

# THE JIM BARRETT FUND FOR JUSTICE

You can help build a lasting legacy to celebrate Jim's 40+ years of extraordinary leadership.

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## HIS LIFE'S WORK

In 1983, fresh out of law school, Jim Barrett came to work for a five-year-old fledgling nonprofit, Pisgah Legal Services. He began his career as a housing attorney; ten years later he would become executive director. Ultimately, **Jim would make this his life's work, bettering the lives of people in need through Pisgah Legal.**

## A LASTING LEGACY

Jim will retire in August 2024 after more than **40 years** of perseverance, compassion, and dedication. Jim's leadership stabilized, expanded, and diversified the work of Pisgah Legal Services. His work over the past four decades has quite literally **impacted hundreds of thousands of lives** and will continue to benefit generations to come.

Help us celebrate by creating a lasting resource that will forever bear his name and support the critically important work of Pisgah Legal Services.

## BENEFITS

### 1. Stable and Constant Income

Endowed funds provide a constant source of income over time, which Pisgah Legal Services can depend on for financial support

### 2. Lasting and Permanent

Funds held in an endowment are invested to become a lasting legacy.

### 3. Jim's Work Lives on Forever

An endowment in Jim's name is a wonderful way to honor his life's work and commitment to justice for all.



## GIVING OPTIONS

- Donate using cash, credit card or check.
- Give through your donor-advised fund.
- Donate stocks and bonds.
- Give through your IRA.

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## PAT & PHIL SMITH

PLS Endowment Committee Co-Chairs

"Without Jim's dedication, our WNC community wouldn't have the incredible organization that we have today. Please join us in supporting this permanent fund in Jim's honor."



## A FEW HIGHLIGHTS...

- In 1983, Pisgah Legal Services was assisting less than 1,000 people/year with 15 staff members serving six counties. **Today, more than 23,500 people/year benefit** from PLS.
- Pisgah Legal now **serves 18 mountain counties, employs 130 people**, harnesses the power of more than 250 volunteer attorneys.
- Jim led Pisgah Legal to remain an **independent, community-based nonprofit** in 1998 after rejecting a state-wide merger and federal funding that would limit its scope of service.
- A visionary, Jim oversaw a capital campaign that successfully **raised more than \$5 million to purchase larger office space** despite a severe recession. This expansion spurred growth that allowed Pisgah Legal to engage more volunteers, offer **15 different programs**, generate more community support, advocate for better local and state-wide policies and serve as a model for other legal aid organizations.



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Pisgah Legal Presents

**Jim's Retirement Bash**

July 18, 2024

Highland Brewing Co., Asheville