



The State Bar *of California*

## 1.3 PDI Committee Priorities: Supporting Grantees in a Rapidly Changing Policy Landscape

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# Survey Background

- In November 2024, the State Bar identified the need for a series of touchpoints in anticipation of a changing federal policy landscape and its impact on legal aid practitioners and Californians more broadly.
- Around this time, the special legislative session included the opportunity for additional Equal Access Fund (EAF) grant dollars.
- In December 2024, the State Bar convened two focus groups with grantees from thirty organizations that provide immigration legal services.
- In January 2025, the fires in Southern California posed new challenges for California families and needs for disaster legal assistance.
- The survey's overall goal is to support LSTFC grantees as they navigate the federal policy landscape and disaster legal needs.



# Goal: To Refine and Enhance Grantee Support



**Services and Inquiries**



**Anticipated Policy Impacts**



**Preparation and Planning**



**Strategy and Support**



## Sample Survey Question

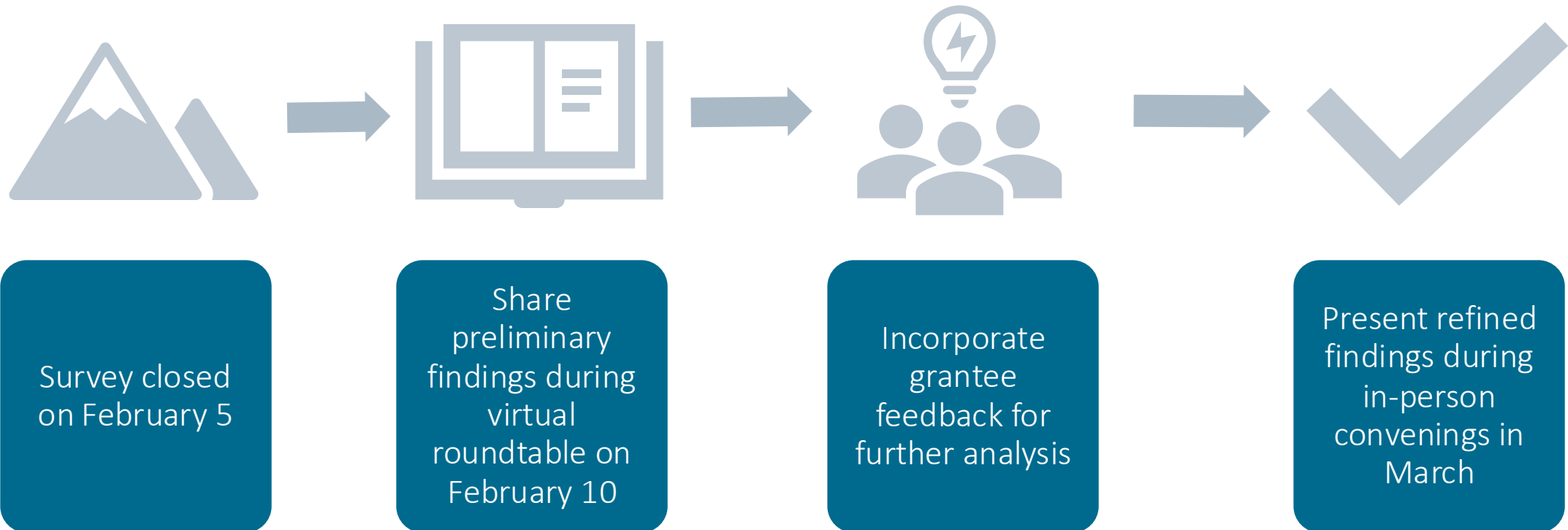
**Given potential policy changes, rank your organization's top three concerns.**

Options:

- Case load
- Budget
- Funding and fundraising
- Staffing
- Recruitment and retention



## Next Steps





# Questions

1. What are actionable next steps the PDI Committee would like to see in how the survey data is used?
2. How might these next steps help inform the committee's immediate, medium, and/or long-term goals for this area of work?



# Thank you!

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