

# LEGAL AID IMPROVES LIVES IN DISTRICT 8

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

**30,915**

Ohioans in District 8.



## 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.



**107**

Ohioans helped to reinstate driver's licenses

**246**

Ohioans helped to seal or expunge criminal records



# SERVING YOUR CONSTITUENTS IN DISTRICT 8

In 2023, legal aid helped Ohioans  
in District 8, including:



**14,415**  
Children



**895**  
Veterans



**4,783**  
Seniors



**522**  
Domestic  
violence  
survivors

Contact your local legal aid:

Darke, Miami, Preble



Butler, Hamilton



## Fueling whole-life recovery, starting with a clean slate

The grace of a clean slate has the power to change lives for good. Veronica Mason,\* a victim of human trafficking, had tried hard to start over in life. For more than two years, she worked to stay sober. Thanks to her hard work and legal aid's help, Ms. Mason was able to establish visitation and shared custody with her eight-year-old daughter, who was in kinship care with her grandmother. When Ms. Mason's shared custody was threatened because she did not have a stable place to live, legal aid stepped in again to help.

Ms. Mason had applied for and was denied housing because of a criminal record related to her prior experience of being trafficked. Legal aid helped Ms. Mason seal her record, ensuring a clean slate and a path to new housing options. Thanks to the help she received from legal aid, Ms. Mason secured stable housing, which, in turn, allowed her to become the residential parent for her daughter, who is thriving in her mother's care.

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

