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TOTAL NUMBER OF VOLUNTEERS

1982

325+

NEW VOLUNTEERS

22

NEW REFERRALS FOR ONE-ON-ONE ASSISTANCE

189

AMOUNT DONATED BY LAW AND ACCOUNTING FIRMS & OTHER CORPORATE SPONSORS

$17,360

NUMBER OF COLLEGE STUDENTS REACHED BY OUR UPSTART PROGRAM

707

1ST AMENDMENT AMICUS BRIEF

18

WORKSHOPS

9

CLINICS

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$150K+

PRO BONO SERVICES PROVIDED BY OUR VOLUNTEERS

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Financial Highlights

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
Year Ended 6/30/18

REVENUES
Public Funding $46,300
Private Funding 38,633
Program Revenue $8,057
Investments 3,893
Total $96,883

EXPENSES
Program $64,496
Management & General 9,920
Fundraising $8,267
Total $82,688

Net Income $14,195

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
Total Assets 6/30/17 $116,619
Total Assets 6/30/18 $132,280

Pulphus v. Ayers 1st Amendment Amicus Brief

Viewpoint censorship of work properly accepted in a student art competition should not be allowed, according to an amicus brief submitted in January 2018 by VLAA and other arts service and advocacy organizations. The brief urged reversal of a ruling that permitted removal of a post-Ferguson painting by St. Louis artist David Pulphus from an exhibit at the U.S. Capitol. VLAA Volunteer Attorney Mark Sableman helped draft the brief and discussed the free speech implications of the case at a public forum hosted by VLAA in April, 2018.

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