

LEGAL AID IMPROVES LIVES STATEWIDE

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

135,875

Ohioans statewide.



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.



765

Ohioans helped to reinstate driver's licenses

2,679

Ohioans helped to seal or expunge criminal records



SERVING YOUR CONSTITUENTS STATEWIDE

In 2023, legal aid helped Ohioans statewide, including:



58,981

Children



3,688

Veterans



18,273

Seniors



4,894

Domestic
violence
survivors

Preserving a family home for a proud veteran

Homeownership is a catalyst for security and generational wealth. For low-income Ohioans like Bernard McAllister,* the dream of security and wealth is lost if they don't legally own their home. Mr. McAllister, a proud veteran, lived in his family home for many years and wanted to maintain and update it. He sought help from legal aid when he learned that, despite his father willing the house to him and his siblings, he couldn't qualify for a home weatherization program because he didn't own the home.

With the full support of his siblings, who had moved out of state and weren't interested in living in the home in southeast Ohio, legal aid helped Mr. McAllister accomplish all the legal work necessary to transfer the deed to his name. Legally securing his family home not only gave Mr. McAllister stability and peace of mind, but it also enabled him to access the weatherization program, which will help him improve the home's energy efficiency, reduce his energy costs, and create an even more valuable asset for him to be able to share with future generations.

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

