



2016 Annual Report



Advocating for Children and Families

Dear Friends:

2016 was a noteworthy year for Legal Aid. As the primary legal resource for low-income individuals and families in Southwest Ohio, Legal Aid was able to help 15,000 children and adults improve their situations as a result of our legal advice or representation.

We expanded partnerships with other non-profit organizations, and launched M-HeLP, the Maternal Health Law Partnership, to resolve housing, health coverage, and other issues for low-income pregnant women so they can focus on prenatal care and deliver healthy babies. Legal Aid is pleased to partner with TriHealth and Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center on M-HeLP. We were able to launch this innovative program thanks to an initial three-year grant from Bethesda Inc.

This year's Annual Report highlights programs that assist vulnerable children and families. Also in the spotlight are Legal Aid teams and individual attorneys who gained recognition for their outstanding achievements. We invite you to learn more about them, and all of our programs, by visiting our website: www.lascinti.org.

We are grateful to all of our donors, funders, volunteer attorneys, and partner organizations. We could not serve our clients so effectively without you. Thank you for your recognition of our value to the community and for your continued support of our mission.



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Mary Asbury
Executive Director



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Daniel J. Buckley
President

The mission of the Legal Aid Society of Greater Cincinnati is to resolve serious legal problems of low-income people, to promote economic and family stability, and to reduce poverty through effective legal assistance.

Award-Winning Child HeLP Program Continues Trailblazing

Tackling social and legal issues, such as unsafe housing, special education problems, and food and income insecurity that undermine family stability, is the focus of Child HeLP, Legal Aid’s medical-legal partnership with Cincinnati Children’s Hospital Medical Center (CCHMC). While these obstacles have a direct connection to health, they cannot be resolved by doctors. But they can often be addressed by lawyers. Legal Aid has assisted more than 12,000 children and their families to regain economic and family stability, and trained over 500 pediatric medical providers to identify social determinants of health since Child HeLP began in 2008.



Pictured are Virginia Tallent, Senior Attorney, Christine Barrett Haslam, Elaine Fink, Managing Attorney and Adrienne Henize, CCHMC Child Help Project Manager.

Over 90% of Child HeLP households are headed by low-income, female, single parents. Almost half earn less than \$10,000 annually. Housing issues such as unsafe conditions in rental units, evictions, or utility shutoffs, are their major concerns. The Burbridge family, on this year’s report cover, was one of over 300 low-income families with housing problems referred to Legal Aid through Child HeLP last year. Ms. Burbridge and her three children were threatened with eviction by a predatory landlord. Her family would have become homeless, but for the intervention of a Legal Aid attorney who was able to prevent this crisis.

Child HeLP is a leading national medical-legal partnership. We continue to innovate and to serve new populations. In 2016, Legal Aid participated in a pilot that expanded Child HeLP’s scope, joining *Start Strong*, a partnership between CCHMC, Good Samaritan Hospital, Every Child Succeeds, and others. *Start Strong* tested the effectiveness of legal advocacy in addressing issues that affect the health and well-being of high-risk expectant mothers in the Avondale neighborhood.

Child HeLP’s Success Leads to New Maternal Health Law Partnership

Child HeLP’s success in resolving crises for low-income families, and the early results from the *Start Strong* pilot, provided the impetus to create a program to help women during their pregnancies. We are pleased to partner with TriHealth and CCHMC on this new program, M-HeLP: Maternal Health Law Partnership. Legal Aid is overcoming obstacles that interfere with the pregnant woman’s ability to engage in prenatal care. We expect that our efforts will help reduce preterm births and improve newborn health.

Bethesda Inc., a major funder of healthcare transformation and co-sponsor of TriHealth, provided the lead grant for M-HeLP to fund services, data collection, and evaluation. Starting in October of 2016, Legal Aid Managing Attorney Elaine Fink and Senior Attorney Virginia Tallent have been leading a Steering Committee with TriHealth and CCHMC representatives, including Dr. Michael P. Marcotte and Dr. Robert S. Kahn, to develop and implement the program. We anticipate over 300 women will be referred to Legal Aid in the first year.



Jill Miller, President of Bethesda Inc., Elaine Fink, Managing Attorney, Legal Aid Society of Southwest Ohio, LLC, Michael P. Marcotte, MD, Staff Perinatologist, TriHealth, Jennifer Zimmerman, Director of Grants and Evaluation, Bethesda Inc.



Anne Lucas, Managing Attorney, Volunteer Lawyers Project, Lisa Gorrasi, Hamilton County Domestic Relations Court Administrator, Kelly Malone, Managing Attorney, Family Law Practice Group

Innovative Family Law Clinic Improves Access to Court

Going through a divorce can be difficult for anyone, but representing yourself in a divorce case can be overwhelming. A growing number of low-income people are filing for divorce on their own, or finding themselves sued for divorce and unable to afford a lawyer. Unrepresented litigants strain the Hamilton County Domestic Relations Court's ability to provide fair and efficient outcomes and keep the process working for everyone.

The Court invited Legal Aid to lead a team, including the Volunteer Lawyers Project (VLP) and the Hamilton County Law Library, to develop a program to assist these *pro se* litigants. "The court has a duty to provide access to justice but when a person is unable to secure legal representation due to limited income, the path to justice becomes burdensome. We are committed to removing barriers for low-income litigants," stated Lisa Gorrasi, Court Administrator, Hamilton County Domestic Relations Court.

The Family Law Clinic, introduced in June of 2016, is open two days a week, Tuesdays and Thursdays, in Room 2-68 at the Court.

"Handling a divorce on your own isn't for everyone; it is important to understand the pros and cons of going it alone," noted Kelly Malone, Managing Attorney, Family and Immigration Practice Group.

"Having Clinic volunteers help individuals with their cases improves the process, helping both the family and the Court. We are excited to extend our services to the community through this Clinic."

In the Clinic, volunteer attorneys provide brief consultations to help low-income litigants complete their paperwork, understand court processes and provide legal advice. In the first nine months, 61 attorneys have volunteered at the clinic, assisting 374 individuals. Law students are often available to assist with information and paperwork as well. Clinic volunteers refer cases to Legal Aid for help with matters that fall within Legal Aid's case priorities.

"We are very pleased that the Clinic has attracted both current and new VLP attorneys," stated Anne Lucas, VLP Managing Attorney. The demand for the Clinic's services is high, so we would welcome additional volunteer lawyers." If you would like to volunteer, contact Anne at alucas@lascinti.org.

"The need for this Law Clinic is apparent by the number of people we have already assisted. The court is grateful for the lawyers who volunteer their time and for the Legal Aid Society who has volunteered the organizational expertise to make this happen," says Judge Amy Searcy.

The Hamilton County Juvenile Court recognized the effectiveness of this Clinic. The Court contacted Legal Aid to ask us, and our partners, to develop a second Clinic to focus on juvenile custody and visitation issues. We anticipate that the new Juvenile Court Clinic will open later this year.



Attorney Alex van der Zee volunteering at the Family Law Clinic

Child HeLP wins National Award



Pictured from l. to r.: Megan Sandel from the National Center for MLP, Robert Kahn, Andy Beck, Deanna White, Donita Parrish, Melissa Salamon, Elaine Fink, Adrienne Henize, Virginia Tallent and Ellen Lawton, from the National Center for MLP

Child HeLP was named 2016 Outstanding Medical-Legal Partnership by the National Center for Medical-Legal Partnerships. The award cited the depth of integration between Legal Aid and Cincinnati Children's as well as Child HeLP's contribution to research.

Mary Asbury Honored with 2016 Racial Justice Award

Legal Aid of Greater Cincinnati's Executive Director received the 2016 Racial Justice Award from the YWCA of Greater Cincinnati at the Heart-to-Heart Racial Justice Breakfast at the National Underground Railroad Freedom Center.



Ms. Asbury with fellow awardee, Assistant US Attorney Kenneth Parker, and keynote speaker, Bryan Stephenson.

Immigration Team Recognized



Team members are pictured l. to r. Suzy Firestone, Maggie Fibbe, Jamie Landvatter, Adolfo Olivas, Blake Gibson, Nora Hernandez, Lisa Lee, Mayra Casas Ugarte, and Anne Lucas.

The Alliance for Immigrant Women presented Legal Aid's Immigration Team with an award for their service to the immigrant community at its Biennial Conference. Immigration Team Leader, Adolfo Olivas, accepted the award.

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Bradley D. Mottier, VP and general manager of Business and General Aviation & Integrated Systems at GE Aviation, won a 2016 GE Chairman's Award, which recognizes outstanding performance and leadership within the company. As part of the award, the winner gets to direct \$25,000 to a charity of choice. We were honored to learn that Bradley had selected Legal Aid. He and Carey Greiner, a Legal Aid Trustee and GE colleague, came to Legal Aid to present Executive Director, Mary Asbury with the check. Thank you, Bradley!



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VLP Names 2016 Volunteer Lawyer of the Year

The Volunteers Lawyers For the Poor Foundation named Paul J. ("P.J.") Minnillo the VLP's Volunteer Lawyer of the Year for 2016. Mr. Minnillo and his firm, Minnillo and Jenkins, specialize in bankruptcy law, representing individuals, families, and small businesses in Chapter 7, Chapter 11, and Chapter 13 matters. Over the past 20 years, P.J. has accepted 55 cases through the VLP, including six cases in 2016. Additionally during the past 18 months, P.J. has assisted the VLP and Legal Aid in expanding capacity to help low-income individuals resolve debt problems. He has trained Legal Aid attorneys, and provided consultation on individual cases. Paul's stellar, long-term commitment to the VLP's mission and his dedication to helping clients are inspiring. Congratulations, P.J.!



P.J. is pictured at his office with VLP Managing Attorney, Anne Lucas.

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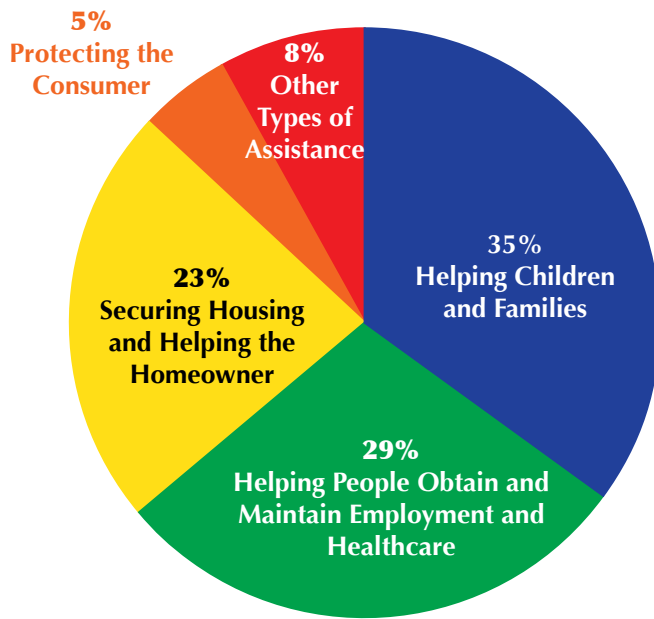
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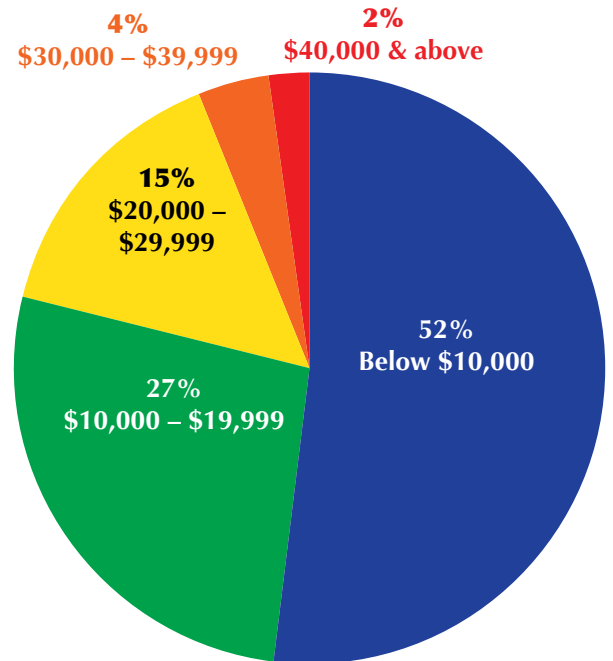
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COUNTY	Requests for Service	Sent Written Materials	Made External Referral	LAS Case Open	VLP Case Open	LAS & VLP Pending
BROWN	364	60	77	83	21	126
BUTLER	3,529	289	842	1,008	180	1,422
CLERMONT	1,285	109	340	274	88	227
CLINTON	362	86	76	72	22	49
HAMILTON	16,306	1,318	2,714	3,282	1,033	2,597
HIGHLAND	358	103	62	81	3	33
WARREN	769	74	235	146	45	129
UNSPECIFIED	4,008	66	1,685	127	16	69
TOTAL	26,981	2,105	6,031	5,073	1,408	4,652

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2016 Operating Revenue

Ohio Legal Assistance Foundation.....	\$1,732,840
Legal Services Corporation*	1,633,342
Government Grants & Contracts.....	1,822,374
United Way.....	453,054
Contributions.....	288,041
Foundation Grants.....	1,512,415
Rental Income.....	235,391
Other.....	273,386
Total Operating Revenue	\$7,950,843

2016 Functional Expense

Housing & Consumer Program.....	\$1,469,792
Employment & Benefits Program.....	1,206,260
Family & Domestic Violence Program	1,723,826
Children & Education Program.....	1,485,896
General Civil & VLP.....	303,193
Management & General	999,811
Fundraising.....	111,939
Rental Property.....	270,248
Total Expenses	\$7,570,965

Assets

	2016	2015
Cash and cash equivalents	602,056	644,524
Cash held in trust for clients	8,132	10,798
Investments	2,982,752	2,768,433
Grants and Contracts receivable	612,139	378,221
Contributions receivable, net	1,761,897	1,088,496
Property and equipment, net	3,401,678	3,497,291
Other	116,857	119,048
Total Assets	9,485,511	8,506,811

Liabilities and Net Assets

Liabilities

Accounts payable	139,533	89,191
Accrued annual leave	291,944	289,418
Assets held for others	8,132	10,798
Long-term debt	1,431,317	1,527,820
Other accrued liabilities	202,929	225,856
Total Liabilities	2,073,855	2,143,083

Net Assets

Unrestricted		
Operating	3,515,202	\$3,177,570
Board designated	1,155,625	\$1,081,313
Temporarily restricted	2,073,168	\$1,437,187
Permanently restricted	667,658	\$667,658
Total Net Assets	7,411,656	\$6,363,728
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	9,485,511	\$8,506,811

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Elaine Fink Honored with Murphy Award

Elaine Fink, Legal Aid's Managing Attorney for the Children and Education Practice Group, received the 2016 Denis Murphy Award from the Ohio Legal Assistance Foundation (OLAF). David Kutik, president of the OLAF Board of Trustees, along with Angela Lloyd, executive director of OLAF, presented the award which recognizes outstanding leadership and advocacy within Ohio's legal aids.



Pictured l. to r.: Angela Lloyd, Elaine Fink and David Kutik at the award presentation

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