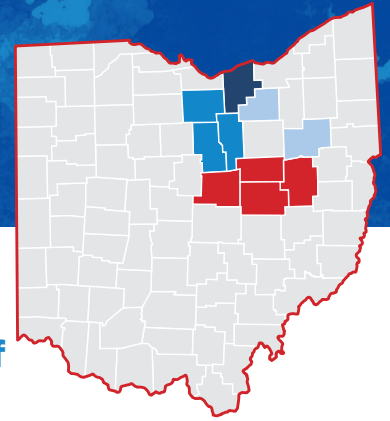


LEGAL AID

is changing lives in District 7



Ohio's legal aid organizations provide essential legal services to help Ohioans resolve their legal issues so they can live safer, healthier, and more financially stable lives. **Legal Aid of Western Ohio, Ohio State Legal Services Association, The Legal Aid Society of Cleveland** and **Community Legal Aid** serve District 7.

2,371



children achieved safety and security

5,794

constituents served

Legal aid assisted

611

domestic violence survivors

Legal aid helped

863 seniors



229 veterans received legal help



ENSURING FINANCIAL STABILITY FOR A VETERAN SUFFERING FROM COVID



Ross Anderson,* a 71-year-old Navy veteran, worked as a bus driver for a senior center when he tested positive for COVID-19 and spent ten days in the hospital. Mr. Anderson applied for unemployment benefits, but because his earnings were below the average weekly wage required by law, his application for traditional unemployment benefits was denied. At a loss for what to do next, Mr. Anderson contacted legal aid for help.

Legal aid determined that the best course of action for Mr. Anderson was to apply for Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA). Legal aid helped him complete the application, which was approved. Mr. Anderson received back payments as well as

monthly PUA payments until he was fully recovered and able to return to work. Thanks to the federal government's emergency response and legal aid, Mr. Anderson successfully navigated the pandemic and maintained his stability.

*Name and photo have been changed to protect client privacy.

Every dollar spent on legal aid returns



to our communities, a **290% ROI.**