

2024 ANNUAL REPORT



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**Founded in 1969, MidPenn Legal Services is a nonprofit, public interest law firm with staff over 100, including, attorneys, paralegals, support staff and administrators. Since our beginning, we have provided free legal advice and representation to nearly one million low-income individuals, families and survivors of violence. We work to improve the lives of our clients through the provision of high quality impactful legal services.**



As 2024 draws to a close, it is an opportunity for us to pause, express our gratitude, and set our sights on the future. As Executive Director, I have had the honor of seeing firsthand the remarkable efforts

that make MidPenn Legal Services a source of hope for so many individuals and families. This year has brought both victories and obstacles, but above all, it has highlighted the resilience and dedication of our team and community.

Our mission is clear, we work to provide equitable access to justice for all, especially the underserved and marginalized members of our community. Every case we take on, and every client we support, reinforces the importance and magnitude of this mission. Our work goes beyond legal representation; it is about restoring dignity, offering hope, and building a fairer and more just society for everyone.

In January, we launched the Guardianship Pilot Project. This project, which is funded by the Office of Elder Justice of the Administrative Office of Courts (AOPC), provides court-appointed legal counsel for alleged incapacitated individuals aged 60 and older who have not retained private counsel in guardianship proceedings. This project represents our continued dedication to ensuring that the most vulnerable members of our community receive the legal assistance they need, navigating life's challenges with dignity.

As we look ahead, it is clear that the future of legal aid will be significantly shaped by emerging technological advancements.

These tools offer an exciting opportunity to expand our reach, streamline services, and enhance the way we support our clients. At MidPenn, we are committed to embracing these innovations to move justice forward, ensuring that our clients have access to resources and representation in ways that are efficient, accessible, and equitable.

The stories you will find in this report are more than just numbers; they reflect the lives we have touched and the transformative power of our work. The stories are of families staying together, individuals claiming their rights, and communities finding their voices.

While I am proud of our accomplishments, I know that they are the result of a collective effort. Our dedicated staff, volunteers, donors, and partners, and the community we serve – each of you plays an integral role in our success. My gratitude for your unwavering faith, support, and commitment is beyond words.

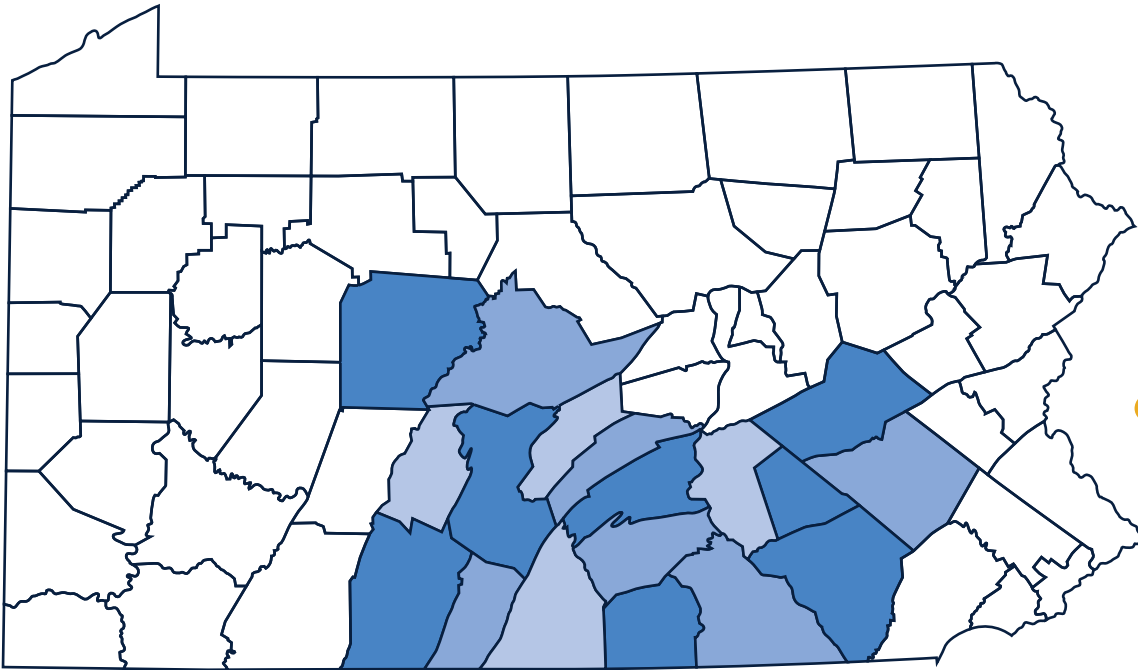
As the landscape of legal aid continues to evolve, so does our vision. We are not just preparing to navigate these changes; we are ready to lead and innovate, ensuring that justice remains accessible to all. I invite you to join us on this ongoing journey. Together, we can shape a future where the scales of justice balance for all, regardless of socio-economic status and where technology empowers us to make an even greater impact. With your support, we can – and will – make a lasting impact.

Thank you for being part of this mission and for your continued support as we move justice forward.

Rhodia D. Thomas, Esquire  
Executive Director

# mission

MidPenn Legal Services is a non-profit, public interest law firm that provides high quality free civil legal services to low-income residents and survivors of domestic violence and sexual assault in 18 counties in Central Pennsylvania.



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POPULATION: **3,116,175**  
POVERTY POPULATION: **10%**  
ELIGIBLE FOR LEGAL AID: **414,284**



With your support, we can continue to provide access to high quality legal representation for low-income individuals and families in our service area.

**Scan the QR code to donate online.**



As my first term as MidPenn's Board Chair, it is both an honor and privilege to present this year's annual report, which showcases another impactful chapter in the history of MidPenn Legal Services. This past

year has been filled with many stories of resilience, dedication, and transformation, highlighting the profound role legal aid plays in the lives of individuals and families in our community. Legal aid is not just about providing legal assistance – it represents hope, a lifeline for those who might otherwise face their legal challenges alone and without support.

At the core of MidPenn's mission is a simple but powerful belief: access to justice should not be a privilege reserved for a select few, but a fundamental right for all. Every day, through the tireless efforts of our advocates, staff, volunteers, and partners, we work to make that belief a reality. I am proud of what we have accomplished together this year, and even more proud of the compassion and commitment

that has fueled those achievements. Our team has consistently demonstrated how empathy and dedication can create lasting, meaningful change in the lives of the people we serve.

Yet, we know that there is still much more to be done. As we look ahead, our vision remains focused on expanding our reach, improving our services, and ensuring that no one is left behind simply because they lack the resources to resolve their legal problems.

Thank you to everyone who has been part of this journey – our exceptional advocates and staff, devoted volunteers, generous donors, supportive partners, and the communities who have placed their trust in us. Your solid belief in our mission and your steadfast support continue to make all the difference.

As we move forward, I encourage each of you to stand with us, to advocate with us, and to help us build a future where access to justice is truly equal for everyone.

Sincerely,  
Ian Ehrgood, Esq.  
President  
Board of Directors

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## Steve's Legacy: A Champion for Justice, Mentor, and Advocate for Change

Steve graduated from Somerville High School in 1962 and embarked on his academic journey at Brown University that fall, during the presidency of John F. Kennedy. Inspired by Kennedy's powerful call to service, "Ask not what your country can do for you but what you can do for your country," Steve began to envision a career dedicated to public service. By the time he graduated from Dickinson School of Law (DSL) in 1969, the national legal services program, designed to provide legal aid for low-income individuals, was beginning to take shape. This initiative, an extension of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and Lyndon B. Johnson's War on Poverty, aimed to establish local "neighborhood" legal services offices across the country to be close to those they served. Harrisburg became the natural choice for the Central PA Legal Services office, and Steve, alongside a group of DSL students, was instrumental in getting this endeavor off the ground, remaining committed to this cause for an incredible 43 years.

Steve was not only tireless in his dedication to his clients but also proactive in advocating for systemic change. He worked closely with the courts, often proposing rule changes to enhance access to the legal system for his clients. As Rhodia Thomas, Executive Director of MidPenn Legal Services, noted, "Steve was not just a dedicated advocate but truly the face of legal aid in Dauphin County."

Steve's expertise was in landlord-tenant law, and he frequently appeared before Magisterial District Judges throughout Dauphin County, advocating passionately for the rights of low-income tenants. However, his impact went far beyond the courtroom. Steve was also a mentor to many advocates and attorneys who have worked or continue to work in legal aid, providing guidance and support that shaped countless careers. His unwavering commitment to justice and his willingness to share his knowledge left an indelible mark on all those he mentored.



In the community, Steve was deeply respected for his relentless efforts to preserve housing for low-income individuals and families. He worked closely with many dedicated partners who shared his commitment to this cause, fostering a network of support for those most in need.

For those who knew Steve, he was more than an advocate—he was a sports enthusiast whose office was practically a museum, filled with memorabilia reflecting his passion. Colleagues fondly recall his title as the "laminating king" of the office, a lighthearted testament to his attention to detail and pride in his work.

Even well into retirement, Steve continued to give back, mentoring legal services attorneys and, as recently as 2019, proposing procedural rule changes for the Dauphin County Court of Common Pleas. His lifelong dedication to justice and service will be remembered by all who had the honor of working with him.

Steve's colleagues and friends will always remember his zeal, tenacity, and the invaluable lesson he passed on to all of whom he mentored: always practice law with the highest ethical standards. This principle is Steve's legacy, a legacy that lives on in all who had the privilege of knowing and working alongside him.

# Transformation Journey

## From Debt to Renewal: Jill's Journey to a Fresh Start

Jill, a 43-year-old mother of two, is a powerful example of resilience and transformation. With the support of the Low-Income Taxpayer Clinic (LITC), she successfully reduced her overwhelming federal and state income tax debt from \$391,000 to just \$31,000.

From 2012 to 2016, Jill worked as an independent contractor delivering bread and bakery products throughout the mid-Atlantic region. Unfortunately, during this time, she struggled with addiction and didn't keep any records of her business income and expenses. By 2018, Jill's life took a further downward turn—she stopped working and became homeless, moving from place to place across states from Virginia to Illinois.

But in 2020, Jill decided to take control of her life. She got sober, returned to Pennsylvania to live with her mother, and began the path to rebuilding her future. In March 2020, Jill reached out to the LITC after an IRS Revenue Officer visited her mother's home regarding several years of unpaid taxes and unfiled returns. The IRS had recently assessed a staggering \$367,000 tax bill for 2014 alone, and they were prepared to add new assessments for other years if Jill didn't comply. Additionally, the Pennsylvania Department of Revenue was pursuing \$27,000 in unpaid taxes from 2012 and 2013.

Determined to help Jill reclaim her life, the LITC began by contacting companies Jill had worked for during 2012-2016, gathering missing Form 1099s and other business records. They discovered that Jill's reported income had been significantly inflated, as she was being paid in advance for products she was contracted to purchase and deliver. The LITC worked tirelessly to obtain all necessary documentation and then connected Jill with a reputable accountant who prepared her tax returns for 2012-2016. Once these returns were processed, Jill's IRS debt was reduced



dramatically—from \$367,000 for 2014 to just over \$31,000 for 2014 and 2015 combined.

The LITC didn't stop there. They negotiated a manageable payment plan with the IRS, allowing Jill to make affordable monthly payments over a six-year period. They also successfully negotiated the withdrawal of the federal tax lien filed against Jill once her balance was under \$25,000 and she continued to comply with her tax obligations.

Additionally, the LITC eliminated Jill's \$27,000 state tax debt owed to the PA Department of Revenue for 2012 and 2013. They demonstrated that Jill had been homeless and never received the assessment notices. Furthermore, the LITC provided evidence that Jill resided in Virginia during those years, not Pennsylvania, proving she was not liable for PA income tax. The PA Department of Revenue Board of Review accepted the appeal and removed the entire balance from Jill's account.

Today, Jill has a stable job that allows her to meet her IRS installment payments. With her federal tax lien withdrawn, she's in the process of obtaining a loan to purchase a new home for her young family. Her story reminds us that, with the right help and perseverance, it's never too late to rebuild and create a brighter future.

# Breaking Barriers

## Standing Strong: How Juan Fought for his Home and Won

Juan, a resilient 77-year-old man, was facing the heartbreaking prospect of eviction from the low-income apartment he had called home for nearly a decade. Despite his dedication to maintaining his home, he received notices from his landlord claiming his rent was past due. The landlord's records indicated that Juan owed \$1,151.00, and on the same day, a complaint was filed at the Magisterial Justice District (MDJ) Court. The issue, it seemed, was due to an error in the landlord's records, and without legal support, Juan risked eviction and a judgment for a debt he did not owe.

However, Juan's story is one of hope and perseverance. Having kept meticulous records, he had saved copies

of every money order he had used to pay his rent on time, depositing them in the landlord's drop box each month. With these records in hand, our attorney quickly intervened, reaching out to the landlord and providing copies of the money orders to resolve the matter before the complaint went to court. Despite these efforts, the case proceeded, and our attorney stood by Juan's side at the MDJ court hearing.

In court, our attorney passionately argued that Juan had consistently paid his rent on time and should not be penalized due to delays in the landlord's payment processing system. The judge listened, and in a moment of justice and relief, issued a "pay and stay" judgment. Out of the \$1,151 claimed, the judge found that Juan only owed \$50.00—a minor discrepancy. Juan promptly paid the reduced amount and the filing fees, and MidPenn Legal Services ensured that the judgment was marked as satisfied, reflecting that Juan had no further debts.

Thanks to his determination and the support of our team, Juan was able to keep the apartment he has known as his home for the past ten years. His story is a reminder that, with the right support and a little courage, justice can prevail. Juan's resilience and the legal assistance he received not only protected his home but also reaffirmed the importance of standing up for what is right.



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**Give the Gift  
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**"My attorney gave me hope when I thought hope was gone. Her kindness, empathy and support, will have a lasting positive impact on me. It will never be forgotten. Thank you MidPenn for helping me!"**

Domestic Violence Client





# Transformation Journey

## Reclaiming Security: Doug's Journey to Justice, Care, and Family

Doug was living peacefully in his family home in the Southern part of the country. Though his health was beginning to decline, he was managing his affairs independently. However, in a sudden turn of events, his children arrived unexpectedly and relocated him to a nursing home in Pennsylvania. They had him sign a power of attorney naming them as agents. With only one of his children nearby and limited friends or family in the area, he found himself increasingly isolated, rarely receiving visits from loved ones.

The nursing home staff stepped in to support him, helping him apply for medical assistance to cover his residential expenses. But his application was denied after it was discovered that his children had transferred over \$80,000 out of his accounts, using the funds for their own benefit. He was certain he hadn't authorized these transactions and began to feel deeply wronged, suspecting he had been separated from his home and finances unfairly.

In response, the nursing home filed a petition for a professional guardian to protect Doug's well-being. The court appointed MidPenn Legal Services to represent him, and after a thorough hearing, a professional guardian was designated for his estate and personal matters, as the court determined his family was not acting in his best interest.

Over time, Doug's cognitive condition improved, and additional supportive family members were identified. MidPenn's attorney reached out to these relatives, sharing his situation and discovering family



members eager to take on the responsibility of his care. Our attorney also located a long-term care facility closer to these supportive family members. She carefully coordinated with his healthcare providers to assess whether he was fit to travel and collaborated with the family to arrange his relocation.

To finalize this plan, MidPenn's attorney petitioned for a court review hearing, seeking a limited guardianship to transition the responsibility to a family member and transfer jurisdiction to a Midwestern state where he could be closer to family. The court granted the request, and today, Doug resides in a caring assisted living facility in the Midwest, just minutes from many loving family members who visit him regularly and ensure he is surrounded by support.

Through determination and teamwork, we were able to reunite him with family and restore his sense of security and belonging.

# Transformation Journey

## A Purr-fect Companion: Mary's Journey to Hope and Healing

Mary, a resilient 52-year-old woman, reached out to MidPenn Legal Services seeking hope and companionship in the form of an emotional support animal. Battling the weight of Major Depression and Schizoaffective Disorder, Mary lived in a mental health supportive housing program where each day was a struggle. The isolation and fear during the COVID-19 pandemic only deepened her pain, leaving her yearning for the comfort and connection a companion animal could provide.

Her caseworker, who worked for the landlord, accompanied her faithfully to medical and psychiatric appointments. Yet, when Mary bravely brought up the idea of having an emotional support animal, her hopes were quickly dashed. The caseworker informed her that such an action would lead to eviction. Even her psychiatrist, unfamiliar with the legal nuances, felt hesitant to support the request out of fear for Mary's housing stability. Feeling defeated but determined, Mary reached out to MidPenn.

When Mary called, she was at a crossroads. With no healthcare provider willing to advocate for her, she needed someone to stand beside her and fight for

her right to healing and companionship. With her permission, our attorney contacted her psychiatrist, explained the laws surrounding emotional support animals, and gained the necessary trust and releases. The moment her psychiatrist realized the profound impact an emotional support animal could have on Mary, she agreed to write a letter of support to the landlord.

The road ahead was not without challenges. The landlord requested a meeting to discuss the potential accommodation. Before the meeting, MidPenn's attorney spoke with the program director, outlining Mary's need and requesting the accommodation under the Fair Housing Act. To his surprise, they listened. While they had legitimate concerns about how such an arrangement would work within their supportive program, they were open to exploring solutions.

Together, we crafted guidelines that ensured the animal's care without violating any legal protections. The meeting was productive, filled with empathy and understanding. By the end, the room buzzed with a shared commitment to making this work. The next day, Mary welcomed a tiny kitten into her life, a soft, purring source of comfort and joy.

Weeks later, our attorney received a heartfelt thank you card from Mary. Without intervention, Mary's quest for healing could have jeopardized her stability. Instead, she found not only the companionship she longed for but also the confidence that her voice—and her needs—mattered.



## A Father's Fight: Protecting His Daughter with the Power of Advocacy

A MidPenn Legal Services' advocate hero stepped in at a critical moment when a father was fighting desperately to protect the safety and well-being of his four-year-old daughter. When he came to MidPenn, he was navigating a storm of fear and uncertainty. Recently separated from the child's mother, he discovered a deeply troubling situation: the mother had removed all food from the home and left their young daughter alone with her older sibling. Scared and unsure, the sibling called the police when the mother failed to return home. Authorities discovered the mother was experiencing a possible mental health crisis and was transported to a mental health facility to obtain the support she needed. While Children and Youth Services placed the child in her father's care, their future remained precarious without a custody order in place.

Recognizing the urgency, MidPenn's attorney acted swiftly, filing a Custody Complaint and a Petition for Special Relief. The request was clear: the mother's interactions with the child should only occur under supervised visits upon her release. The court agreed, granting the father primary custody and ensuring his daughter's safety. With tireless dedication, the attorney guided the father through multiple custody



conferences, reinforcing his primary custody status as the mother continued to face mental health challenges.

Ultimately, the court issued a Final Custody Order, cementing the father's primary custody and maintaining supervised visits for the mother. The judge acknowledged the father's unwavering commitment to creating a safe and nurturing environment for his daughter.

The father's relief and gratitude were profound. With the court's backing, he could protect his daughter while the mother continued her journey toward recovery. This outcome wasn't just a legal victory; it was a testament to resilience, hope, and the transformative power of advocacy in safeguarding what matters most—a child's safety, stability, and future.



# A Legacy of Dedication: Honoring Valerie Case's 55 Years of Service



Some careers are more than just jobs—they are lifelong callings. For Valerie Case, her journey began with what she fondly recalls as “a dynamite business law course” in high school. That spark of inspiration set her on the path to becoming a paralegal, leading her to a lifetime of service at MidPenn Legal Services. Starting on December 15, 1969—just a day before her 20th birthday—Valerie

began a remarkable career that would span over five decades, transforming countless lives along the way.

Today, as Valerie retires, we celebrate not just her tenure but the incredible impact she has had on Lancaster County and beyond. Over 55 years, she has handled every imaginable case, from social security and disability claims to family law, unemployment disputes, and homelessness advocacy. Valerie’s work has been a lifeline for people facing some of the most difficult challenges of their lives.

Her clients often express heartfelt gratitude through thank-you letters, praising Valerie for her professionalism, compassion, and solid respect. She has given a voice to those who often feel voiceless, ensuring they are heard, represented, and treated with dignity.

But Valerie’s impact extends far beyond individual cases. She has been a pioneer, influencing changes in laws and policies to create a more just society. Her work has been a pillar of hope and stability for everyone who has come to her with a legal issue.

Valerie Case’s legacy will remain a source of inspiration, as her firm dedication to justice, steadfast advocacy for the underserved, and deep compassion for those in need have set a benchmark for us all to aspire to.

As we bid her farewell, we thank Valerie for her 55 years of service and wish her a retirement filled with joy, relaxation, and all the happiness she so richly deserves. Valerie, you’ve been a beacon of hope and change, and your work will never be forgotten. Congratulations on your retirement!

## DRIVING change

Access to Justice Awards 2023



PA State Representative Torren C. Ecker, Michael Pykosh, Esq., MidPenn Board Chair, PA State Representative Sheryl M. Delozier, PA State Senator Greg Rothman



Guest Speaker - Chad Dion Lassiter, Executive Director, PA Human Relations Commission



Since 2020, the Access to Justice Awards have been a cornerstone event every September, celebrating local justice heroes who champion the cause of equal access to justice. The event honors those who have supported and advanced MidPenn’s mission of providing high-quality, free legal representation to those who need it most. These unsung heroes - volunteer attorneys, government officials, and partner law firms - work tirelessly to improve the lives of our clients and strengthen the communities where we live and work. Their dedication ensures impactful legal services reach those facing the greatest barriers to justice.

Congratulations to Thomas D. O’Shea, Esq. recipient of the Donald F. Smith, Jr., Pro Bono Award and Dethlefs Pykosh & Murphy recipient of the Law Firm of the Year award.



In October 2023, MidPenn Attorneys Judith Kline and Angelica Matias represented MidPenn Legal Services at the Albright Resource Fair in Reading. They engaged with college students, providing valuable insights into the array of legal services MidPenn offers. By connecting with the next generation, Judith and Angelica highlighted how accessible legal aid can empower individuals and strengthen communities.



The York County Bar Foundation is deeply committed to advancing access to justice within our community. Earlier in 2023, the Foundation awarded \$92,500 in grants and alternative pro bono service funding to MidPenn Legal Services. These critical funds are helping to sustain and enhance pro bono services while preserving a much-needed family law attorney position in MidPenn's York office.



MidPenn Legal Services Attorney Dan Handley was a featured speaker at an **Older and Wiser seminar** earlier this year, held at The Woods in Lower Allen Township. The seminar provided valuable insights and resources tailored to older adults in our community. We extend our heartfelt thanks to **PA State Representative Sheryl Delozier** for her dedication to making these impactful events possible, ensuring that older adults are informed, empowered, and supported.



Left: In August 2023, pro bono volunteers from the Berks County Bar Association and MidPenn Legal Services collaborated with the LGBT Center of Greater Reading to host a Name Change Clinic. This empowering event provided critical legal assistance to individuals seeking to align their legal identities with their true selves.

# communities



On May 1st, MidPenn Managing Attorney Nicole Sipe accepted a grant award of \$15,000 from the Adams County Bar Foundation to support a custody contract attorney position in Adams County. The grant expands the legal resources available in Adams County. Through the grant, Attorney Andrea Singley can provide legal assistance in custody issues to low-income individuals who would otherwise not be able to afford an attorney. Many thanks to the Adams County Bar Foundation for supporting this project for over 10 years.



“Your efforts related to investigating and combatting domestic violence and sexual assault cases helps the task force’s effort to reduce the impact and incidence of domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking and dating violence in Adams County.”

MidPenn Managing Attorney Nicole Sipe took part in the Adams County Domestic Violence/Sexual Assault Task Force awards breakfast. Local police departments and staff were honored for their work in domestic violence/sexual assault cases. Attorney Sipe is one of the co-chairs for the Task Force.



MidPenn Director of Development Eliz Nestorov attended the MIE 2023 National Fundraising Conference and Directors Conference in Chicago, IL.



MidPenn Managing Attorneys Jill Copeland, Katie Wentzel and Ryan Cummins attended the Management Information Exchange Supervising Legal Work training in Pittsburgh. It was a great opportunity to exchange ideas with other legal services managers that benefit our staff and clients.



MidPenn Legal Services’ Executive Director Rhodia Thomas with Lt. Gov. Austin Davis at the Pennsylvania Legal Aid Network Excellence Awards.

**2023-2024**  
**SOCIAL MEDIA**  
**REACH**

 **7.5k**

 **246**

 **1341**



In October 2023, MidPenn Legal Services proudly hosted its second Inclusion, Diversity, Equity, and Accessibility in Legal Aid (I.D.E.A.L.) Conversation Breakfast at the Center for Community Engagement in York County. The panel included: **Nicole Shaffer**, Co-Chair for Confronting Racism and Director of Her Traditions Bank, **Dominic DelliCaprini**, Dean of the Center for Community Engagement and Nayol Endowed Professor of Writing Studies at York College of Pennsylvania, **Jose Santiago**, Director of the New American Welcoming Center at the YMCA of the Roses in York County, and **Rhodia D. Thomas, Esq.**, Executive Director of MidPenn Legal Services.



MidPenn Legal Services' Justice & Equity Center was honored with a Torch Award by the World Affairs Council of Harrisburg on May 22nd.



Congratulations to MidPenn Legal Services Deputy Director for Legal Advocacy Laurie Baughman!

Laurie was recognized with the 2024 Louise Herr award for her dedication and service to the legal community by the Lancaster Bar Foundation.

EMPOWERING  
**communities**



MidPenn Legal Services Attorneys Schawne Kilgus, Yinet Perez Vega and Kathryn Dales attended the PA Bar Association Young Lawyer Division' Summer Summit earlier this year in Boalsburg. It was a great opportunity for networking and professional development.



MidPenn Legal Services was proud to be part of the Expungement and Pardon Clinic held in May of 2024. We worked with the Pardon Project of York County along with The Program "It's About Change", the York County (PA) Bar Association/York County Bar Foundation and the York County Clerk of Courts to help 50 individuals seeking a fresh start.



Jayelene Williamson, MidPenn Legal Service's Coordinated Intake Manager attended the United Way of Mifflin-Juniata's Partner Agency Meeting. The United Way provides funding for our Help is on the Line Project in Mifflin and Juniata Counties. Individuals can call us at 1-800-326-9177 to get legal advice about issues involving housing and consumer law.





MidPenn's Director of Development, Eliz Nestorov, attended the 2023 Refugee Health and Wellness Fair, hosted by the International Services Center, Harrisburg, PA. The event brought together a diverse community from across Central PA, offering valuable information about local human service resources and showcasing a global cuisine and fashion that celebrated the unique traditions and stories of our region's refugee and immigrant populations.



MidPenn Legal Services Attorney and Adams County Bar President Kathryn Dales giving her remarks at the 2024 Conference of County Bar Leaders.

## 2023-2024 ONLINE GIVING CAMPAIGNS

### Pursuing Justice - Improving Lives

June 27 & 28, 2024

### Centre Gives

May 8-9, 2024

### Give Local York

May 2-3, 2024

### Giving Tuesday

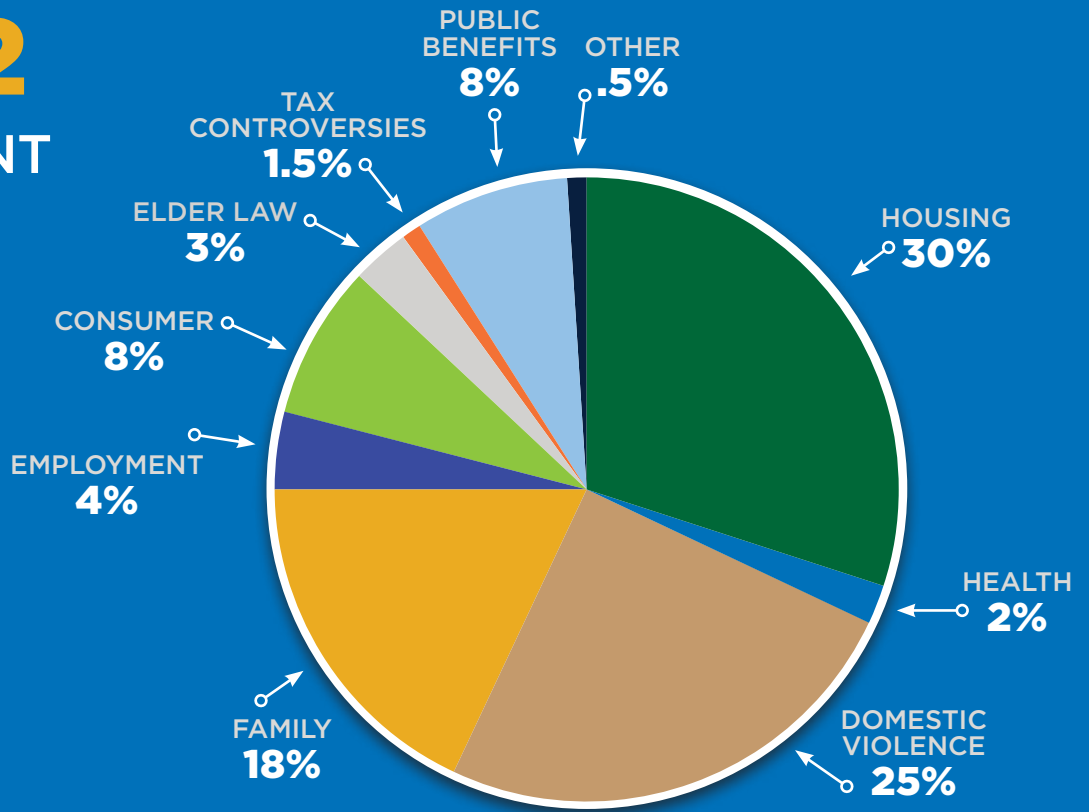
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### Extraordinary Give

November 17, 2023

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## HOURS SPENT ON CASES



Fiscal Year 23-24 Overview	MidPenn Staff	Volunteer Attorneys	Total	%
Housing	2,927	114	3,041	30%
Domestic Violence	2,453	63	2,516	25%
Family	1,212	655	1,867	18%
Consumer	684	100	784	8%
Employment	337	77	414	4%
Elder Law	306	32	338	3%
Tax Controversies	152	0	152	1.5%
Public Benefits	726	75	801	8%
Health	215	2	217	2%
Other	41	15	56	.5%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>9,053</b>	<b>1,133</b>	<b>10,186</b>	<b>100%</b>

**113**  
outreach events

**22,320**  
adults and children  
benefited from  
MidPenn's advocacy

**\$11,579,375**  
in savings and economic  
benefits to MidPenn clients  
and their communities

Revenues and Other Support	2024	2023
Contracts and grants	\$ 12,219,696	\$ 10,911,168
Contributions:		
Non-financial assets	\$ 886,154	\$ 896,548
Other	\$ 77,245	\$ 79,781
Investment Income	\$ 302,732	\$ 201,019
Net realized & unrealized gain (loss) on investments	\$ 428,387	\$ 78,946
Other	\$ 40,502	\$ 15,967
<b>Total Revenue and Other Support</b>	<b>\$ 13,954,716</b>	<b>\$ 12,183,429</b>
 <b>Expenses</b>		
Program Services	\$ 11,296,046	\$ 10,337,793
Management and general	\$ 1,610,683	\$ 1,021,971
Fundraising	\$ 18,221	\$ 15,844
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 12,924,950</b>	<b>\$ 11,375,608</b>

## Major Funders

Adams County Bar Association	Dauphin County Dept. of Community and Economic Development	Pennsylvania Interest on Lawyer Trust Accounts Board
Adams County Commissioners	Domestic Violence Services of Cumberland & Perry Counties	Pennsylvania Legal Aid Network
Adams County Community Foundation	Eastern District of PA Bankruptcy Conference	SafeBerks
Adams County Office of Aging	Franklin County Bar Association	Schuylkill County Commissioners
Administrative Office of Pennsylvania Courts	Hershey Company	Schuylkill County Office of Senior Services
Alexander Stewart, M.D. Foundation	Huntingdon-Bedford-Fulton Area Agency on Aging	State College Community Land Trust
AmeriHealth Caritas Pennsylvania	Internal Revenue Service	Summit Legal Aid
Big Springs Area Community Chest	Lancaster Bar Association	United Way of Bedford County
Blair County Bar Association	Lancaster Bar Foundation	United Way of Berks County
Campbell's Soup	Lancaster County Office of Aging	United Way of the Capital Region
Centre County Housing and Land Trust	Lark Family Fund	United Way of Carlisle & Cumberland County
Centre County Office of Aging	Lebanon County Area Agency on Aging	United Way of Franklin County
Centre Foundation	Lebanon County Bar Association	United Way of Mifflin-Juniata
Commonwealth of Pennsylvania - The Unified Judicial System of Pennsylvania	Legal Services Corporation	United Way of the Southern Alleghenies
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Cumberland County Bar Foundation	North Penn Legal Services	Veterans Multi-Service Center
Dauphin County Bar Association	Penn State Dickinson Law	WellSpan Health/York Hospital
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