# LEGAL AID IMPROVES LIVES IN DISTRICT 13

Ohio's civil legal aid organizations provide essential legal services to help Ohioans resolve their legal issues. Robust funding for the Legal Services Corporation (LSC) is critical to ensuring that Ohio's legal aids can help low-income Ohioans resolve civil legal challenges and live safer, healthier, and more financially stable lives.

### In 2023, legal aid helped 7,227 Ohioans in District 13.

### Helping Ohioans remove barriers to employment to access brighter, more prosperous futures

Legal aid helps to grow Ohio's workforce and strengthen the economy by removing barriers to employment. For low-income Ohioans with a suspended driver's license, legal aid helps workers navigate the reinstatement process so they can get to work reliably. Legal aid also helps Ohioans seeking to seal or expunge criminal records, opening doors to better jobs and higher wages.



**7** Ohioans helped

to reinstate driver's licenses

**66** Ohioans helped to seal or expunge criminal records





# SERVING YOUR CONSTITUENTS IN DISTRICT 13

### In 2023, legal aid helped Ohioans in District 13, including:



**3,180** Children



277 Veterans



908 Seniors



763 Domestic violence survivors

#### Contact your local legal aid:

Stark, Summit



## Helping a domestic violence survivor gain safety

Escaping from an abusive marriage takes courage and a network of support. Carmen Jones,\* a young mother of four small children, was suffering relentless abuse from her husband. The abuse tragically extended to Ms. Jones' children, who experienced verbal and physical attacks from Mr. Jones. Desperate to protect her children, Ms. Jones reported her husband's abuse and obtained a temporary restraining order. However, her husband violated the order several times. After reaching out to her county's domestic violence shelter for help, the shelter referred Ms. Jones to legal aid.

Ms. Jones' legal aid attorney was able to demonstrate to the court that Ms. Jones and her children were suffering from her husband's ongoing abuse. The court granted Ms. Jones a five-year Civil Protection Order. Ms. Jones can now focus on healing as she works to rebuild a life of safety and security for her family.

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

