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Three hundred fifth-graders from around the state will attend the *We the People* Elementary Showcase on May 19. Almost 30 judges are needed from 10:30 am-2:15 pm at the Westin Hotel in downtown Indianapolis. No experience is necessary, and training will be provided on site. To sign up, please register [here](#). Contact Collin Gruver at cgruver@inbf.org or

***We the People* Nationals Results**

The Foundation is excited to announce that both Indiana teams placed in the top five out of 56 teams at *We the People* Nationals in Washington, D.C. this week. Cathedral High School finished third and Plainfield High School finished fourth in the nation.

This is an incredible accomplishment, and it demonstrates the amazing talent in our state from our students to our teachers as well as our supporters and volunteers. Thank you to the Indiana State Bar Association Sections and all the individual donors who helped make this incredible experience possible for these students.

Community Redevelopment Justice Grants Announced

The board of directors approved almost \$700,000 in grants to civil legal aid nonprofits in Indiana. A list of the 10 grant recipients can be found [here](#). "This is the second year in which the Foundation has awarded almost \$1.5 million in grants for civil legal aid with its community redevelopment justice and IOLTA grants," said the Hon. Melissa May, Foundation board member and grants committee chair.

(317) 608-6503 for more information.

Legendary Lawyer Nominations

Know a lawyer who has been practicing 50 years and made an impact on the community and the legal profession? Is that lawyer a Fellow? Nominate him or her for the Legendary Lawyer Award. Read the guidelines [here](#).

These grants for civil justice programs expand the free legal services available to Hoosiers and strengthen the infrastructure that delivers vital legal support when Hoosiers' basic human needs are at risk and they cannot afford a lawyer.

Award for Outstanding Civil Justice Work



The Foundation is pleased to report that **Ruth de Wit**, Executive Director of the Volunteer Lawyer Program of Northeast Indiana, will be receiving an award for her pro bono district's outstanding work in the U.S.

Bankruptcy Courts of Indiana. The award will be presented on Monday,

May 1, 2017 in conjunction with the Seventh Circuit Bar Association's 66th Annual Meeting at the J.W. Marriott in Indianapolis.

Your Values: Realized

What values and qualities of the legal profession do you want to see preserved? How do you want to see the profession thrive in the future? You can make those values and goals a reality with an endowment at the Foundation. Deferred giving is an option through a designation in your will, life insurance or retirement fund, or consider a donation of cash, equities or property. [Contact the Foundation](#) for a confidential conversation about the details.

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