

**MidPenn Legal Services
Lebanon 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 Lebanon County. 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 (LSC) provides 35% of our funds. Additional monies are obtained from local groups, private foundations, and individuals. We receive funding from the Lebanon Area Agency on Aging, the United Way of Lebanon County, and the Lebanon County Bar Association.

Lebanon County Statistics:

	<u>2000</u>	<u>2009</u>
Residents living below the poverty level	7.0%	8.5%
Food Stamp recipients	3.3%	7.7%
Eligible for Medical Assistance	8.5%	14.0%
Poverty Population	8,728	11,078

Lebanon - FY 10-11 Cases Handled	MidPenn	Volunteer Attorney	Total	%
Consumer	89	20	109	12.37%
Employment	8	0	8	.91%
Family	93	242	335	38.02%
Domestic Violence	178	9	187	21.20%
Juvenile	1	0	1	.11%
Housing	160	13	173	19.64%
Income Maintenance	58	6	64	7.30%
Other/Multiple Topics	4	0	4	.45%
TOTAL	591	290	881	100.00%

MidPenn advocates spent 1,776.70 hours on cases in Lebanon County in fiscal year 2010-2011.

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