

LRAP's Mission

LRAP Minnesota helps reduce the education debt burden experienced by dedicated public interest lawyers who represent low income clients seeking legal services to secure essential needs like food, shelter and safety, and fundamental rights like equal access to justice. Last year, more than 40 LRAP attorneys assisted more than 8,000 low-income clients.

LRAP Awards

To maximize our impact, LRAP is structured to take advantage of federal loan repayment assistance programs. LRAP awards are generally based on Income Based Repayment amounts, or on other income-driven repayment amounts if applicable. To facilitate Public Service Loan Forgiveness, LRAP's guidelines weigh years of experience in qualifying employment when ranking applicants for funding and determining percentage of annual payment amounts covered.

Application Process

LRAP awards are made through an open, competitive process. Applications are accepted twice per year in May and November.

Eligibility Requirements

Graduation from a MN law school or from any ABA-accredited law school if employed at a qualified Minnesota agency.

Full-time employment in a 501(c)(3) or 501(c)(4) nonprofit organization as an attorney providing legal advice or representation to low-income clients based upon financial eligibility criteria or support services for this work.

A graduated income cap applies.
For example, the gross income of an applicant with 0-2 years of experience in qualifying employment cannot exceed \$55,000.
Assets above a certain threshold will also be considered for all applicants.

Priority will be given for assistance with undergraduate and law school *federal* education loans, but other institutional loans used for education expenses may be covered.

Visit LRAP's website at www.lrapmn.org for complete Program Guidelines and other important details. Contact Heather Vlieger at 612-278-6315 or HeatherRV@mnbar.org with questions.

Help Preserve Public Service Loan Forgiveness via social media at Save #Loan4Giveness