

SUMMER 2026 NEWSLETTER

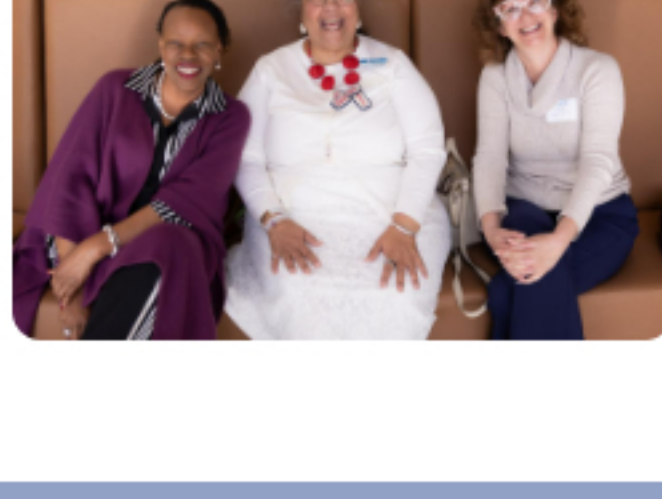
Dear Friends,

During these summer months, we are focused on charting the next chapter of our service to the community through the development of a new strategic plan.

We are grateful to everyone who took the time to share thoughtful feedback through our recent survey – we received an incredible number of responses! Your investment in our mission is evident and your insights are helping to inform our priorities.

We look forward to sharing more in the months ahead as this work continues to take shape. Thank you for your continued involvement and support.

Erin Childs
President & CEO



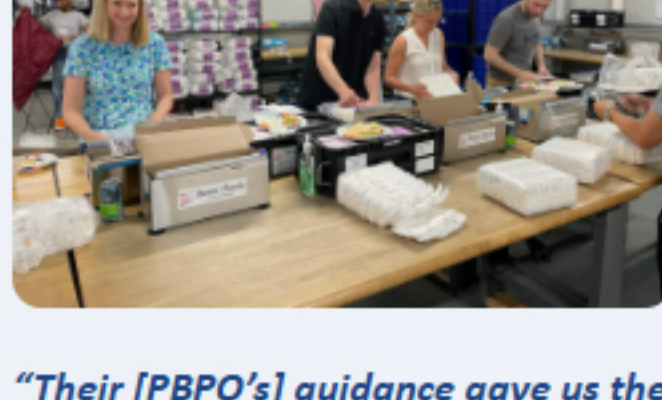
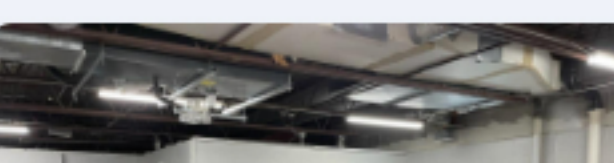
MISSION IN ACTION

PBPO Helps Nonprofits Navigate Change

PBPO is seeing firsthand how today's challenging conditions are prompting nonprofits to think differently about sustainability. **Over the past year alone, we have helped complete more nonprofit mergers and dissolutions than in our previous 11-year history combined** — a reflection of the new pressures nonprofits face and their commitment to preserving impact.

This type of legal work is resource intensive for us, but also incredibly impactful. As one example, PBPO recently led the legal aspects of transitioning the Sweet Cheeks Diaper Bank Program from COVERD to St. Vincent de Paul – Cincinnati, an arrangement that will help ensure local families can continue to access diapers for their little ones.

Our knowledge, service excellence, and relationships with nonprofits have positioned us as the community's go-to legal resource for mergers, dissolutions, and strategic partnerships. Together, we are creating a more sustainable and stronger nonprofit sector in SW Ohio.



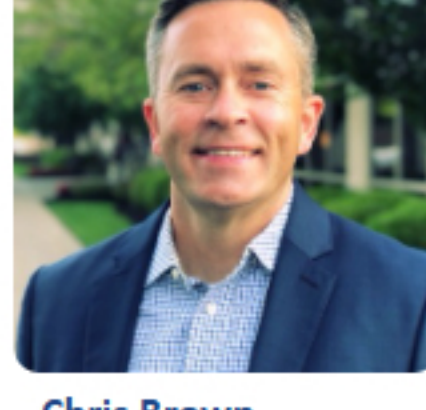
"Their [PBPO's] guidance gave us the confidence that the agreement protected everyone involved and that the families we serve would experience no disruption. We're grateful for their expertise and for the steady, practical support they provided throughout the process."

Michaela Rawsthorn
Former Board Chair, COVERD

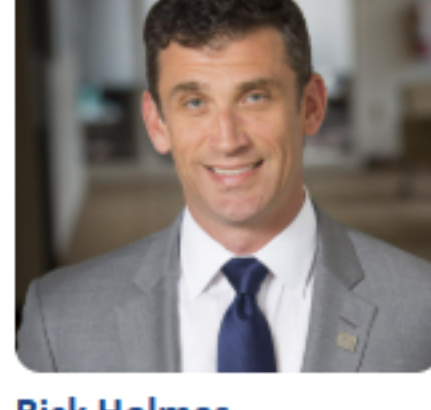
PBPO NEWS

Congratulations & Welcome!

PBPO is proud to welcome two new members to our [Board of Directors](#):



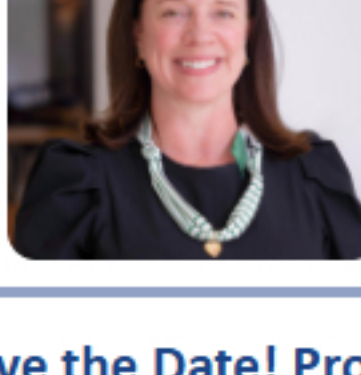
Chris Brown
Chief Legal Officer
Total Quality Logistics



Rick Holmes
Senior Vice President
Fifth Third Bank



Susan Street Whaley, PBPO Board Chair, was recently recognized as a [YWCA Career Women of Achievement Honoree](#). In honor of Susan's recognition, the PBPO Board of Directors made a donation that will allow more nonprofits to access PBPO's legal services and education. [Join in celebrating Susan today!](#)



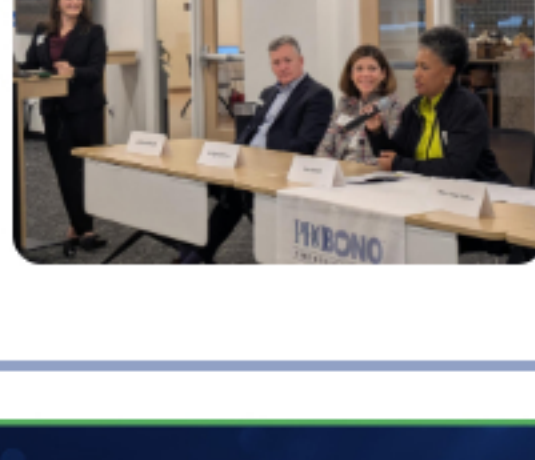
PBPO President & CEO, [Erin Childs](#), brings her passion for pro bono service to two new appointments:

- 2026 [American Bar Association](#) Delegate to the Cincinnati Bar Association's [Board of Trustees](#); and
- Member of the American Bar Association's [Standing Committee on Pro Bono and Public Service](#).

Save the Date! Professional Conduct CLE

Mark your calendars for our annual Professional Conduct CLE on Thursday, November 12, from 9:00 – 11:00 a.m. at the Taft Center, offered at no cost to PBPO volunteers.

Attorneys are highly sought-after nonprofit board members, but board service can present unique ethical and professional pitfalls for lawyers. Hear from our featured speaker, [Megan Okun, Esq.](#), and a panel of attorney-directors as they discuss real-world scenarios, practical advice, and lessons learned from the boardroom. Registration coming soon!



Celebrating our Attorney Volunteers & Supporters

Thank you for joining our Volunteer & Donor Appreciation Celebration, presented by LexisNexis and hosted by [Fifth Third Bank](#) on April 21! It was a special evening as we celebrated our award winners, Hall of Fame inductees, volunteers, supporters – and the incredible impact we are making together. Relive the celebration through [these photos](#).



Congratulations to our [Hall of Fame Inductees](#) and Award Winners!

Procter & Gamble
Company of the Year

Kyle Grubbs, Kroger
Corporate Attorney of the Year

Anna Greve, Taft
Rising Star

FBT Gibbons LLP
Law Firm of the Year

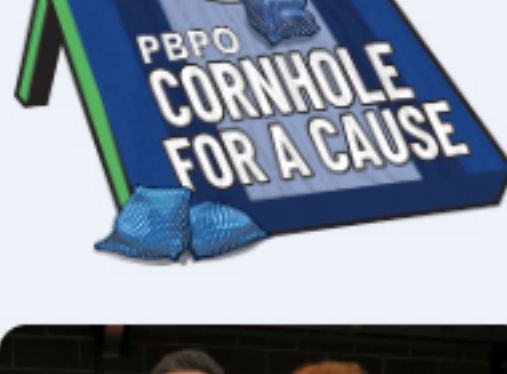
Liane Rousseau, Dinsmore
Law Firm Attorney of the Year

Alan deVries, deVries Immigration Law
Excellence in Nonprofit Service



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SUMMER CLASSIC

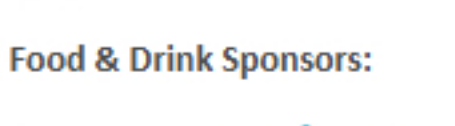


Gathering for Friendly Competition and Fun

PBPO's Summer Classic: Cornhole for a Cause, presented by Dinsmore, drew a record crowd, with over 70 teams competing, and raising more funds for PBPO than ever before! Congratulations to tournament winners, Ned Babbitt and Sam Zeller!

Thank you to the Grow PBPO Event Committee, led by Maggie Muething, for leading our most successful event yet! [Check out event pictures here.](#)

Presenting Sponsor:



Food & Drink Sponsors:



Thank You

We are grateful to the many supporters who make our work possible!

This listing recognizes foundations, businesses, and law firms that have provided support of \$2,500 or more to PBPO in 2026.

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- Montgomery Jonson LLP
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Special thanks to [Dinsmore & Shohl LLP](#) (Cincinnati) and [Bricker Graydon Wyatt LLP](#) (Dayton) for donating PBPO's office space and supplies.

Thank you to the following volunteers who recently committed to assisting a nonprofit on a legal project!*

**volunteered between 3/17/26 – 6/25/26*

Nick Addison
Jessica Baverman
Sam Berten
Kasey Bond
Victoria Bonds
Kara Bortz
Cooper Bowen
Kennedy Brooks
Kathryn Brown
Joe Brunner
Matt Carlin
Adam Centner
Angel Chapman
Abby Chermely
Chase Clark
Chris Colloton
Jasmine Corrie Jones
Liz Cramer
Michael Dailey
Marley Davis
Joe Dehner
Alan deVries
Melissa Dials
Jenn Dollard-Smith
Marianne Dressman
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Nick Endsley
Maggie Etzler
Ekaterina Gay
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Peggy Sullivan
Abigail Thederahn
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