

**MidPenn Legal Services  
Dauphin and Perry Counties 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 Dauphin and Perry Counties. 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 Aid Network (PLAN) provides 46% of our funds. PLAN distributes funds earned as interest on legal escrow accounts (IOLTA) and federal Title XX monies. The Legal Services Corporation provides 35% of our funds. Additional monies are obtained from local groups, private foundations, and individuals. We also receive funding from the United Way of the Capital Region, the Dauphin County Bar Association and the Victims of Crime Act.

Dauphin County Statistics:      Perry County Statistics:

	<u>2000</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2000</u>	<u>2009</u>
Residents living below poverty level	9.4%	13.3%	7.5%	8.6%
Food Stamp recipients	4.8%	9.2%	3.3%	7.1 %
Eligible for Medical Assistance	10.1%	16.3%	8.0%	11.9%
Poverty Population	23,706	34,438	3,286	3,913

<b>Dauphin/Perry – FY 10-11 Cases Handled</b>	<b>MidPenn</b>	<b>Volunteer Attorney</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>%</b>
Consumer	180	74	254	17.0%
Education	0	1	1	0.2%
Employment	57	0	57	2.7%
Family	350	201	551	30.8%
Domestic Violence	74	1	75	5.4%
Housing	569	17	586	30.9%
Income Maintenance	138	114	252	12.0%
Other/Multiple Topics	3	1	4	0.9%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1371</b>	<b>409</b>	<b>1780</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

MidPenn advocates spent 5,921.60 hours on cases in Dauphin and Perry Counties in fiscal year 2010-2011.

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