



**SEATTLE
UNIVERSITY
SCHOOL OF
LAW
STUDENT BAR
ASSOCIATION
2023-2024
ANNUAL
REPORT**

A WORD FROM THE SBA EBOARD:

DEAR STUDENTS:

We are privileged to have served as your Student Bar Association leaders over the past year. This report highlights the work we are most proud of, but we would be remiss if we did not acknowledge the challenges we faced this year that forced us to grow in these roles. We thank you for your grace, encouragement, advocacy, and the honor to serve you this year. You all inspired us to fight harder, dream bigger, grow stronger, and serve with gratitude as we sought to make Seattle University School of Law a better school and stronger community where we can all grow as students, future attorneys, and people.

While some of our time as student leaders is coming to an end, we recognize that the vital work of bettering Seattle U School of Law is ongoing and does not end with us. We encourage you all to continue speaking out, lobbying your SBA representatives, and collaborating with one another to advocate for a better and brighter future not only for yourselves but for all law students to come.

Seattle U is so lucky to have such passionate students and future attorneys—continue to make your voices heard.



Left to Right: Brendan O'Neill, Bharatee Preeya Annadurai Kavitha, Erin C. Speed, & Tony Vo (SBA Advisor)

Yours In Service,

Erin C. Speed

Brendan J. O'Neill

*Bharatee Preeya
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SBA CAMPUS WIDE WINS

SPRING AND SUMMER 2023

- Hosted the SBA Spring 2023 Town Hall featuring the SBA E-Board, Dean Varona, and many other Deans
- Coordinated improvements to the Certified Student Organization Room
- Hosted the first ever Summer Social for new 1Ls and summer students
- Organized the welcome social for 1L students at the end of orientation

FALL 2023

- Organized the student organization fair at the beginning of the academic year
- Worked with SU Law Admin to ensure law students have access to the main campus emergency fund when facing unexpected financial challenges
- Worked with the Associate Dean of Finance & Administration to create a system for students to refill print balances online
- Continued our highly successful SBA Headshot Day to provide students professional headshots before summer job application season
- Welcomed the student body to participate on SBA Committees such as the Student Faculty Hiring Committee, Student Activities Committee and Wellness Committee
- Began advocating for increased casebook offerings in the Law Library

SPRING 2024

- Successfully advocated for & then partnered with the Dean Suite to install new Hydration Stations at all water fountains in Sullivan Hall to provide students with increased ability to refill reusable water bottles
- Worked with Associate Dean for Experiential Learning and Externships Director to make improvements to the Externship program, including website changes to make it easier for students to apply to externship sites
- Partnered with Tacoma-Pierce County Bar Association to host a happy hour for students and begin working to have a liaison with TPCBA on the SBA Council

EXECUTIVE BOARD

PRESIDENT

- Planned the SBA portions of Fall Orientation, with the Exec. Board, to include the Way to get Involved presentation, Campus Scavenger Hunt & Welcome Back Mixer
- Advocated on behalf of the student body for the Administration to prioritize their commitment to ending conditional scholarships
- Lobbied the Dean's Suite for institutional support for marginalized student groups both inside Sullivan Hall and beyond
- Lobbied the Dean's Suite for the formation of a task force to search for ways to improve student safety in Sullivan Hall
- Worked with the Presidential Advisor for International and Immigrant Students to create a new representative position on the Council for LLM and International Students

VICE PRESIDENT

- Served as the Chair of the SBA Budget Committee and the Student Representative for the Law School Budget Committee. Continued advocating for the removal of Conditional Scholarships.
- Approved the creation of six new Certified Student Organizations: the Advocacy Training Society, All Mixed-Up Law Caucus, Filipino Law Student Association, International & Immigrant Student Association, Korean Law Student Association, and the SU Federal Bar Association.
- Edited the CSO Handbook to clarify specific procedures and worked with the Student Business Office to improve the way we process funding requests.
- Changed the Spring CSO Leaders Meeting into a celebration rather than an informative lecture.
- Improved the quality of life for CSOs by creating a weekly events calendar, adding new signage and drawers to the Org Room, and putting the CSO leaders' contact info on the university website.
- Held weekly office hours to meet with students to ensure their concerns are being addressed.

TREASURER

- Having the Highest number of active CSO's in any SBA's year, encouraged each of the CSO's utilizing their allotment. Tried to connect with each CSO's treasurer and aid them with managing their Budget.
- Sped up the process of approval of any requests from the CSO's end and worked on corrections in the Submission forms.
- Reduced bureaucracy for allotment approval by allowing allotment to be approved in any SBA form and without Budget Committee approval
- Worked on the Dean's funding options available for the CSO's to explore and aided CSO's with their approval for conferences and competition.
- Increased the budget for the FLEX rep position and also reworked budgeting of each line items.

PAID AND APPOINTED POSITIONS

PARLIAMENTARIAN

- Honorably chaired the Constitution and Bylaws Committee
- Passed an amendment to allow the Constitution and Bylaws Committee to correct scrivener's errors in the bylaws
- Began reformatting the SBA Bylaws to make them easier for all students to read and understand
- Began drafting constitutional amendments to improve the Student Bar Association

SECRETARY

- Gracefully recorded SBA Council Meeting minutes to permit Council to reflect on past meetings to ensure continuity of commitment from meeting to meeting
- Assisted the Executive Board in coordinating meetings and events for the SBA Council
- Coordinated sign-ups for the Annual SBA Headshot Day
- Led the organizing and distributing the SBA Finals Week Snacks during the Spring & Fall

COMMUNICATIONS DIRECTOR

- Managed all forms of social media and communications for the SBA, including publishing a biweekly newsletter, drafting a public statement on behalf of SBA, and assisting with the promotion of all SBA events
- Created a LinkedIn page for the Student Bar Association to stay informed on SBA Events and highlight their accomplishments to employers
- Served as a direct line of communication between students and the SBA, including disseminating announcements on social media regarding campus safety & the campus climate initiative

PRESIDENTIAL ADVISORS

The SBA President reserves the right to appoint non-voting advisors to assist in the execution of their official duties, provide insight into the needs of different student groups, and coordinate SBA activities. This year, the President appointed two advisors to provide insight on matters facing international and immigrant students and parent students.

PRESIDENTIAL ADVISOR FOR INTERNATIONAL AND IMMIGRANT STUDENTS

- Advised the SBA President on issues facing international and immigrant students on campus
- Organized and hosted the first International Student Gathering to provide space for international students to meet one another and foster community on campus
- Worked with the SBA President to create a new position on the Legislative Council to ensure LLM and International students have an elected representative on the SBA Council

PRESIDENTIAL ADVISOR FOR PARENT STUDENTS

- Advised the SBA President on issues facing parent students on campus
- Connected with prospective parent students to help them understand how to navigate resources on campus
- Advertised a clothing swap on campus for parent students to exchange gently used clothing items

REPRESENTATIVES

ACADEMIC STANDARDS REP

- Attended Faculty and Curriculum & Pedagogy meetings as the student body representative
- Supported students by engaging in discussions regarding grades, absences, withdrawals, probation, and re-admissions, ensuring that students are centered in decisions
- Advocated for students by engaging in discussion regarding changes to the first-year curriculum
- Developed relationships with Faculty in order to streamline the process of raising new suggestions or concerns with Curriculum & Pedagogy Committee

ALUMNI REP

- Attended the Law Advisory Board meetings throughout the school year
- Hosted regular Coffee with Counsel sessions to introduce students to SU alumni, providing networking opportunities and insight into life after law school
- Fostered relationships with alumni to better connect law students with practicing attorneys

DISABILITY REP

- Served as a resource for all students with disabilities through providing time to meet with students, through positive fierce advocacy, and through creative partnerships with the Disability Justice Collective & the Associate Dean of Student Development

DIVERSITY REP

- Led SBA Diversity Week by coordinating with student org leaders and promoting diverse CSOs, in partnership with ATJI
- Honorably Chaired the Equity & Inclusion Committee, raising concerns from diverse student groups and working with the SBA and Administration to meet the needs of minority student groups
- Developed Heritage Month displays in collaboration with affinity CSOs to highlight the diverse heritage of the SU Law student body

REPRESENTATIVES

EVENING/PART TIME STUDENT REP

- Served as a resource for all part-time/evening students through providing time to meet with students and positive fierce advocacy.
- Acted as the final representative in this role, and ensured there was a smooth transition from the Evening/Part-Time program to the Flex program.

FACULTY STANDARDS REP

- Honorably chaired the Student Faculty Hiring Committee.
- Assisted with the hiring of three new faculty positions.
- Developed and updated bylaws for the Student Faculty Hiring Committee.
- Revised the position description for greater accuracy and clarity on functions.
- Worked with Vice Dean Coleman to streamline and address how students concerns about faculty members are handled.

FLEX JD STUDENT REP

- Acted as a strong advocate for Flex students by ensuring that all events are Flex-Friendly.
- Helped advertise and plan the Flex Student Org Fair, a Pop-Up Shop with CPD, and other SBA events such as the 2L/3L parties.
- Advocated for the administration to be mindful of cultural holidays, such as Lunar New Year, when planning Flex Weekends.
- Set to plan a FLEX social in April 2024 at The Chieftain.

GRADUATE STUDENT COUNCIL REP

- Sat as the representative for the law school on the Graduate Student Counsel, advocating for greater exposure of university resources for law students
- Hosted events with GSC to foster collaboration and build community between the graduate students of Seattle University.

REPRESENTATIVES

PUBLIC INTEREST REP

- Facilitated clinics, in collaboration with the Access to Justice Institute, for students to engage in public interest pro bono legal services like the Microsoft Vacating Conviction Clinic, the OneAmerican Immigration Clinic, the KCBA Housing Justice Clinic, and the Swinomish Legal Clinic.
- Planned and organized the annual Pro Bono Week, which encourages students to involve themselves in careers related to public interest.

STUDENT ACTIVITIES REP

- Formed and honorably chaired the Student Activities Committee
- Planned the annual Welcome Back Mixer to welcome incoming 1Ls & introduce them to Student Life
- Planned and hosted the largest 3L 100 Days Night since COVID-19
- Planned the annual Barrister's Ball at the Museum of Pop Culture
- Organized the school's first-ever Summer Social for new 1Ls and summer students
- Planned various other events to provide opportunities for the student body to celebrate and socialize, including the SBA Halloween Party, 2L Over the Hump Party, and annual Christmas Tree Decorating

STUDENT SERVICES REP

- Presented and shared resources with 1Ls during their orientation in August, including wellness related resources like TimelyCare, the Wellness Room, and UREC.
- Planned and organized many community-building events such as the Student Services Fair and Trick-or-Treat with Student Services and the resource fair at the beginning of the academic year.
- Assisted the Wellness Group by managing their social media and organizing Yoga with Professor Russo. Supported refilling snacks and beverages during Ramadan.

TRANSFER AND VISITING STUDENT REP

- Served as a liaison between Seattle U Law and all transfer and visiting students
- Planned and executed a Transfer and Visiting Student Orientation, which included school tours, reviewing student resources, and meetings with various Deans and staff members to establish connections.
- Maintained open communication with all transfer students to ensure they had someone to contact with any concerns or questions.

BAR ASSOCIATION REPRESENTATIVES

ABA LAW STUDENT DIVISION REP

- Represented Seattle U School of Law at the ABA summer mandatory session for all SBA ABA Reps
- Promoted ABA content by creating a Social Media page on Instagram and tabling it on campus.
- Assisted with hosting various ABA-sponsored events on campus.

KCBA NEW LAWYERS DIVISION REP

- Represented Seattle U School of Law SBA by serving on the King County Bar Association New Lawyers Division Board at their monthly meetings
- Encouraged and promoted networking opportunities for students through the following events: Bowling Night at Garage, Back to School Happy Hour at the Chieftain, Seattle Ghost Tour, Trivia Night at Ozzie's, Lunches at Law Schools, Spring Soiree, and Breakfast of Champions.
- Served as the KCBA NLD's primary contact on campus, including: tabling for all student org fairs, promoting student membership with the NLD, answering all questions related to the NLD, and encouraging student attendance at local NLD related activities.
- Hosted a panel discussion with KCBA titled "Launching Your Legal Career"

WSBA YOUNG LAWYERS DIVISION REP

- Represented Seattle U School of Law SBA by serving on the Washington State Bar Association Young Lawyers Division board.
- Promoted WSBA events and networking opportunities through social media graphics posted on the SBA Instagram pages.

1L SECTION REPRESENTATIVES

SECTION A & B REP

- Hosted multiple social events to build community among the 1L class, including Hang Out at the Chieftain, Friendsgiving with professors and students, and a Combined Section Social.
- Utilized various tools to keep their sections informed of key issues and events, including Outlook groups and SurveyMonkey
- Advocated for students in their sections by raising their issues at biweekly SBA meetings.

FLEX JD SECTION REP

- Conducted a poll of Flex 1Ls and 3Ls to gather their opinions on when Flex weekends should occur and whether Barrister's Ball should be on a Flex weekend.
- Hosted a virtual town hall with all Flex students to create an open space to discuss any concerns or suggestions for how the law school could better support its Flex students.
- Advocated for all Flex students by providing the insight shared in polls and town hall with SBA Leadership, who addressed those concerns with the Deans.

SBA HOSTED EVENTS

SBA has hosted a number of events that provide opportunities for professional growth, socializing, and celebration. SBA's largest event, and largest budget line-item, is the Barristers Ball. Many of SBA's events were planned by SBA's Student Activities Representative.

Invitation Into Student Life

SBA has hosted a number of events that encourage student engagement, teach students about student life, and invite them to engage with school leadership.

- New Student Orientation Activities
- Welcome Back Mixer
- Student Org Fairs
- SBA Town Hall

Diversity Week

Funded by SBA, coordinated by SBA's Diversity Representative, and executed in partnership with many CSOs, Diversity Week provides space for underrepresented communities to come together and highlights legal issues impacting underserved communities and highlight contributions of activists and scholars from underserved groups. Peoples from various ethnicities, races, abilities, and sexual orientations are featured in these events.

- Asian Law Students Association Karaoke Night
- Social Justice Monday: Seattle Youth Traffic Court
- Coffee with Counsel featuring Alumna Beverly Tsai '19
- International Cultural Gathering with International Law Society and the International & Immigrant Student Association

SBA HOSTED EVENTS

Diversity Week (continued)

- “Crip Camp: A Disability Revolution” Screening & Discussion with Disability Justice Collective
- Federal Judicial Externships: Behind the Bench
- Tu B’Shvat: Bites and Insights with Jewish Law Student Association
- A Conversation with Judge Fa’amomoi Masaniai with Pacific Islander Association
- Latin Bollywood Dance with Latinx Law Student Association and Middle Eastern/South Asian Law Association

The Barristers Ball

SBA's largest event, the Barristers Ball, was held on March 23rd, 2024, at the Museum of Pop Culture. SBA sold over 375 tickets to the event. The event was planned by the SBA Student Activities Representative and Student Activities Committee and had the support of SBA members and 10 volunteer sober buddies.

The event featured open exhibits, hors d'oeuvres, a staffed photo booth, and a live DJ performing in the MoPop Sky Church.

Kudos to the Committee for a great event!



SBA HOSTED EVENTS

Professional Development & Support

SBA supported additional events to support student networking and job preparation.

- Free Professional Headshots Day
- Coffee with Counsel Mixers (planned by SBA's Alumni Representative).
- Notary Tabling for Bar Applicants

Class Events & Socializing

SBA funds each 1L section to put on one social event per academic year, planned by the 1L Section Representatives, as well as the 2L and 3L class parties planned by the Student Activities Representative, among other events that promote a fun, social campus environment.

- Summer Ice Cream Social
- Halloween Party
- 1L Section Mixer (*Section A + B*)
- 2L Over the Hump Party
- 3L 100 Days Night (*largest 3L event since COVID-19!*)
- Annual Christmas Tree Lighting
- FLEX Social (April 2024)

Public Interest

Spearheaded by SBA's Public Interest Representative, Pro Bono Week includes events promoting public interest-related volunteer work during and after law school, helping nonprofit and public interest organizations and low-income individuals in need of legal counsel.

SBA SUPPORTED CSO EVENTS

SBA's Budget is Built to Support a Vibrant Student Life

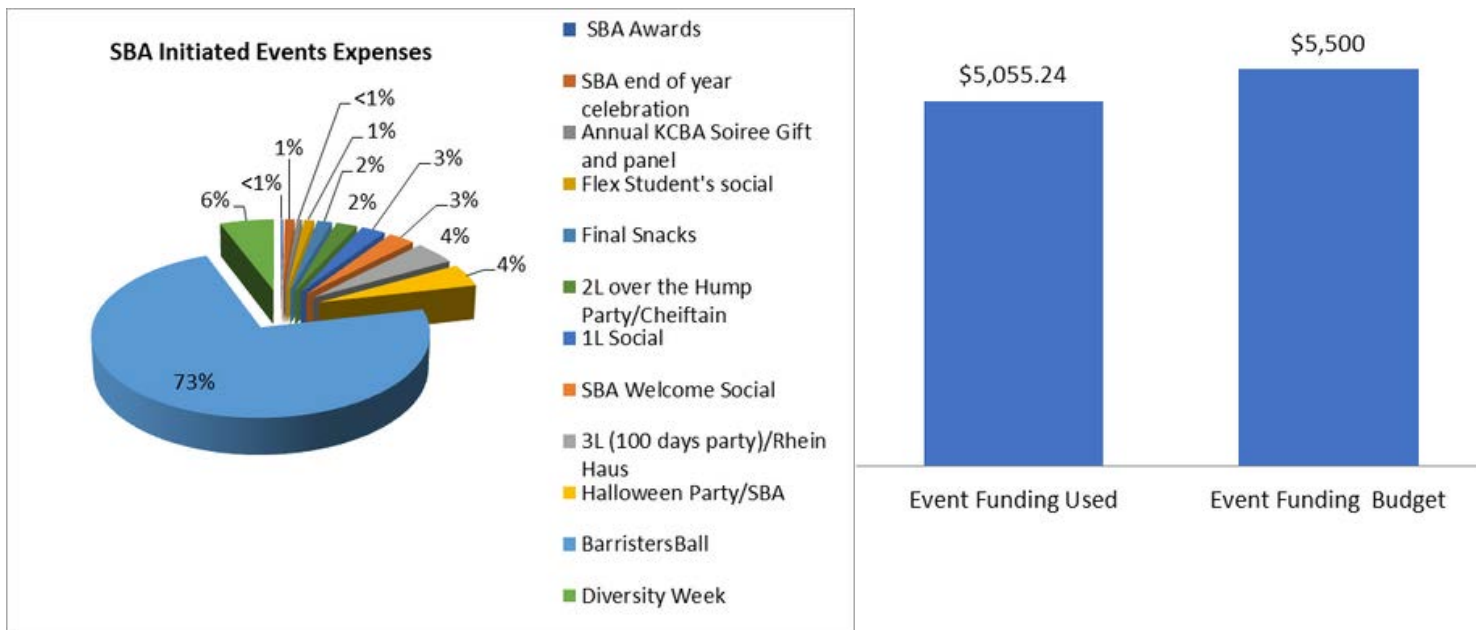
SBA Administration costs include leadership and student staff wages/scholarships, ConnectSU service charges, and other items necessary for SBA to facilitate student life at the law school.

CSO Support expenses include allotment funds and event funding.

SBA Events & Initiatives include its Barrister's Ball, Diversity week, Annual Christmas Tree Lightning, Halloween Party, SBA Welcome Social, 1L Socials, 2L Over the Hump Party, 3L 100 days party, Pro Bono Week, Finals snacks and more.

Shout out to SBA members who actively worked on increasing the budget for various line items including the Flex Students budget, Final Snacks Budget, and also for other 1L Socials, 2L Over the Hump Party, and the 3L 100 days party.

SBA has spent around \$27,111 for their Annual Barrister's Ball which is 73% of the expenses of the SBA initiatives and events line- item.

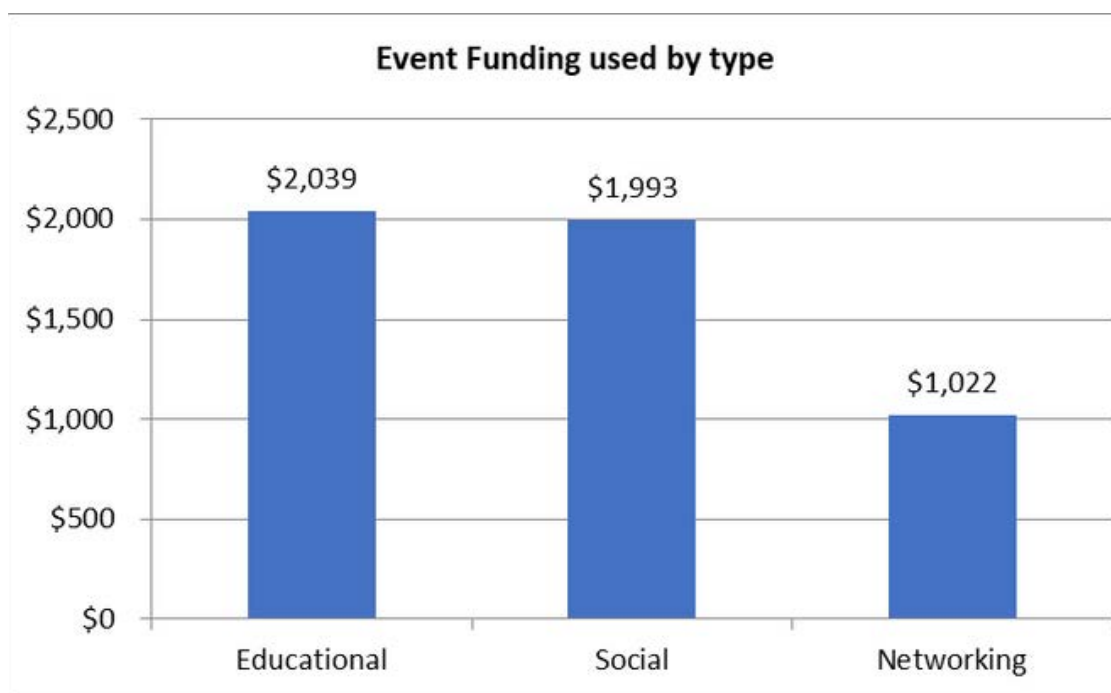


SBA SUPPORTED CSO EVENTS

The SBA Event Funds

SBA administers an Event Fund that supports a vibrant student life by offering grant funds to student organizations putting on events that are open to the general student body and positively impact student life.

Over the past year, SBA has funded 14 **events*** from its Event Fund, and an additional 6 associated with the SBA-sponsored Diversity Week. Further more SBA had hosted multiple events and taken various initiatives for the betterment of the student community.



Does **not include events funded through SBA allotment (\$500 for each CSO per academic year).*

SBA SUPPORTED CSO EVENTS

The SBA Event Funds: Criteria & Process

Certified Student Organizations (CSOs) can apply for SBA grants to support events that are open to the general student body. The SBA Budget Committee assesses these requests based on a number of factors required by SBA's Bylaws.

Main Factors

1. Student Participation - How many students can an event accommodate?
2. Local exposure for the law school - is the event notable within SU's local context?
3. National exposure for the law school - will the event generate national interest?
4. Uniqueness - Is the event unique, offering something new to student life?
5. Likelihood of success - based on event interest or the CSO's track record, will it be successful?
6. Number of funds already received - has the CSO already received SBA support?

Other Factors

1. How much private funds does the CSO have in its account? Could it cover part of the cost on its own?
2. Does the CSO have allotment unused and unplanned for that could be used instead?
3. Has the student organization followed the rules of SBA and the School of Law in the past?
4. Is the CSO new? If so, SBA will likely show it more love than otherwise.
5. Can the organization fundraise to cover its costs?

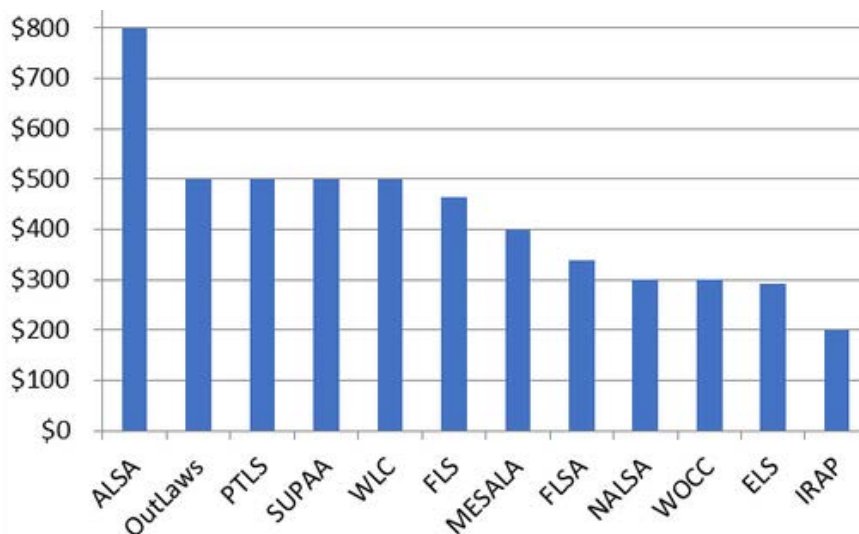


SBA SUPPORTED CSO EVENTS

The SBA Event Funds: Biggest Awardees & Events

1. Asian Law Student Association (**ALSA**)- Karaoke Night
2. Middle Eastern/South Asian Law Association (**MESALA**)- Diwali Dinner
3. **Outlaws** and Non-Binary, Gender Non-Conforming & Allies Student Association (**NGNCA**)- LGBTQ Panel and Mixer
4. Family Law Society (**FLS**), Womxn of Color Coalition (**WOCC**), Environmental Law Society (**ELS**)- Halloween Pumpkin Carving Event
5. Asian Law Student Association (**ALSA**), Filipino Law Student Association (**FLSA**)- Kahoot Game Day (Joint Study Event)
6. Seattle University Post-Conviction Appellate Alliance (**SUPAA**): Washington Innocence Project Pro-Bono Clinic
7. Womxn of Color Coalition (**WOCC**)-Dinner With Our Sistas
8. Property and Tax Law Society (**PTLS**)- Tax LLM Info Panel
9. Womxn Law Caucus (**WLC**)- WLC's Networking Night
10. International Refugee Assistance Project (**IRAP**)- Valentines for Palestine Event
11. Family Law Society (**FLS**)- Fall Networking and Spring Speed Networking Event
12. Native American Law Student Association (**NALSA**)- Indigenous People's Day Event

Note: Many CSOs were able to use their SBA allotment alone to fund their events. Allotment usage is not included in the numbers below.



SBA SUPPORTED CSO EVENTS

The SBA Allotment

The SBA allotment is a funding source that provides Certified Student Organizations (CSOs) with **\$500 per academic year (\$250 per semester)** to spend on events, materials, supplies, marketing services, printing, and other CSO-related costs. These funds are generally approved by SBA with minimal SBA modification or intervention.

The SBA allotment budget line item is budgeted based on projected spend. This year Graduation Ceremonies are being funded by the Associate Dean of Student Life, Diversity & Inclusion, thus freeing up allotment funds for the CSOs to use on their events, spending on supplies, and conferences.

More than 30 CSOs out of 46 active CSOs have used **any** of their SBA allotment. It remains a top SBA priority to increase awareness about how to use allotments to pay for events and supplies, and how to harness allotments to support fundraising initiatives.

**All allotments approvals must be compliant with SBA and School of Law financial policies as well as availability of funds within the SBA annual budget. Subject to these constraints, allotments are not guaranteed by SBA.*

SBA AND CSO AWARDS

The SBA Student Service Award

The SBA Student Service Award is given “in honor and with deep appreciation of [a student’s] devoted and valuable service given to the SBA.” This year’s award was presented to Meralina Morales for three dedicated years of service as the Public Interest Representative. Meralina has passionately served students for the past three years and has been instrumental in planning three Pro Bono Weeks. Thank you, Meralina for being a fierce advocate and valued member of the SBA Council!



The SBA President’s Service Award

The SBA President’s Service Award “was created to acknowledge those individuals who have encouraged, supported, and inspired the SBA President throughout the past year.” This year’s award was presented to Catherine Mitri for her service as the Presidential Advisor for International and Immigrant Students. Catherine worked tirelessly this year to advocate for SU’s International students, and we were so privileged to have her voice on Council. Thank you, Catherine, for all your work this year!

SBA AND CSO AWARDS

The Commitment to Community Award

The Commitment to Community Award is presented to a CSO that has shown exceptional dedication to the SU Law community. This year's award was presented to the Asian Law Students Association. ALSA has organized countless events to serve and grow the SU Law community. Elen Pham, President, accepted the award on behalf of ALSA. Thank you, ALSA, for all you've done to foster community within SU Law!



The Activism Award

The Activism Award is presented to a student leader who has worked to advocate for change at SU and in the legal community. This year's award was presented to Disability Justice Collective Founder and President, Haley Miller. Haley has worked tirelessly for all students to make SU Law and the legal community more inclusive and accepting. Thank you, Haley, for serving SU Law's students and the legal community!

SBA AND CSO AWARDS

The Most Impactful Programming Award

The Most Impactful Programming Award is presented to a CSO that has shown exceptional dedication to the SU Law community. This year's award was presented to the American Constitution Society. ACS has put on countless events to analyze ongoing legal issues and Supreme Court decisions. Jenelle Carlin, President, accepted the award on behalf of ACS. Thank you, ACS, for all you've done to push the legal community forward!



The Branching Out Award

The Branching Out Award is presented to a student leader who has gone above and beyond to collaborate and work with other student organizations. This year's recipient demonstrated ways of working together to find common ground and where different legal paths intersect. This year's award was presented to International Law Society Co-President, Tyler Beckum. Thank you, Tyler, for branching out and collaborating with CSOs!

SBA AND CSO AWARDS

The Breakout CSO Award

The Breakout CSO Award is presented to a new student organization who has made a positive impact on the SU Law Community. This year's award was presented to the Filipino Law Student Association. FLSA has put on countless events aimed at serving Filipino students and strengthening the community. Bree Zamora, Founder and President, accepted the award on behalf of FLSA. Thank you, FLSA, for all you've done to serve the SU Law community!



The Service in Leadership Award

The Service in Leadership Award is presented to a student leader who strives to create an inclusive environment and goes above and beyond in their leadership role(s). This year's award was presented to Brenna Pink Pampena. Brenna is the dictionary definition of a leader. She is a strong advocate with strong empathy towards anyone around her. Thank you, Brenna, for everything you have done for SU!

2023-2024 SBA COUNCIL

