

**MidPenn Legal Services
York 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 York County. 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 involves 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 York County Area Agency on Aging, the United Way of York, the York County Bar Association/Foundation and the business and bar leaders' support of the York MidPenn Advisory Board Family Law Campaign.

York County Statistics:

	<u>2000</u>	<u>2008</u>
Residents living below the poverty level	6.6%	8.0%
Food Stamp recipients	2.4%	7.6%
Eligible for Medical Assistance	6.5%	12.4%
Poverty Population	25,269	33,967

York - FY0809 Cases Handled	MidPenn	Pro Bono	Total	%
Consumer	147	56	203	18.0%
Employment	17	2	19	1.7%
Family	312	109	421	37.3%
Health	1	0	1	0.1%
Housing	327	5	332	29.4%
Income Maintenance	111	32	143	12.7%
Individual Rights	0	0	0	0.0%
Other/Multiple Topics	8	2	10	0.9%
TOTAL	923	206	1129	100.0%

MidPenn advocates spent 5,494.70 hours on cases in York County in fiscal year 2008-2009.

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