



## MidPenn Legal Services Clearfield County Office 2019-2020 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.

<b>Clearfield County Statistics:</b>	<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

<b>Clearfield County Fiscal Year 19-20 Overview</b>	<b>MidPenn Staff</b>	<b>Volunteer Attorney</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>%</b>
Family	58	11	69	23%
Domestic Violence/Sexual Violence Intimidation	132	0	132	43%
Housing	28	0	28	9%
Public Benefits	32	0	32	11%
Consumer	23	2	25	8%
Employment	10	0	10	3%
Other	8	0	8	3%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>291</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>304</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

**2,511.2 hours spent on cases.**  
**583 residents in Clearfield County benefited from MidPenn's advocacy.**  
**\$2,400 in savings and economic benefits to Clearfield County clients and their communities.**

**Funding:** The Pennsylvania Legal Aid Network provides 50.3% 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 23.4% of our funds. Additional support comes from individual donors.

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