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**NEW YORK BAR FOUNDATION PRESENTS GRANT TO ALLIANCE FOR SAFE KIDS**



*Photo Caption: 2017 Youth Court Graduation. Pictured from left to right: Hon. Judge Gary Raniolo; Nancy Levin, Esq., Youth Court Director; Yorktown Police Chief Robert Noble; Tricy Cushner, Youth Court Advisory Board and ASK Board President; and Liz Talbert, ASK Coalition Coordinator.*

The New York Bar Foundation recently presented a grant of \$1,000.00 to the Alliance for Safe Kids (ASK), Yorktown Heights. The grant will be used to support their Youth Court Program.

“Students from Upper Westchester and Putnam Counties bring their enthusiasm and attention to this rigorous training program each year,” said Nancy Levin, Director of Youth Court. “I am so very proud of the work they do: learning public speaking; perfecting their interview skills; learning about police procedures and reporting; learning about the court process; and how to litigate as Youth Court members. We also have wonderful past graduates attend the many sessions as interns to train and provide their experience and input.”

“The generous funding from The New York Bar Foundation will help ASK continue to run our program in 2017,” added Erica Stanzione, Director of Communications and Partnerships at ASK. “We are thankful to have the support of The Foundation to help us make this an excellent experience for all involved, including the Yorktown Justices, police and local attorneys who contribute their time and expertise.”

In early 2017, The New York Bar Foundation allocated over \$640,000 in grants to 98 programs across New York to assist in:

- Increasing public understanding of the law
- Improving the justice system and the law
- Facilitating the delivery of legal services
- Enhancing professional competence and ethics

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To learn more about the Alliance for Safe Kids’ Youth Court Program, visit [www.allianceforsafekids.org/youthcourt](http://www.allianceforsafekids.org/youthcourt).