



Pursuing Justice - Improving Lives

2020-2021 Fact Sheet

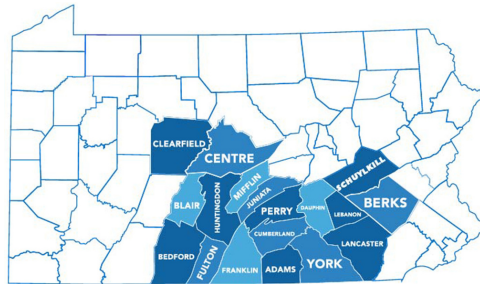
Berks County

MidPenn is free civil legal aid.

MidPenn Legal Services is a non-profit law firm providing free civil legal aid to low-income families in crisis. We provide legal advice and counsel to help very low-income families solve problems that focus on improving their personal safety, family stability and economic security. MidPenn attorneys and paralegals handle cases involving domestic violence, housing law, public benefits, expungement, supportive benefits, consumer law, family law, tax controversies and elder law.

MidPenn Berks County

Office Location: 501 Washington Street, #401, Reading, PA 19601



- Population: 421,164
- Poverty Population: 48,581
- Eligible For Legal Aid: 64,775

MidPenn's Funders

The Pennsylvania Legal Aid Network provides 49.8% of our funding from various sources including, Interest on Lawyer Trust Accounts, state and federal Title XX, filing fee add-ons, and the Disability Advocacy Project. The Legal Services Corporation provides 20.3% of our funds. Additional support comes from the United Way of Berks County, Eastern District Bankruptcy Conference, AIDSNet/Co-County Wellness, PA Commission on Crime and Delinquency and individual donors.

Berks County Year in Review

	MidPenn Staff	Volunteer Attorneys	Total	%
Housing	393	37	430	40%
Domestic Violence	112	3	115	11%
Family	227	64	291	27%
Consumer	60	14	74	7%
Public Benefits	126	17	143	13%
Other	22	7	29	2%
Total	940	142	1082	

- 15,238 hours spent on cases.
- \$17,973 in savings and economic benefits to MidPenn clients and their communities.
- 1,798 adults and children benefited from MidPenn's advocacy.

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