We Shall Overcome

Every year, millions of Americans experience a civil legal problem involving basic necessities of life like housing, health care, safety and income. This year has been different in many respects as the world has been facing a global pandemic. As we adapt to these unprecedented circumstances, we’ll continue to serve our communities as best we can. In order to ensure the safety of our community and ourselves, we’ve made necessary modifications to our programming that will also improve how we deliver our services to families who need us most.

We assist constituents who live in households with annual incomes at or below 125% of the federal poverty guidelines, ensuring that our neighbors will not have to navigate the legal system alone. Eligible clients include the working poor, veterans and military families, homeowners and renters, families with children, farmers, the disabled, and the elderly.

"Your service is very much appreciated. I am grateful for the availability of Laurel Legal Services for myself and others in need."
Major Funding:
- Legal Services Corporation
- Pennsylvania Legal Aid Network
  - Access to Justice Act
  - Disability Advocacy Program
- Pennsylvania IOLTA Board for special initiatives

Programs & Initiatives:
- Community Women’s Impact Network
  - Providing legal services for women facing sudden economic crises
- Bank of America Housing Initiative
  - Attending magistrate hearings to prevent evictions
- Westmoreland Area Agency on Aging
  - Assisting with guardianship & Powers of Attorney cases
- Fair Housing Law Center
  - Referral program for victims of housing discrimination

Expanded Programs:
In response to the global pandemic, Laurel Legal Services has received federal and state funding through the CARES Act in order to improve technology and deliver our services in a safe and effective manner. This has also included contracting with private attorneys to assist with the increased case load.

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