

**MidPenn Legal Services
Centre/Huntingdon County Office
Fact Sheet**

Mission: We provide critical help for those with critical needs. We are the legal safety net for low-income persons and for domestic violence survivors in Centre and Huntingdon Counties. We aim to provide the best service available to the greatest number of clients. We advise and represent on civil issues: domestic violence, custody, housing, health care, consumer, elder law and public benefits. The largest part of our caseload is family law cases. We do not handle criminal cases.

Funding: Government funding is our primary source of funding. The Pennsylvania Legal Assistance Network (PLAN) provides 46% of our funds. PLAN distributes IOLTA and Title XX monies. The Legal Services Corporation (LSC) provides 31% of our funds. Additional monies are obtained from local groups, private foundations, and individuals. We receive funding from the Centre County United Way, Centre County Office of Aging, Centre County Bar Association, State College Community Land Trust and Huntingdon-Bedford-Fulton Area Agency on Aging.

Centre County Statistics:

Huntingdon County Statistics:

	<u>2000</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2000</u>	<u>2008</u>
Residents living below the poverty level	16.75%	15.0%	10.16%	12.1%
Food Stamp recipients	2.3%	4.6%	6.0%	10.0%
Eligible for Medical Assistance	5.4%	8.0%	12.8%	17.3%
Poverty Population	22,742	21,717	4,631	5,512

Centre/Huntingdon - FY0809 Cases Handled	MidPenn	Pro Bono	Total	%
Consumer	189	22	211	18.6%
Education	0	2	2	0.2%
Employment	25	0	25	2.2%
Family	428	27	455	40.1%
Health	36	1	37	3.3%
Housing	213	1	214	18.9%
Income Maintenance	147	0	147	13.0%
Other/Multiple Topics	25	19	44	3.9%
TOTAL	1063	72	1135	100.0%

MidPenn advocates spent 4,872.70 hours on cases in Centre and Huntingdon Counties in fiscal year 2008-2009.

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