _____

TOTAL VALUE =	\$0.00
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### 4. VOLUNTEER PROGRAM COSTS:

a. Cost of supervision of volunteers (total hours of direct supervision multiplied by the hourly rate of staff person (s) directly supervising program volunteers.)

Hours	4,897	X	Rate	\$122.10	=	\$597,923.70
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b. Cost of program coordination (total hours of program coordination multiplied the hourly rate of coordinator(s)). This section should include coordination of staff, compiling statistics, job description preparation, volunteer placement, recognition, etc.)

Hours	1327	X	Rate	\$189.46	=	\$251,413.42
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c. Other program costs (volunteer training materials/supplies, recognition costs, etc.):

<u>Item</u>	<u>Cost</u>
None	
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_____	_____

TOTAL OF OTHER PROGRAM COSTS	=	\$0.00
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d. TOTAL OF VOLUNTEER PROGRAM COST	=	\$849,337.12
(add 4a, 4b, and 4c)		

**5. NET BENEFIT TO DEPARTMENT FROM VOLUNTEER PROGRAM:**

a. Total Dollar Benefits of Volunteers, Item 2d (Page 2)	<u>\$2,125,028.47</u>
b. Total of Donations to Volunteer Program, Item 3 (Page 2)	<u>\$0.00</u>
c. Subtract Total of Program Costs, Item 4d (Page 3)	<u>\$849,337.12</u>

**TOTAL PROGRAM BENEFIT**

**\$1,275,691.35**

**6. RECRUITING:**

Please describe your recruiting programs:

Our recruiting program includes conducting on-campus interviews at local law schools and selected others; attending legal consortiums and interviews programs to make personal contact with students from as many law schools as possible; listing our programs with as many law school career service departments as possible for maximum exposure; contacting minority group and law student associations to highlight our programs. Our office also donates time to events such as career fairs, moot court competitions and other law school competitions.

**7. SPECIAL VOLUNTEER PROGRAM ACTIVITIES/ACHIEVEMENTS:**

Please describe any special activities and/or achievements your program was involved in during the period of this report:

Interns are invited and encouraged to attend weekly trainings on a variety of topics relevant to indigent defense. Investigative interns are also provided specialized trainings that are unique to their internships.

**8. VOLUNTEER PROGRAM GOALS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024-25:**

Please describe your program goals. Include activities, number of volunteers, recruitment, training, recognition and other goals:

1. Actively seek highly qualified candidates by reaching out to schools outside of San Diego County.
2. Increase visibility with local schools by participating in panels, career fairs, and various events.
3. Develop a program that recognizes more volunteers throughout the year.
4. Research possible sources of donations to our program.
5. Locate and contact more student groups about our programs.
6. Work with our Diversity & Inclusion Advisory Panel, Recruitment & Membership Coordinator, and affinity groups at law schools to continue to increase the diversity of our intern population.

**9. GENERAL INFORMATION:**

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**10. DEPARTMENT CERTIFICATION:**

  
DEPARTMENT HEAD SIGNATURE

8.15.25  
DATE