



MidPenn Legal Services 2018-2019 Fact Sheet



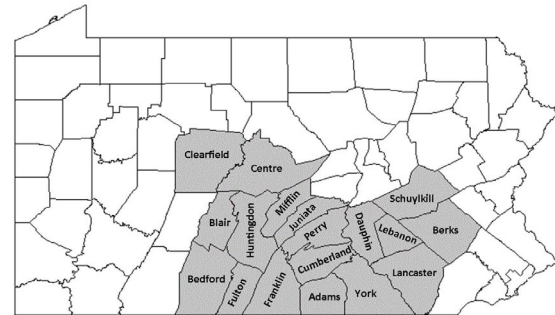
MidPenn is free civil legal aid. MidPenn Legal Services is a non-profit law firm providing free civil legal aid to low-income families in crisis. We are a legal emergency room for the poor. We provide advice and counsel to help very low-income families solve problems and get back on track.

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

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.

MidPenn Service Area Statistics:	<u>2010</u>	<u>2018</u>
Total Population	2,896,218	3,066,081
Residents below the poverty level*	9.0%	12%
Households Receiving Food Stamps	3.8%	11%
Poverty Population*	309,929	346,406
Residents financially eligible for legal aid at 125% of poverty level	388,949	459,631

*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.



Our Service Area

Fiscal Year 18-19 Overview	MidPenn Staff	Volunteer Attorneys	Total	%
Family	1627	950	2577	25%
Domestic Violence/Sexual Violence/Intimidation	2379	96	2475	24%
Housing	2394	74	2468	24%
Public Benefits	757	45	802	8%
Consumer	739	221	960	9%
Health	144	0	144	1%
Employment/Expungement	280	81	361	4%
Elder Law	190	47	234	2%
Taxes, Other	197	44	247	3%
TOTAL	8710	1558	10268	100.00%

106,058 hours spent on cases.

19,349 residents in our service area benefited from MidPenn's advocacy.

\$3,749,113 in savings and economic benefits to MidPenn clients and their communities.

Funding: The Pennsylvania Legal Aid Network provides 43% 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 28% of our funds. Additional support comes from United Ways, bar associations, local groups, private foundations, and individuals. MidPenn also has state, county and local government contracts.

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