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**NEW YORK BAR FOUNDATION PRESENTS GRANT TO
BROOKLYN BAR ASSOCIATION VOLUNTEER LAWYERS PROJECT, INC.**



Photo caption: Foundation Board member Martin Minkowitz (center) presents a grant check to representatives of the Brooklyn Bar Association Volunteer Lawyers Project, Inc. Left to right are Edward Mostoller, Staff Attorney, Natalie Suna, Pro Bono Coordinator, Minkowitz, Heidi Henderson, Executive Director, and Christopher Mamone, Staff Attorney.

The New York Bar Foundation recently presented a grant of \$8,100 to The Brooklyn Bar Association Volunteer Lawyers Project, Inc., Brooklyn, NY. The grant will be used to support their The VLP Foreclosure Intervention Project.

“Foreclosure continues to devastate families and neighborhoods throughout Brooklyn, particularly low-income communities and communities of color,” states executive director, Heidi Henderson. “Due to gentrification and increasing home values, many Brooklyn homeowners are targeted for mortgage scams and deed theft, further placing homeowners at risk of foreclosure. Homeowners are more likely to prevail on their foreclosure matters when they have legal representation. With the support of The New York Bar Foundation, the Brooklyn Bar Association Volunteer Lawyers Project's foreclosure intervention program can continue to provide critical legal information and representation to Brooklyn homeowners, helping Brooklyn residents to stay in their homes and helping to stabilize communities.”

In early 2016, The New York Bar Foundation allocated over \$580,000 in grants to 99 programs across New York State. Each of the 13 Judicial Districts received at least one grant. These grants assist in:

- Increasing public understanding of the law
- Improving the justice system and the law
- Facilitating the delivery of legal services
- Enhancing professional competence and ethics

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