## **ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE GRANT PROGRAM**

## **Grant Purpose**

NC IOLTA's Administration of Justice Grants provide support for programs seeking to improve the administration of justice in North Carolina.

## **Areas of Funding**

A goal of NC IOLTA is to focus grants in areas where they can have a measurable impact. Therefore, IOLTA grants for improvements in the administration of justice are made in the areas outlined below with emphasis on how the justice system can operate more effectively and expeditiously. <u>Administration of Justice Grants must initially be approved by the NC Supreme</u> <u>Court.</u>

- Improvement in the operation and management of the justice system;
- Public education and understanding about the law, including law-related education;
- Promotion and support for a full range of dispute resolution techniques and alternatives;
- Promotion and support for public interest legal representation.

NC IOLTA reserves the right to consider or seek out projects in these or other subject areas related to improving the administration of justice in North Carolina.

## **Funding Criteria**

Preference will generally be given to:

- Applicants seeking start-up funds or seed money for new projects or programs;
- Programs with demonstration value or replication potential;
- Programs that will have statewide significance; and/or
- Requests for matching funds.

Administration of Justice Grants typically do not fund:

- direct service programs (e.g. counseling);
- replicas of established programs;
- local community groups unrelated to the practice of law;
- programs (or budget items) for which there is a governmental responsibility to provide funding; and
- continuing program support for local projects.