



**MidPenn Legal Services  
Mifflin and Juniata Counties Office  
2017-2018 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>County Statistics</b>	<b>Mifflin County</b>		<b>Juniata County</b>	
	2010	2017	2010	2017
Total Population	45,910	46,388	24,279	24,514
Residents below the poverty level*	10.3%	14.6%	8.3%	13.2%
Food Stamp recipients	12.8%	18.6%	6.8%	9.1%
Poverty Population*	4,798	6,671	2,024	3,236

\*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.

<p><b><u>Mifflin Residents Eligible for Legal Aid</u></b> (at 125% of poverty level) 10,066</p> <p><b><u>Juniata County Residents Eligible for Legal Aid</u></b> (at 125% of poverty level) 4,486</p>
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<b>Mifflin-Juniata Counties Fiscal Year 17-18 Overview</b>	<b>MidPenn Staff</b>	<b>Volunteer Attorney</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>%</b>
Family	35	1	36	12%
Domestic Violence/Sexual Assault/Intimidation	48	0	48	19%
Housing	54	0	54	23%
Public Benefits	34	0	34	19%
Consumer	51	8	59	16%
Employment/Expungement	11	0	11	6%
Other	8	6	14	5%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>241</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>256</b>	<b>100%</b>

**4,151.6 hours spent on cases.**  
**459 residents in Mifflin & Juniata Counties benefited from MidPenn's advocacy.**  
**\$408,677.24 in savings and economic benefits to Mifflin & Juniata County clients and their communities.**

**Funding:** The Pennsylvania Legal Aid Network provides 42% 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 32% of our funds. Additional support comes from the United Way of Mifflin-Juniata and individual donations.

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