



MidPenn Legal Services York 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.

York County Statistics:	<u>2010</u>	<u>2018</u>
Total Population	428,348	448,273
Residents below the poverty level*	9.0%	10.3%
Food Stamp recipients	6.5%	11.1%
Poverty Population*	38,535	44,528

*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.

**York County Residents Eligible for
Legal Aid**
(at 125% of poverty level)
60,955

York County Fiscal Year 18-19 Overview	MidPenn Staff	Volunteer Attorney	Total	%
Family	89	87	176	17%
Domestic Violence/Sexual Assault/Intimidation	266	64	330	32%
Housing	232	20	252	24%
Public Benefits	40	10	50	5%
Consumer	57	48	105	10%
Employment/Expungement	33	62	95	9%
Other	27	1	28	3%
TOTAL	744	292	1036	100.00%

**11,138.7 spent on cases.
1,306 residents in York County benefited from MidPenn's advocacy.
\$934,575.30 in savings and economic benefits to York County clients and their communities.**

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