

**MidPenn Legal Services  
Blair County Office  
2010-2011 Fact Sheet**

Mission: MidPenn provides critical help for critical needs. We are the legal safety net for low-income persons and for domestic violence survivors in Blair County. We advise and represent on civil issues: domestic violence, custody, housing, health care, consumer, elder law and public benefits. We do not handle criminal cases.

Funding: Government funding is our primary source of funding. The Pennsylvania Legal Aid Network (PLAN) provides 46% of our funding from funds earned as interest on legal escrow accounts (IOLTA), state and federal Title XX monies. The Legal Services Corporation (LSC) provides 32% of our funds. Additional monies are obtained from local groups, private foundations, and individuals. We also receive funding from the Blair County Bar Association and the United Way of Blair County.

Blair County Statistics:

	<u>2000</u>	<u>2010</u>
Residents living below the poverty level	12.27%	12.3%
Food Stamp recipients	8.5%	15.7%
Eligible for Medical Assistance	15.1%	21.0%
Poverty Population	15,840	15,632

<b>Blair – FY 10-11 Cases Handled</b>	<b>MidPenn</b>	<b>Volunteer Attorney</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>%</b>
Consumer	127	23	150	16.74%
Education	1	0	1	.11%
Employment	7	0	7	.78%
Family	69	1	70	7.81%
Domestic Violence	285	37	322	35.94%
Health	16	0	16	1.79%
Housing	243	0	243	27.12%
Income Maintenance	78	6	84	9.38%
Other/Multiple Topics	2	1	3	.33%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>828</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>896</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

MidPenn advocates spent 3,172.9 hours on cases in Blair County in fiscal year 2010-2011.

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