



Seniors in Lancaster
County can apply for help
by calling:

1-800-326-9177

TTY and translation services are available.

www.midpenn.org



OTHER RESOURCES

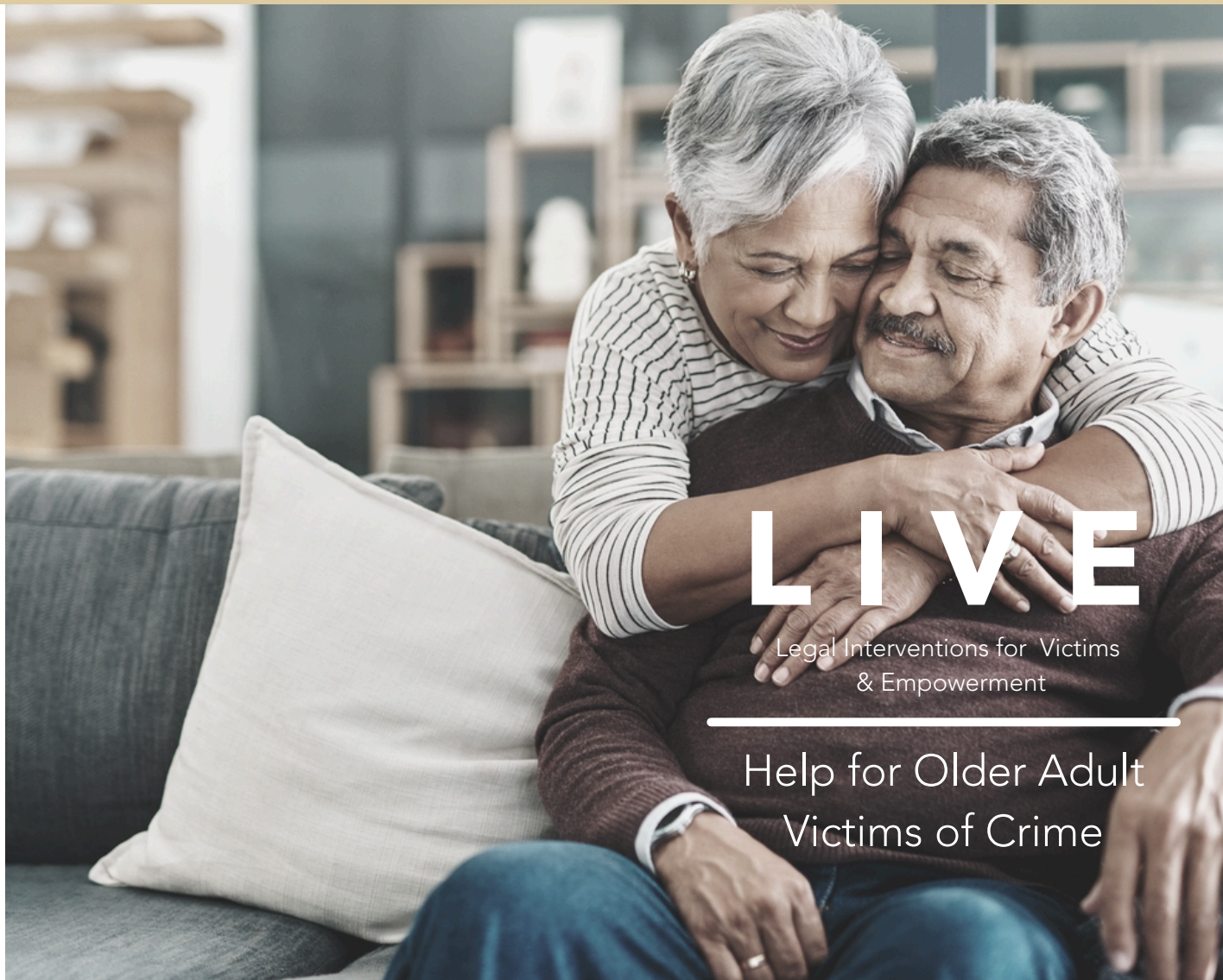
Area Agency on Aging
717-299-7979

PA Link to Aging and Disability Resources -
Berks-Lancaster-Lebanon Service Area
<https://berkslancasterlebanonlink.org>
Domestic Violence Legal Clinic
717-291-5826

Victim/Witness Services
Office of the District Attorney
717-299-8048

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Legal Interventions for Victims
& Empowerment

Help for Older Adult
Victims of Crime

WHAT IS LEGAL AID?

MidPenn Legal Services is a 501c(3) non-profit law firm that receives funding to provide free civil legal services to low-income residents and survivors of domestic violence and sexual assault in 18 counties in Central Pennsylvania.

MidPenn provides legal advocacy to older adults who are or have suffered physical or financial abuse.

We can assist in many ways including obtaining protection orders after physical or sexual abuse, or intervening on behalf of the victim with creditors, landlords and other service providers after financial exploitation.



WHO IS A VICTIM?

Have you:

- Been hit, harmed, or made to feel afraid around your spouse or other family members?
- Had a caregiver or family member who has stolen money, medication, or valuables?
- Fallen for telephone, door-to-door, or internet scams?
- Had your identity stolen?

As a caregiver or concerned relative, have you:

- Met people who inappropriately take all of the older adult's money leaving the older adult with no money for rent or food?
- Noticed an older adult suddenly retreat from long-term relationships and start to trust a person that is unknown to any family or friends?

WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

Residents of Lancaster County aged 60 or older and victims of a crime such as identity theft, financial exploitation, physical or sexual abuse or any other civil legal issue which is a direct result of one of these crimes.

You do not need to have called the police or file charges to get help.

WHAT HELP IS AVAILABLE

Types of assistance may include:

- Protection orders from abuse —either physical or sexual
- Replacement of Powers of Attorney or Guardianship
- Intervention with creditors or help with Landlord/Tenant issues