



MidPenn Legal Services Clearfield County Office 2018-2019 Fact Sheet



MidPenn is free civil legal aid. We are a legal emergency room for the poor. We provide advice and counsel to help very low-income families solve problems and get back on track.

Case Types: We handle critical civil matters: child custody, domestic violence, housing, elder law, public benefits and consumer. We do not handle criminal cases.

Mission: MidPenn Legal Services is a non-profit law firm providing free civil legal aid to low-income families in crisis.

Vision: We seek orderly resolutions for poor families with critical legal problems. We protect personal safety, stabilize housing, secure income, and obtain health care for those with nowhere else to turn.

Clearfield County Statistics:	<u>2010</u>	<u>2018</u>
Total Population	76,375	79,388
Residents below the poverty level*	14.7%	15.3%
Households Receiving Food Stamps	14.2%	17.7%
Poverty Population*	11,909	11,440

*The U.S. Census Bureau excludes institutionalized people, people in military group quarters, college dorms and unrelated individuals under 15 years old when calculating poverty rates.

**Clearfield County Residents Eligible
for Legal Aid**
(at 125% of poverty level)
15,852

Clearfield County Fiscal Year 18-19 Overview	MidPenn Staff	Volunteer Attorney	Total	%
Family	46	13	59	19%
Domestic Violence/Sexual Violence Intimidation	124	1	125	39%
Housing	51	0	51	16%
Public Benefits	19	0	19	6%
Consumer	35	2	37	12%
Employment	12	0	12	4%
Other	12	1	13	4%
TOTAL	299	17	316	100.00%

2,973.9 hours spent on cases.
599 residents in Clearfield County benefited from MidPenn's advocacy.
\$16,789.04 in savings and economic benefits to Clearfield County clients and their communities.

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