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Student scholarships, faculty recruitment, building modernization, and expanded clinical opportunities among priorities.

As we stand at the halfway point of Cardozo School of Law's transformative comprehensive campaign, Rise Up for Cardozo, the generous support of our alumni community has been both humbling and inspirational. To date, we have raised more than \$37 million toward our goal to raise \$50 million by our 50th Anniversary in 2026. This achievement is a testament to the dedication of our alumni community, whose invaluable contributions propel Cardozo forward.

The Rise Up for Cardozo campaign addresses critical priorities that will shape the future of legal education:

Empower Students

At the core of every great institution is a substantial endowment dedicated to providing financial aid to students in need. Financial aid and scholarship support allows Cardozo students to pursue any career path about which they are passionate, ensuring that talent will not be stifled by financial constraints.

At the heart of our commitment to empowering future legal leaders lies a comprehensive approach that extends beyond traditional scholarships. Your investment becomes a pivotal force in unlocking doors to practical skills through summer stipends, for example, which enable students to immerse themselves in invaluable internships and gain hands-on, real-world experience. These stipends, supporting nearly 200 students each year, offer opportunities for passionate individuals to dedicate their time to meaningful causes, often serving vulnerable populations and underserved communities.

Foster Exceptional Faculty

Attracting, recruiting, and retaining the finest faculty is paramount in preserving Cardozo's academic distinction. Your support goes beyond sustaining our faculty; it enables us to continue attracting top minds in their respective fields. By fostering an environment where legal scholars thrive, your contribution ensures that our students receive instruction from the best, nurturing a tradition of excellence in legal education.

Elevate Our Campus

Our vision is to create a campus that matches the caliber of our exceptional legal education and the unique warmth of our distinctive Cardozo community. We believe that a modern, inviting, and innovative environment is crucial for attracting students and nurturing their academic and personal growth, inspiring our faculty and dignifying the clients served through our Clinics. Our plans call for modernizing and upgrading our classrooms; building a magnificent student engagement floor by undertaking a major transformation of all student-facing offices to create a new, open, and inviting central space that will serve as the heart of our campus; expanding and improving our clinical space, and modernizing the café area. These transformational design improvements will foster connections among our diverse student body and promote a sense of belonging to the greater Cardozo community. Alumni coming back to Cardozo for events, speaking engagements and reunions will be welcomed to a warm, beautifully revitalized community environment.

Transform Cardozo's World-Class Clinics

Cardozo's clinics provide incomparable learning opportunities for students, while ensuring marginalized and vulnerable clients have access to welcoming and expert pro bono counsel. The generous gifts of our donors will enable a renovation and redesign of the clinic space into an outstanding home for clinical education at Cardozo, while expanding the number of students who can participate in the ongoing, critically important, work of the clinics and expand the clientele.

We invite you to join the Rise Up for Cardozo Campaign. Together, we can shape the future of legal education, ensuring Cardozo's legacy endures and thrives for the next 50 years and beyond. Embrace the opportunity to make a meaningful impact and be part of the ongoing narrative of excellence, innovation, and impact at Cardozo.