

**MidPenn Legal Services
Adams 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 Adams 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 48% of our funds. PLAN distributes funds earned as interest on legal escrow accounts (IOLTA) and federal Title XX monies. The Legal Services Corporation (LSC) provides 38% of our funds. Additional monies are obtained from local groups, private foundations, and individuals. We receive funding from the United Way of Adams County, the Adams County Commissioners, and the Adams County Bar Association.

Adams County Statistics:

	<u>2000</u>	<u>2009</u>
Residents living below the poverty level	6.8%	5.7%
Food Stamp recipients	2.1%	3.3%
Eligible for Medical Assistance	6.6%	9.8%
Poverty Population	6235	5832

Adams – FY 09-10 Cases Handled	MidPenn	Volunteer Attorney	Total	%
Consumer	1526	323	1849	12.5%
Education	5	29	34	0.2%
Employment	214	17	231	1.6%
Family	5116	1437	6553	44.2%
Juvenile	3	4	7	0.0%
Health	279	5	284	1.9%
Housing	3299	68	3367	22.7%
Income Maintenance	1924	311	2235	15.1%
Individual Rights	8	4	12	0.1%
Other/Multiple Topics	183	62	245	1.7%
TOTAL	12557	2260	14817	100.0%

MidPenn advocates spent 1514.80 hours on cases in Adams County in fiscal year 2009-2010.

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