



MidPenn Legal Services
Adams County 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.

Adams County Statistics:	<u>2010</u>	<u>2017</u>
Total Population	97,040	102,336
Residents below poverty level*	7.6%	9.4%
Households Receiving Food Stamps	4.4%	8.0%
Poverty Population*	7,343	9,152

*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>Adams County Residents Financially Eligible for Legal Aid (at 125% of poverty level) 13,406</p>

Adams County Fiscal Year 17-18 Overview	MidPenn Staff	Volunteer Attorneys	Total	%
Family	25	74	99	22%
Domestic Violence/Sexual Violence/Intimidation	203	0	203	45%
Housing	81	0	81	18%
Public Benefits	11	0	11	2%
Consumer	34	7	41	9%
Health	7	0	7	2%
Other	10	1	11	2%
TOTAL	371	82	453	100.00%
<p>3,532.7 hours spent on cases. 927 residents in Adams County benefited from MidPenn's advocacy. \$97,064.52 in savings and economic benefits to Adams County clients and their communities.</p>				

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