



Legal Services
of the Hudson Valley

Protecting Rights
Promoting Justice

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As the aging population continues to rise, Legal Services of the Hudson Valley (LSHV) strives to protect the rights of vulnerable seniors. We combine legal representation and advocacy to help seniors in our service area get the legal assistance and benefits they deserve.

Legal representation

As older citizens retire from a lifetime of contribution to society, many must live on fixed incomes and rely on government assistance programs. We provide legal advocacy and representation for seniors in the areas of Social Security, Medicare, Medicaid, Unemployment Insurance, grandparent custody/guardianship and visitation, other public benefits, housing, bankruptcy, consumer rights, advanced directives and simple estate planning.

Fraud

Seniors are often targeted for identity theft, telemarketing, sweepstakes, home improvement and, increasingly, online scams. Our attorneys provide advocacy and advice to seniors who have been exploited by criminal fraud and scams.

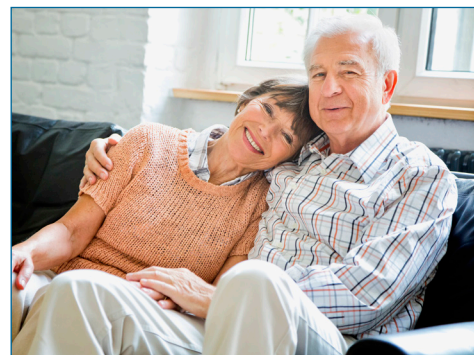
Home Healthcare Issues

Many seniors experience a decline in their health but prefer to remain in their homes, rather than in nursing homes or assisted living facilities. Legal Services of the Hudson Valley advocates before social services agencies to obtain assistance from home healthcare workers and homemaker services for these elderly clients.

Elder abuse

Unfortunately, some seniors are taken advantage of financially, emotionally, psychologically and/or physically – often by family members. We are committed to preserving the rights of seniors through advocacy, legal representation and assisting seniors in obtaining orders of protection if needed.

Elder Law FACT SHEET



STATISTICS

- 26%** Increase in Hudson Valley population aged 65+ over 10 years;
- 1 in 7** NYS seniors live in poverty;
- 60%** NYS seniors who cannot cover their basic expenses;
- 11.5%** NYS seniors who are fully retired and live in poverty;
- 1 in 10** Likelihood that a senior will experience elder abuse;
- 70%** Single elder women that live in economic insecurity;
- 36bn** Estimated amount that seniors lose to financial abuse every year.

2019 Results

1,195
elder unit
cases
handled

1,777
household
members
impacted

2,700
of our
total clients
were 60+
at intake

1,632
(60%)
of those
were women

