



Rockland County

FACT SHEET

LEGAL SERVICES OF THE HUDSON VALLEY

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Seeking legal advice is out of reach for tens of thousands of people in Rockland County, but many find themselves confronting challenges that require civil legal services in order to protect their rights.

Legal Services of the Hudson Valley is the only provider of FREE, comprehensive civil legal services to all seven counties of the lower Hudson Valley. OUR MISSION is to provide free, high quality counsel in civil matters for those who cannot afford an attorney where basic human needs are at stake.

The work we do each day provides justice to thousands of our neighbors who have nowhere else to turn, including protecting individuals from domestic violence; defending seniors against abuse; serving veterans on the homefront; supporting the rights of the disabled; ensuring that LGBTQ individuals are free from discrimination; and keeping families in their homes.

Legal Services of the Hudson Valley: Rockland County

Legal Services of the Hudson Valley continues to expand, enhance and build awareness of the high-quality, comprehensive, free civil legal services we are providing in Rockland County. We opened our Spring Valley Office in July of 2013, and currently have staffed the office with six full-time attorneys and two support staff.

We typically handle cases involving housing, benefits, consumer debt, children's advocacy, family law, discrimination and other civil matters involving clients who are elderly or disabled. We receive funding from the Rockland County Office for the Aging and from Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) to provide Elder Law services. Senator David Carlucci has secured funding for us to assist survivors of domestic violence in their family and immigration matters. We have also partnered with the Center for Safety & Change in assisting crime victims in matters including Housing, Consumer Law, Elder Law, etc. Most recently, we secured funding from Rockland County to assist children in their Education matters.

2019 Results

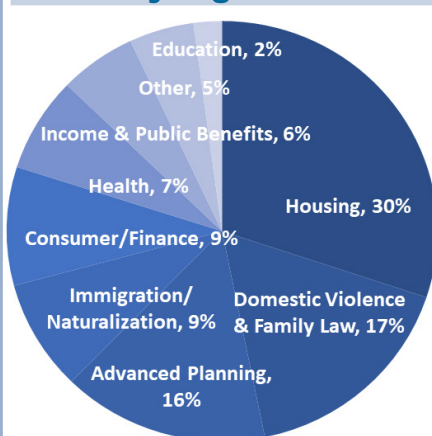
658
cases
handled for
Rockland
residents

1,461
household
members
impacted

535
clients
served

6
attorneys
2
paralegals/
support staff

Cases by legal matter



STATISTICS

323,686
3.5%

Population;
Unemployment rate;

14.3%

Poverty rate in Rockland
County;

24.7%

of Rockland Co. children live
in poverty;

\$73,240

annual income needed
to afford a two-bedroom
apartment in Rockland
County;

\$10.98

estimated mean renter wage
in Rockland. At this wage,
renters need to work 128
hours/week to afford a two-
bedroom apartment;

49,645

persons in Rockland
over age 65; more than
6.3% of them live in poverty;

8,878

veterans in Rockland County.

(2018 American Community Survey; Mid-Hudson Valley Community Profiles; National Low Income Housing Coalition, "Out of Reach 2019".)