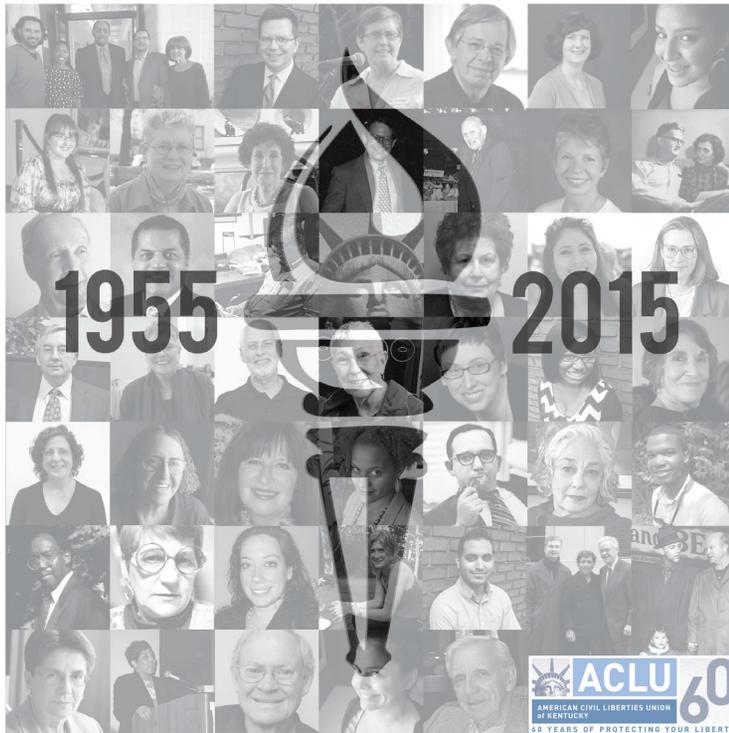




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AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION  
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60 YEARS OF PROTECTING YOUR LIBERTY

**ANNUAL  
REPORT  
2014-2015**



# 60 FACES OF LIBERTY

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■ We spent the beginning of the 2014-15 fiscal year preparing for our 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. It has been a joy to look back on the accomplishments of the organization, review historic achievements, and fully appreciate those who came before us and the incredible fights they waged to protect the rights of Kentuckians.

Our history includes the monumental fight for desegregating schools, landmark decisions on the separation of church and state, and the creation of the only Reproductive Freedom Project in the South – one of the reasons we haven't seen choice protections eroded in Kentucky like in every other Southern state.

But the struggle continues despite our achievements because the infringement on individual liberties remains ever present. Throughout the pages of this annual report you will read stories that reveal how the issues we have worked on during the last six decades shape our priorities today.

To learn more, you can check out the Anniversary section of our website at [aclu-ky.org](http://aclu-ky.org) and watch our video *Moving Justice Forward: 60 Years of Protecting Freedom in Kentucky*. And then you'll hear about our progress. There's been a lot of it because of our joint efforts. We hope that you'll be as proud as we are of all our achievements including the outstanding victories in this past year alone.

**Enid Trucios-Haynes**

*President, ACLU of KY Board of Directors*

**Michael Aldridge**

*Executive Director, ACLU of KY*



# 60 Years of Protecting Your Liberty

# Timeline

Snapshot of the ACLU-KY's work during our 2014 fiscal year - from April 1, 2014 through March 31, 2015.

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← **April 2014** Annual Bill of Rights program celebrated 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Reproductive Freedom Project.

**April 2014** ACLU of KY raised a record \$11,070 in online gifts as part of Give Local Louisville.

**May 2014 VICTORY!** Kentucky Bar Association Board of Governors unanimously dismissed recommended sanction against ACLU of KY client County Atty. Mike O'Connell for sending a letter to district court judges proposing a change to local rules.

← **June 2014 VICTORY!** Danville, KY became the 7<sup>th</sup> Kentucky city with LGBT Fairness protections

**June 2014 VICTORY!** 6<sup>th</sup> Circuit Court of Appeals overturned decision on website TheDirty.com in a win for free speech.

← **June 2014** Legal Program issued notice to KY jailers that Immigrations and Customs Enforcement Detainers may violate constitutional rights.

**July 2014** Legal Program announced opposition to proposed HUD Housing study in Louisville, Lexington leading to reforms.

← **August 2014** Board and staff members joined allies in protest of Kentucky Farm Bureau's discriminatory policy stances at their annual Country Ham Breakfast at the KY State Fair.



← **September 2014** Took over defense of James Evans, Central City, KY man jailed for posting song lyrics to Facebook.

**September 2014** Called on KET to reinstate previous criteria for inviting candidates to participate in election-related programs after mid-election cycle changes.

← **September 2014** Death row exoneree Gary Drinkard shared his story of wrongful conviction in several Kentucky cities.

**September 2014 VICTORY!** Kentucky Association of Counties recommended KY jailers refuse to honor immigration detainers, agreeing with ACLU of KY that detainers may result in liability.

← **September 2014** 125 supporters attend the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary RFP Benefit to honor RFP Founder Suzy Post, donated more than \$62,000 dollars.

**October 2014 VICTORY!** Court of Appeals agreed with ACLU of KY that University Medical Center is a public agency and therefore must provide public records we sought in our investigation into the hospital merger.

← **October 2014** Berea City Council voted down Fairness Ordinance, highlighted need for statewide anti-discrimination protections for LGBT Kentuckians.

← **October 2014 VICTORY!** ACLU of KY appeal to Atty. General and social media campaign forced Louisville Metro Police Department to release long-delayed traffic stop study.



**October 2014 VICTORY!**

ACLU of KY secured dismissal of criminal case against client James Evans who had been arrested for posting song lyrics online.



**November 2014** Death row exoneree, marine Kirk Bloodworth shared his story of wrongful conviction across the commonwealth.



**November 2014** U.S. 6<sup>th</sup> Circuit Court of Appeals upheld state bans on same gender marriage in KY, MI, OH, and TN.



**November 2014** ACLU of KY staff participated in Ferguson2Louisville Black Lives Matter protest in downtown Louisville.

**November 2014** Online 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary project *60 Faces of Liberty* launched. Each week a profile of an ACLU client, board member, staff member or supporter is released.



**December 2014** ACLU national, ACLU of KY, and Stanford Law School's U.S. Supreme Court Litigation Clinic joined the legal team representing KY couples challenging the state's constitutional ban on same-gender marriage.



**January 2015** ACLU of KY 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary exhibit *ACLU of Kentucky: Moving Justice Forward for 60 Years* opened at the University of Louisville.



**February 2015** Immigrants' Rights Program launched new story sharing advocacy project *I AM A Kentuckian*, partnering with undocumented Kentuckians to share their experiences with the immigration system with audiences across the state.



**February 2015** ACLU of KY, Planned Parenthood of Indiana and Kentucky, and the Muhammad Ali Center Council of Students co-host Rally for Reproductive Rights in Frankfort.



**February 2015** ACLU Voting Rights Ambassador Lewis Black visits Louisville, does a meet and greet with ACLU of KY staff and members after his show.

**March 2015** Immigrants' Rights Program collaborates with Rep. Larry Clark, two undocumented Kentuckians, a law enforcement officer, and an attorney to present testimony in support of driving certificates for Kentuckians without status.

**March 2015 VICTORY!** Three anti-abortion bills failed in the Kentucky General Assembly.

**March 2015** 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Youth Rights Conference sponsored by the ACLU of KY and Muhammad Ali Center held in Louisville.

**March 2015** 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary exhibit travels to Western Kentucky University for a month long engagement, programming.

# The Year In Numbers



1,896  
ACLU of KY  
Members



13,733  
People on our  
Action Alert  
email list



8,174  
Miles Staff  
Traveled Across the  
Commonwealth



43  
Bills Lobbied



445  
Intake Requests  
Processed



73  
Events Held



51  
Speaking  
Engagements



314  
Volunteers



25  
Press Releases Sent



196  
Media Mentions/  
On-air Appearances



8,715  
Facebook Fans



3,843  
Twitter Followers



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# Reproductive Freedom Project



To learn more about the Reproductive Freedom Project, visit our website [www.aclu-ky.org](http://www.aclu-ky.org), click the anniversary tab and watch our video **The Right to Break Silence: Voices from the ACLU of Kentucky Reproductive Freedom Project.**

For more than 25 years, the ACLU of Kentucky's Reproductive Freedom Project has used advocacy, education, and litigation to protect reproductive rights for all Kentuckians. As the only program in the state singly dedicated to protecting abortion rights, our legislative efforts grab a lot of headlines. However, we work just as hard on getting access to comprehensive sexuality education for our young people, protecting access to affordable contraception, and much more.

For example, in April, we collaborated with the national ACLU's Women's Rights Project to represent a third

year law student, Jacquelyn Bryant-Hayes. In addition to studying for the bar exam this summer, Jacquelyn is raising her one-month old daughter Kaeden Jayce. Because Jacquelyn is breastfeeding, she reasonably asked the Board of Bar Examiners to permit her two "stop the clock" breaks during each day of the exam and a private location in which to express milk. The Board's Accommodations Committee initially granted her request for a private location, but denied her request for "stop the clock" breaks, reasoning that the lunch period would be sufficient. We represented Jacquelyn in the appeal of that decision to the Board of Bar Examiners. And on May 7, the Board notified us that it granted Jacquelyn's appeal and would permit her two, twenty-minute breaks during the examination.

Our legal work on behalf of Ms. Bryant-Hayes is a continuation of our work to protect the rights of pregnant and nursing moms. During the 2015 General Assembly, we successfully led the efforts on House Bill 218, which would simply

ensure that employers make reasonable accommodations in the workplace for pregnant and nursing moms. These accommodations range from allowing a cashier to sit on a stool during her shift, ensuring that a factory worker can carry a water bottle to stay hydrated, or allowing a police officer to assume desk duty. That bill passed the Kentucky House of Representatives unanimously, but did not receive a hearing in the Senate. We look forward to continue working for equality for pregnant and new mothers in this upcoming year by passing HB 218 through both chambers, and advocating for policy change that ensures any woman taking an exam to further her career has adequate time and resources to express milk without having to hire an attorney.

Around three decades ago, then Executive Director of the ACLU of Kentucky, Suzy Post, joined others to establish a broad based coalition of opponents to the death penalty. The Kentucky Coalition to Abolish the Death Penalty (KCADP) had their work cut out for them. At that time, support for the death penalty had been climbing, and continued to grow until recently.

The mission of KCADP was, and is, to abolish the death penalty in Kentucky. The ACLU-KY has a history of playing a key role in the coalition. Beyond helping to establish KCADP, ACLU-KY board member and long-time supporter Carl Wedekind spent years meeting with legislators, talking to Kentuckians, and writing two books exploring the history of, and the work to end, the death penalty in Kentucky. Countless other members have moved this work forward over the years.

ACLU-KY Program Director Kate Miller serves as vice-chair of KCADP, regularly meeting with the chair and staff person. Currently, the ACLU-KY works towards repeal by helping coordinate death row exoneree storytelling tours. By sharing the stories of the wrongfully convicted we are able to illustrate that as long as we have the death penalty we will always occasionally get it wrong. The risk of executing an innocent person will always remain.

Through ACLU-KY's work with KCADP, we have been able to meet and hear stories of other wrongfully convicted Kentuckians like Michael VonAllmen. Mike was convicted of a rape he didn't commit in 1982. He spent 11 years in prison and 16 years on parole, before being exonerated in 2010—27 years after he was wrongly convicted. He now volunteers with KCADP, sharing his story with legislators, and anyone who will listen, to show that the death penalty is too risky to maintain.

The numbers of executions and death sentences are starting to fall. Stories from people like Mike, and the death row exonerees, are a big part of the reason why support for the death penalty is declining. The ACLU-KY and KCADP continue to build bi-partisan support for repeal in the Kentucky General Assembly, and across the commonwealth. It is through this coalition that we are moving abolition legislation forward.



# Abolition of the Death Penalty



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# Immigrants' Rights



Visit our website [www.aclu-ky.org](http://www.aclu-ky.org) and watch our video **Life Undocumented: The ACLU of Kentucky's Battle for Families Across Our Diverse State** to hear from a mixed status Kentucky family working toward immigration reform.

Long before working for the ACLU of Kentucky, Emi Ramirez was intimately familiar with the struggles many foreign-born Kentuckians face: discrimination, language access issues, and racial profiling, among other things. Emi's efforts to modernize federal policies launched our affiliate's work on immigrants' rights.

The work carries on today. Among other initiatives, the

ACLU-KY has built a campaign around the stories of foreign born Kentuckians. These stories help demonstrate the many ways that our current immigration system is not meeting our country's changing needs. For example, during the 2015 legislative session we brought Kentuckians like Fredy Encarnacion to testify before the House Committee on Transportation. He spoke to a measure that would allow all Kentucky motorists, regardless of immigration status, to take the vision, written and practical exams, while more easily registering their vehicles and obtaining insurance in their names.

Fredy explained that his family members were the victims in a car accident, but rather than get the police involved, they simply lost their car, despite the fact it was insured and the accident was the other driver's fault. Fredy explained to lawmakers that his family was afraid because they are undocumented, and very familiar with stories of families being permanently separated through deportation.

Fredy shared that he had entered this country when he was seven years old. His parents brought him here because they were unable to get the medical care

he needed for his birth defects, a cleft lip and palate. While they wanted to enter the country lawfully, they were much too poor to get documentation.

After getting the medical attention he needed Fredy has committed himself to providing those same services to others. He was valedictorian of his high school and earned a scholarship to University of Kentucky. He just finished his first year.

We believe getting stories like Fredy's in front of audiences across the commonwealth and before legislators, is an important first step toward raising awareness about the ways in which our immigration systems must be updated so that we can fully take advantage of all the talent and ideas that our foreign born Kentuckians have to offer.

■ The ACLU of Kentucky was one of the first organizations in the state to work on LGBT rights, and the focus of that work has changed over time. In 1986, the ACLU of Kentucky defended Jeffrey Wasson on a charge of sodomy in Fayette County. Wasson was arrested in an undercover sting operation along with several other men. They chose to accept plea bargains. But Wasson was so incensed by the unfairness of the law, he decided to challenge its constitutionality. We won the case as a violation of his right to privacy as well as an infringement of his equal protection under the law.

It was after this win that we saw anti-LGBT legislation first introduced in Frankfort. We joined with other ally groups in the emerging Fairness movement and over the next several years fought for non-discrimination protections at the local and state level. In

1998, the ACLU-KY represented Alicia Pedreira in an employment discrimination case. Pedreira worked for Kentucky Baptist Homes for Children (now Sunrise Children's Services), where she was fired for being a lesbian after a picture of her with her then-girlfriend was entered in a contest at the State Fair without her knowledge.

Pedreira's case became a turning point, putting a face to a problem that many decision makers didn't believe existed – that people were actually being fired from their jobs based on their sexual orientation. Many hearts and minds opened up as Pedreira's story unfolded, and in 1999, fairness protections passed in Louisville and later that year in Lexington and Henderson (the latter was later repealed in 2001). While the struggle for statewide protections continues, Kentucky now has eight cities covered by local non-discrimination ordinances, domestic partner benefits at all public universities, three private colleges and four cities within the state, due largely to our work alongside allies in the Fairness Coalition.

And as the transgender community gains visibility we are expanding our work once again to help break down the obstacles that stand in their way. After Atherton High

School in Louisville successfully made accommodations for a transgender student, legislation was filed in the 2015 General Assembly to bully students into bathrooms that don't align with their gender identity.

While working to defeat this legislation a new leader emerged. Henry Brousseau is a transgender student in Louisville whose powerful testimony helped defeat the legislation. "I hope all of you, who may not have a transgender kid in your life, can see in me a little of your own child or grandchild, or one of their friends—just a normal kid just trying to get my school work done, make it to my extra curricular activities, and hang out with my friends and family. That's just how I want to be treated—like a normal kid."

By telling his story Henry was able to put a face to the problem much like Alicia did over 16 years ago. He has since become a stellar volunteer – whether it's educating legislators, stuffing envelopes for a mailing, or traveling to Washington D.C. for the marriage equality hearings – we can always count on Henry to be on the front lines for justice ... and Henry can always count on the ACLU of Kentucky to have his back.



## LGBT Rights



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# Legal Program



Watch our new video **Law and Liberty: ACLU of Kentucky Legal Program Protecting Freedom** on our website [www.aclu-ky.org](http://www.aclu-ky.org), click on the anniversary tab.

The ACLU of Kentucky has a long and distinguished history of successfully advocating for Kentuckians' civil rights and civil liberties in state and federal courts, including before the U.S. Supreme Court. Today's Legal Program, with its combination of a dedicated Legal Program Director and a growing number of capable and dedicated cooperating attorneys, continues the tradition of delivering high quality representation on cases that have a broad impact upon the rights of Kentuckians.

As an example, in 2014 a Muhlenberg County man posted on his Facebook page a portion of the lyrics from a song entitled *Class Dismissed (A Hate Primer)* by the heavy metal band Exodus. Though the posted lyrics contained violent, school-

related images, they did not communicate a threat of harm to any person or school.

The posting came to the attention of local law enforcement authorities who launched an investigation. Upon reviewing the Facebook page, police quickly learned that the post consisted of song lyrics, that the lyrics were from a heavy metal band, and that the poster, James Evans, frequently posted song lyrics on his Facebook page. Police then went to James' apartment to interview him about the post. James cooperated fully with the investigation, answered the officers' questions, and explained that he did not intend to communicate any type of threat by posting the lyrics online. Satisfied, the officers left without charging James with any criminal offense.

However, an officer from one of the agencies involved decided to seek a warrant for James' arrest. In doing so, that officer submitted an affidavit to the judge in support of the warrant that stated simply that James "threaten[ed] to kill students and or staff at school." The officer did not include any details about the investigation, however, that would have revealed the fact that James did not commit any

crime. For example, the affidavit failed to mention that the alleged threat was posted on Facebook and consisted solely of song lyrics; that James frequently posted song lyrics online; that officers located and interviewed James about the post; and that James cooperated fully with the investigation. As a result of materially false and misleading affidavit, a warrant issued for James' arrest.

James spent several days in jail before finally being released pending a final resolution of the case. The ACLU-KY then took over James' representation in the criminal case and eventually secured a dismissal of the charge against him with the assistance of ACLU-KY cooperating attorney Bill Deatherage. Then, in May of 2015, we filed a federal lawsuit on James' behalf against Muhlenberg County and the responsible officer, Michael Drake. Assisting us in representing James is ACLU-KY cooperating attorney Brenda Popplewell.

■ In 2015, we witnessed an historic milestone in the area of LGBT rights – the United States Supreme Court acknowledged that when a state refuses to permit or recognize same-gender couples' marriages, it unlawfully deprives those couples of their fundamental right to marry and subjects them to improper discriminatory treatment. Of course, the cases in which the Court made that decision – *Obergefell, et al. v. Hodges, et al.* – included two cases that originated in Kentucky: *Bourke v. Beshear* and *Love v. Beshear*. The ACLU of Kentucky was proud to have filed amicus briefs in support of the Kentucky plaintiffs at the trial level and then on appeal to the Sixth Circuit. And we were honored to join the legal team representing those plaintiffs when the case reached the Supreme Court.

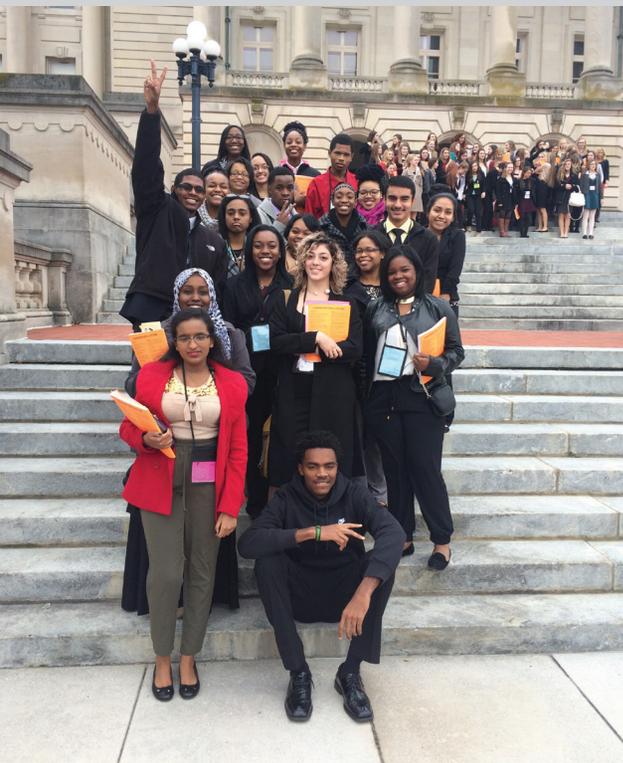
However, the fight for marriage equality in Kentucky did not end with the Supreme Court's ruling. Instead, some county clerks indicated that they would refuse to issue marriage licenses to same-gender couples because of their personal disagreement with the Supreme Court's decision. And although most of those clerks quickly backtracked in the face of overwhelming opposition to their stance (including opposition from Kentucky's Governor), at least a couple of them did not. So, less than one week after the Supreme Court's decision in *Obergefell*, the ACLU-KY filed a federal lawsuit against one of those clerks who, because of personal religious objections to the decision, stopped issuing marriage licenses even though it is a duty of her office to do so. We filed suit on behalf of two opposite-gender couples and two same-gender couples who were denied marriage licenses

by the county clerk in their county of residence. United States District Court Judge David Bunning is presiding over the case, and assisting us in representing our clients are ACLU-KY cooperating attorneys Laura Landenwich, Dan Canon and Joe Dunman – three of the attorneys who filed and successfully litigated Kentucky's marriage equality cases. The case – *Miller, et al. v. Rowan Co., et al.* – is receiving national attention because of its implications for ensuring that the promise of marriage equality (and the rule of law) is enforced.

Top: Tim Love & Larry Ysunza receive the first same-gender marriage license in Louisville, Jefferson County. Bottom: Rowan County Rights Coalition in Covington, KY at a hearing on county clerk marriage license refusals. Courtesy Rowan County Rights Coalition.



# Marriage Equality



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# Youth Rights

Left: 2014 Kentucky Youth Assembly. Right: 2014-2015 Carl L. Wedekind Fellows Mikel Brown and Yohana Eliot.

Investing in the next generation of civil libertarians is the central goal of the ACLU of Kentucky's Youth Rights Program. One of the milestones of this work has been our partnership with Louisville Central High School's Law and Government magnet career academy. The school offers a number of courses in law, including one sponsored by the ACLU-KY, but the close collaboration doesn't end there.

As a legacy to ACLU-KY leader Carl Wedekind, a fellowship was created to offer students at Central an opportunity to work with the ACLU-KY for more than just class credit. A stipend is offered each semester to our student fellows. The 2014-2015 school year brought fellows Yohana Eliot and Mikel Brown. Yohana and Mikel worked throughout the year providing administrative support, engaging in research, organizing the Kentucky Youth Assembly trip, and most importantly putting together the annual Youth Rights Conference.

The Youth Rights Conference is in its 9th year. Recently, the ACLU-KY developed a partnership with the Muhammad Ali Center and its Council of Students. Through this collaboration we have been able

to reach a broader audience. For example, this year's conference boasted attendees from more than 11 different area high schools. This year's Youth Rights Conference explored ideas of religious freedom and discrimination, economic inequality, and police brutality. A local high school advocate also presented on a movement to incorporate more black history into the day-to-day educational curriculum, a campaign called *Black History Matters*. These issues, and speakers on each topic, were identified by student organizers.

Providing a space for young people to come together and talk about civil liberties gives us an opportunity to build our future leaders, while also providing insight to our staff and board members on what matters to young people.

■ As a statewide organization, the ACLU of Kentucky relies on a membership base spread throughout the commonwealth to keep us informed of civil liberties concerns that arise in local communities. Bill Deatherage, an attorney out of Hopkinsville, first became interested in the ACLU early in his legal career and has been a member since the 1980's. He has been an invaluable resource in southwestern Kentucky, hosting educational programming and serving as a legal liaison in the region.

Bill became a supporter of the ACLU-KY's work to abolish the death penalty because of the imperfect legal system in which death sentences are handed down. As someone who has practiced law for several decades, Bill notes that, "human beings make [these legal] decisions and if we execute an innocent person, that cannot be

corrected, however, if we convict a person wrongfully and that person is incarcerated, then up to the point that that person may die while in prison, that mistake can be corrected up to some degree."

Bill also served as a cooperating attorney when the ACLU-KY successfully represented a group of Somali Muslims in Mayfield who sought to establish a space for worship, and most recently on a free speech case in Muhlenberg County.

Throughout Bill's years as a member, he has continued to support the organization through "modest financial contributions on a continuing basis." These modest contributions are the most manageable way for the majority of our members to support this crucial work in our state.

Whether you give annually or monthly, online or through a gift of stock, we hope that in this 60th Anniversary year of the ACLU-KY that you will take a moment to consider what this work is worth to you and make a donation that is personally significant.



## Donor Profile: Bill Deatherage

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The ACLU of Kentucky wishes to express our deep appreciation to all of our donors who help us bring the promise of liberty and justice to life for all Kentuckians. This important work is made possible by thousands of members and supporters across the state. The gifts acknowledged here were made to the ACLU during our 2014 fiscal year – from April 1, 2014 through March 31, 2015. Every effort has been made to assure an accurate and complete listing of all contributors. Please accept our sincere apologies for any inadvertent errors or omissions, and please advise us of any corrections.

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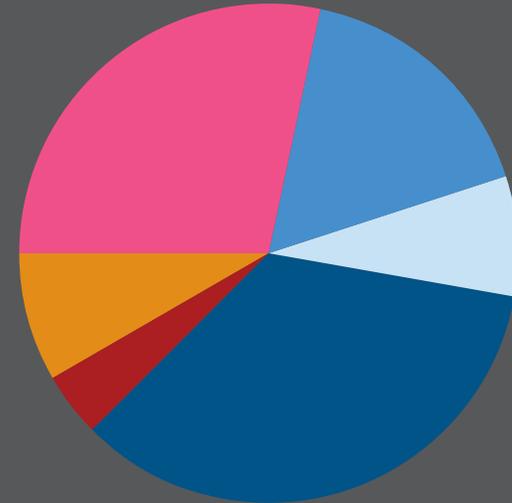
● Contributions & Grants.....	<b>\$214,393</b>
● Investment Income & Other .....	<b>\$124,796</b>
● Legal Awards.....	<b>\$58,507</b>
● National Foundation.....	<b>\$261,641</b>
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<b>Total Income:</b> .....	<b>\$751,596</b>

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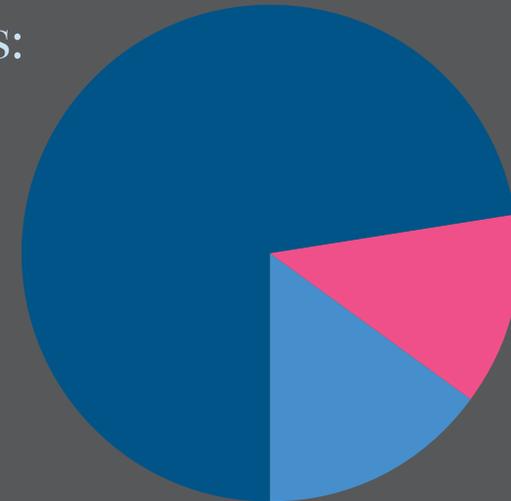
● Programs.....	<b>\$606,597</b>
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<b>Total Expenses:</b> .....	<b>\$836,506</b>

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