

# Legal Aid Improves Lives in District 5

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 is critical to ensuring that Ohio's legal aids are able to help low-income Ohioans resolve civil legal challenges.

Helping remove barriers to employment for Ohioans eager to join, re-enter, and advance in the workforce.



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Ohioans helped to seal or expunge criminal records



**“Once my record was sealed, my life took off. I was able to purchase a home, obtain a full-time job, and boost my credit score. These past four years have been very productive and financially rewarding.”**

Jacquelyn Gaiman

# Serving Your Constituents in District 5

In 2024, legal aid helped Ohioans in District 5, including:



**1,686**

Children



**101**

Veterans



**588**

Seniors



**393**

Domestic  
Violence  
Survivors



**4,049**

Total  
Constituents



## Creating a Path to Safety for a Domestic Violence Survivor

When Ohioans take brave steps toward safer lives, they shouldn't have to manage it alone. Terry Roberts,\* a 20-year-old Navy veteran, suffered increasingly violent behavior from her husband. Fearing for her own and their child's safety, Mrs. Roberts contacted legal aid for help.

Legal aid first helped Mrs. Roberts obtain a Civil Protection Order. Then, when Mrs. Robert's husband filed for divorce in another county, legal aid represented Mrs. Roberts in the divorce proceeding. Through legal aid's holistic representation, Mrs. Roberts and her child were able to achieve long-term stability and independence, safe from her abuser.

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

Contact your local legal aid:

Crawford, Hancock, Henry, Huron,  
Mercer, Paulding, Putnam, Seneca,  
Van Wert, Wood, Wyandot



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