# Legal Aid is Improving Lives in DISTRICT 2

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. Robust funding for the Legal Services Corporation (LSC) is critical to ensuring that Ohio's legal aids are able to help low-income Ohioans resolve civil legal challenges.

#### THE PROBLEM



Millions of low-income Americans do not have access to justice in civil court cases affecting their housing, their finances, and their families because they cannot afford legal representation.

## THE SOLUTION

Providing robust, federal financial support for Ohio's legal aids ensures that attorneys are available to help your constituents stabilize their housing, seal past criminal records to get better jobs, and protect themselves from domestic violence. THE ASK



Please increase funding for LSC. This would mean additional funding for Ohio's legal aids.

"[Legal aid] doesn't tell you that you're at the bottom of your bucket and you'll never crawl out. They're like, 'there's a ladder somewhere, and we're going to help you find it.'"

> - Vanetta Jamison, former legal aid client and former board president of The Legal Aid Society of Cleveland



# Serving Your Constituents in DISTRICT 2



#### Keeping a Veteran Stably Housed

Andrea Conrad\* is a proud Army veteran and mother of a 4-year-old. Ms. Conrad worked hard to provide for her child, but during the pandemic, she lost her job and eventually fell behind on her rent. Ms. Conrad's landlord filed an eviction against her. Ms. Conrad tried to resolve the matter by applying to Ohio's rental assistance program for help, but she didn't know how to get the money to her landlord. Unsure what to do, Ms. Conrad contacted legal aid for help.

Legal aid stepped in and worked with Ms. Conrad's landlord to ensure that the landlord could be made whole and that Ms. Conrad could remain in the apartment. Legal aid also helped Ms. Conrad qualify for two additional months of rental assistance, further benefiting her landlord. Thanks to legal aid, Ms. Conrad's landlord agreed to dismiss the eviction, and Ms. Conrad and her preschooler remain stably housed.

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

# In 2022, legal aid helped 6,602 Ohioans in District 2, including:



# 2,362 Children



### 298 Veterans



## **1,274** Seniors



276 Domestic Violence Survivors

### Contact your local legal aid:

Brown, Clermont, Clinton, Highland



Adams, Fayette, Gallia, Hocking, Jackson, Lawrence, Meigs, Pickaway, Pike, Ross, Scioto, Vinton

