A VOICE For JUSTICE



2025 ANNUAL REPORT

Legal Services of Eastern Missouri™
Action.Justice.Hope.

Dear Friends,

Throughout 2025, Legal Services of Eastern Missouri continued to step up for our community in moments of crisis, uncertainty, and opportunity. Whether helping families recover after the devastating St. Louis tornado, protecting access to healthcare for children facing serious illness, advocating for older adults seeking independence and dignity, or pursuing systemic reforms that impact thousands of Missourians, our organization remained steadfast in its mission of advancing justice for those who need it most.

This annual report highlights the many ways our Legal Services' community came together to make a difference. Behind every statistic is a person, a family, or a neighborhood whose future was changed through access to legal assistance. We celebrate victories like securing long-overdue support for a former foster youth, protecting homeowners from predatory practices, and challenging barriers to essential food assistance. These successes demonstrate that civil legal aid not only solves individual problems—it creates lasting change that strengthens entire communities.

At the same time, we witnessed the resilience and determination of our clients. People like Destiny, whose daughter's cancer treatment was preserved when Medicaid coverage was restored; Willie B. Smith, who finally obtained the identification documents she needed to fully participate in daily life; and families rebuilding after the tornado who overcame complex legal obstacles to preserve homes passed down through generations. Their stories remind us why this work matters.

These accomplishments are only possible because of the extraordinary commitment of our supporters. We are deeply grateful to our volunteer attorneys, donors, foundation partners, board members, community advocates, and countless partners who believe that justice should be accessible to everyone. Your support helps ensure that vulnerable individuals and families have the legal support they need to remain safe, healthy, and secure.

Thank you for standing with Legal Services of Eastern Missouri and helping us remain **A Voice for Justice**.

With gratitude,

The Legal Services of Eastern Missouri Team

Mission Statement

Legal Services of Eastern Missouri advances justice through legal representation, education and supportive services. We partner with the community to improve lives, promote fairness and create opportunities for those in need.

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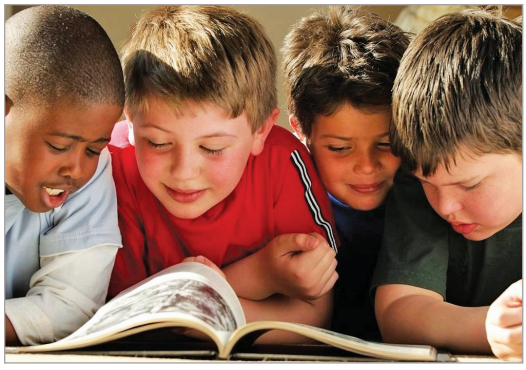
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Achieving JUSTICE

Fighting for Missouri Youth

Legal Services of Eastern Missouri's Health & Education Justice Initiative works to remove barriers threatening children's health, education, and long-term stability. In partnership with the ACLU of Missouri, the program secured a significant 2025 victory for a former foster youth whose rights were denied during the COVID-19 pandemic.

In 2020, Congress passed a law allowing youth who had aged out of foster care to re-enter care and receive financial support during the pandemic, recognizing their heightened risk of homelessness and instability. But when Mikayla, a young mother from Kansas City, sought to return to care, Missouri's Children's Division refused her request and failed to adequately inform eligible youth of their rights.

Legal Services filed suit on Mikayla's behalf in 2021, launching a years-long legal battle through family court, the Missouri Court of Appeals, and circuit court. Even after the federal law expired, Legal Services continued fighting for compensation equal to the support she should have received.

After the court rejected the State's effort to dismiss the case, mediation led to a settlement providing Mikayla compensation roughly equal to the foster care assistance she had been denied.

Now living with her three children and working toward greater stability, Mikayla's case reflects Legal Services' commitment to ensuring vulnerable youth and families are not left behind when systems fail them.

Protecting Homeowners from Exploitation

Systemic advocacy often takes years to achieve meaningful results. That was true in Legal Services' fight against MV Realty. The company had targeted homeowners with deceptive 40-year agreements that exchanged small up-front payments for a substantial share of a home's future value — even when no real estate services were provided. Hundreds of Missouri homeowners were affected.

Beginning in 2022, Legal Services' Consumer, Neighborhood Advocacy, and Litigation Programs investigated the scheme, collaborated with partners including Legal Aid of Western Missouri, New Covenant Legal Services, and National Consumer Law Center, and drew public attention to the issue through media outreach and client representation.

By 2023, Legal Services was advocating for action by the Missouri's Attorney General's Consumer Protection Division, recognizing that statewide enforcement was needed to protect consumers.

That advocacy helped lead to a major victory. In 2025, following litigation and bankruptcy proceedings, MV Realty and several company leaders entered a consent judgment with the State of Missouri. The agreement barred MV Realty from operating in Missouri for seven years, cleared affected home titles, eliminated repayment obligations, and secured restitution.

Overall, Missouri homeowners preserved more than $2.4 million in equity through this sustained advocacy effort.

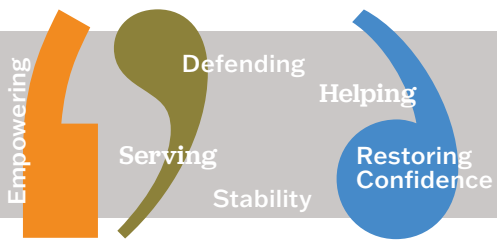
SNAP: Removing Barriers to Benefits

Legal Services of Eastern Missouri secured a federal remedial order in 2025 requiring Missouri to overhaul its administration of the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP). The order established enforceable standards and ongoing court oversight to ensure that eligible residents can access food assistance.

This milestone followed three years of litigation led by Legal Services, the National Center for Law and Economic Justice and Stinson LLP on behalf of individual plaintiffs and Empower Missouri. In 2024, the court found that the state violated federal SNAP law and the Americans with Disabilities Act, citing excessive wait times, dropped calls, and the denial of benefits to applicants who repeatedly tried to complete required interviews.

The 2025 remedial order required the state to ensure at least 90 percent of applicants experience hold times of 20 minutes or less, end improper denials when applicants have made reasonable efforts to complete interviews, adopt ADA-compliant policies, and submit monthly performance reports.

UPDATE: The State of Missouri appealed this ruling. In August 2026, the Eighth Circuit affirmed key findings that Missouri violated plaintiffs' due process and ADA rights, reversed other portions of the ruling, and returned the case to the district court for further proceedings.



"Legal Services continues to advocate for the removal of systemic barriers for our clients."

~ Joel Ferber, Director of Advocacy at Legal Services



ADVOCATING
for Older Adults

For older adults across eastern Missouri, civil legal problems can quickly threaten health, finances and the ability to live independently, making access to trusted legal help more important than ever.

In 2025, older adults made up 21% of all Legal Services clients. Through its Advocates for Older Adults Program, Legal Services provides compassionate civil legal assistance to people age 60 and older in its 21-county service area.

The program addresses pressing issues including housing instability, eviction, estate planning, public benefits, healthcare coverage, consumer fraud and financial exploitation. Attorneys also help older adults prepare simple wills, powers of attorney, healthcare directives and beneficiary deeds as well as connect them to community resources.

In 2025, Legal Services published the 21st edition of the Senior Citizens Legal Handbook, first introduced in 1977. Updated for the first time in nearly a decade, the redesigned Handbook offers accessible legal information on 23 topics affecting older adults, caregivers and advocates.

Legal Services also launched its first ID Clinic for older adults in partnership with St. Francis Xavier College Church. The clinic helped seniors overcome barriers to obtaining identification needed for housing, healthcare, and other essential services.

Willie B. Smith's Story

For most of her life, Willie B. Smith called St. Louis home. But without a birth certificate, she found herself unable to fully participate in the world around her. Records from the former Homer G. Phillips Hospital, where she was born, had been lost over the years due to floods, fires, and the hospital's closure, leaving Willie unable to obtain the identification documents she needed.



After repeated unsuccessful attempts on her own, Willie connected with Legal Services of Eastern Missouri and attorney Victoria St. Jean.

"Victoria St. Jean, my savior," Willie said. "She got to me right away and she got me the information that I needed in order to move forward to get my birth certificate."

Victoria guided Willie through every step of the process, helping her secure her birth certificate and finally obtain a REAL ID driver's license.

The lack of identification had already caused Willie heartbreaking loss. When her sister-in-law became critically ill and later passed away, Willie was unable to travel to be with her family or attend the funeral.

Today, Willie is planning for the future — including applying for a passport and taking a cruise. "I am ready to go," she said. "Legal Services, that's where you start."

"To have somebody who cared enough about me to talk me through every step was a blessing." ~ Willie B. Smith



Getting RESULTS

35,285
people were served in 2025

- **7,991** people were helped through direct client work in completed cases
- **27,294** people were assisted through community education, outreach, court help desks, legal information publications and referrals.







17,330
requests for help received



96%
success rate for completed full-service cases in 2025



$21
million in monetary benefits for clients



The Justice Gap:
Nationwide about
92%
of low-income people do not get the civil legal help they need.



Client Stats

- 96% of clients live at or below the federal poverty level
- 72% of clients identify as female
- 61% of clients identify as BIPOC
- 48% of clients & family members served were children
- 30% of clients were disabled
- 27% of clients have experienced domestic violence

Types of Issues Handled

- **25%** Family Law
- **24%** Housing
- **18%** Healthcare
- **7%** Consumer
- **7%** Individual Rights
- **6%** Community Economic Development
- **5%** Public Benefits
- **4%** Education
- **4%** Wills, Guardianships & Advance Directives

Clearing the Path to RECOVERY

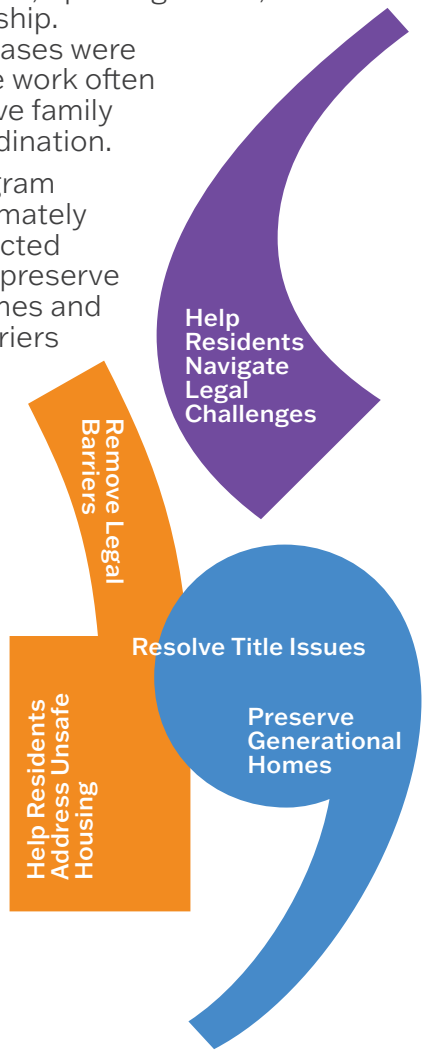
When an EF3 tornado tore through St. Louis on May 16, 2025, it devastated neighborhoods, leaving shattered homes, uprooted families, and widespread uncertainty in its wake. In response, Legal Services mobilized staff, volunteer attorneys, and community partners to help residents navigate the legal challenges that often follow a disaster.

Within seven months, Legal Services accepted more than 94 new clients impacted by the storm, many facing housing crises. Attorneys and advocates helped residents address unsafe housing, replace lost documents, secure SNAP replacement benefits, and avoid exploitation. One urgent, but largely invisible, issue involved heirs' property. Many damaged homes had been in the same families for generations, but were passed down informally, without ownership records being legally updated.

Suddenly, that missing paperwork became a major obstacle. Families seeking rebuilding assistance or recovery funds often had to prove legal ownership to obtain aid. Some faced painful delays and the possibility of losing homes that had long anchored their families and neighborhoods.

Through its Neighborhood Advocacy Program, Legal Services helped families resolve title issues by confirming heirs, updating deeds, and recording ownership. Although many cases were uncontested, the work often required extensive family tracing and coordination.

In 2025, the program assisted approximately 49 tornado-impacted families, helping preserve generational homes and remove legal barriers to recovery.







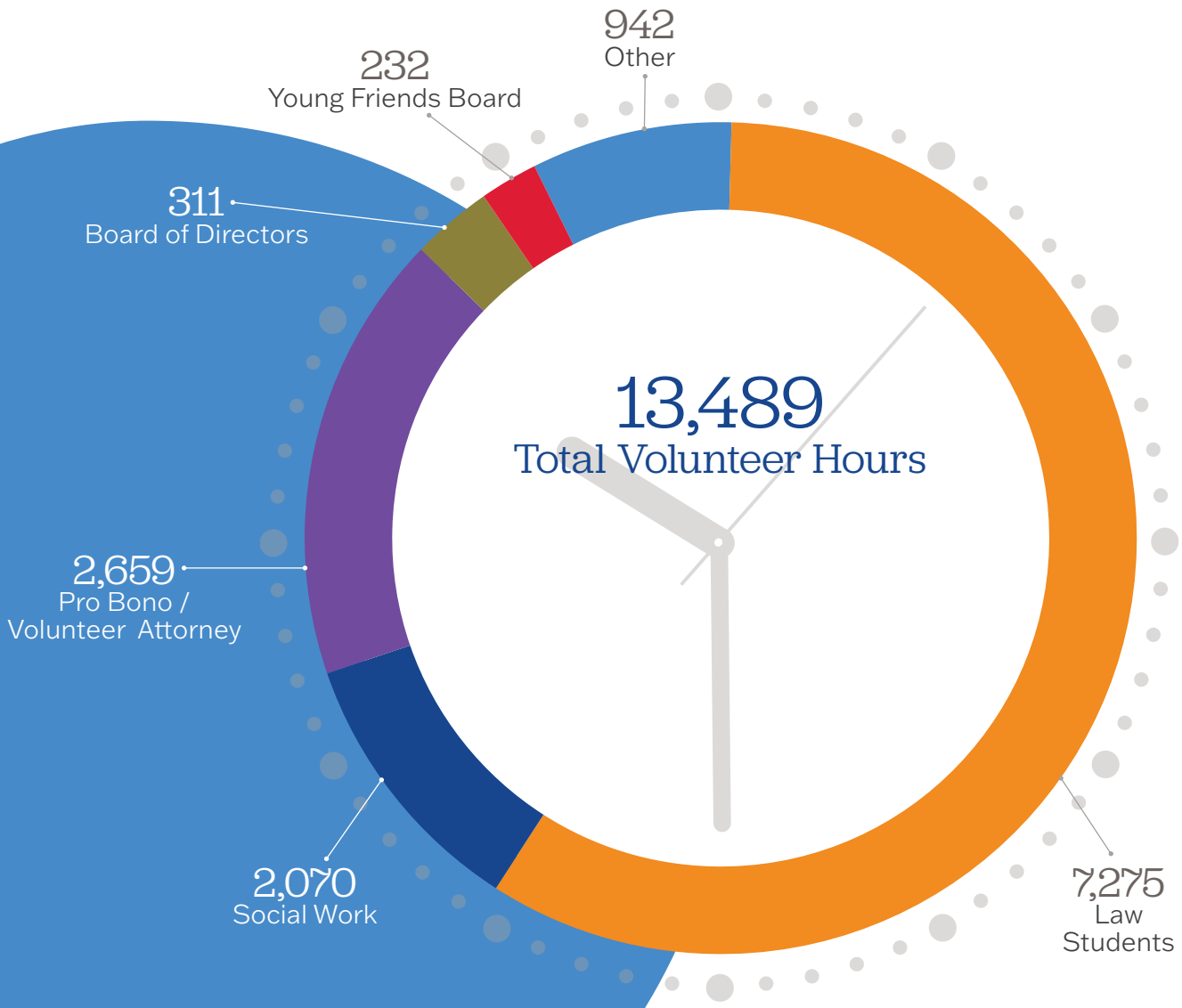
Outreach to Communities Impacted by the Tornado



Volunteer SUPPORT

Issues Handled by Volunteer Attorneys

22%	Housing
20%	Family Law
19%	Community Economic Development
14%	Other
8%	Wills, Guardianships & Advance Directives
6%	Education
4%	Healthcare
4%	Consumer
3%	Benefits



Michael R. Cherba



Michael R. Cherba has combined leadership, public service, and pro bono advocacy throughout his long involvement with Legal Services. A Senior Attorney at Aegis Law, Mike has handled guardianship matters for Legal Services' Volunteer Lawyers Program (VLP) since 2007. In recognition of his service, he was named a co-recipient of Legal Services' 2025 F. Wm. McCalpin Pro Bono Award.

Mike first became involved with Legal Services in 2012 as a member of the Young Friends Board, later serving as President before transitioning to Legal Services' Board of Directors.

"We get into the practice because we want to help people, and this is probably one of the most direct ways possible to be able to do that," Mike says. "I'm proud to help Legal Services assist our community so that hopefully I can leave the city and state a little bit better than the way I found it."

VLP staff say Mike has been an outstanding volunteer lawyer. "His case work has been excellent, and he accepts difficult, time-sensitive matters, regularly getting great results," adding, "He has also become an important advisor and mentor to other volunteers handling critical cases."

Ryan C. Turnage



Ryan C. Turnage, co-recipient of Legal Services of Eastern Missouri's 2025 F. Wm. McCalpin Pro Bono Award, has supported the organization's mission as a volunteer attorney and leader for more than 15 years. Since 2010, he has provided pro bono representation in housing, power of attorney, and guardianship matters through the Volunteer Lawyers Program (VLP).

Ryan is an in-house counsel with Schnuck Markets, Inc. In addition to his volunteer casework, he spent nearly 12 years on Legal Services' Young Friends Board, serving a recent term as President, before joining the Legal Services' Board of Directors in 2025, where he currently is Assistant Treasurer.

"Housing security, particularly in the city of St. Louis, is a huge deal, and people need legal representation to help them navigate that," Ryan says. "What I remember most is the relief that I hear in a client's voice or see on their face when they hear, 'I'm going to be with you in court and you don't have to face this alone.'" He adds, "The need for legal aid is so critical because I believe every human being has dignity."

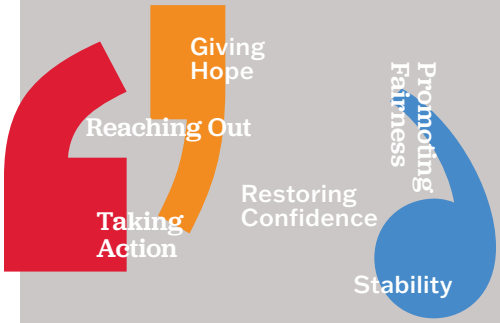
VLP staff say, "Ryan has been an incredible volunteer for many years. He is truly outstanding in his willingness to accept time-sensitive cases and advise us - and, more importantly, other volunteers - on case management and strategy."

Other Volunteer Stats

385
Cases Handled by Volunteers in 2025

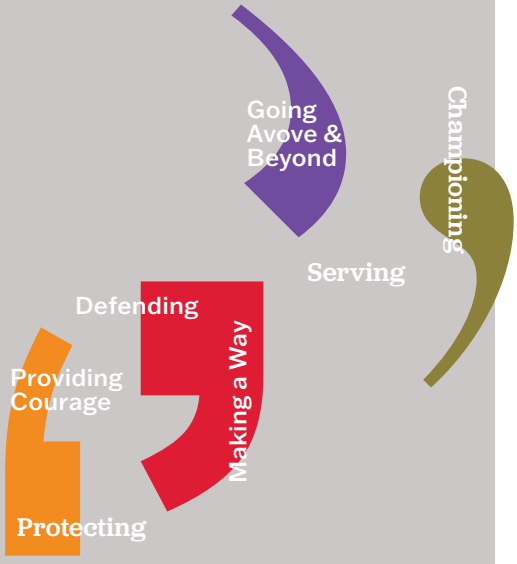
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New Volunteer Attorneys

$942,247
Value of Pro Bono Service in 2025



IMPROVING ACCESS
to Health Coverage

For families facing a medical crisis, access to healthcare can mean the difference between stability and catastrophe. Medicaid serves as a critical lifeline for thousands of Missouri children and families, ensuring that serious illnesses, ongoing treatments, and essential healthcare needs do not become financial emergencies. Yet navigating the system can be complicated, and when coverage is delayed, denied, or terminated in error, the consequences can be devastating. Through its Health & Welfare Programs, Legal Services of Eastern Missouri helps families overcome these barriers, protecting access to healthcare when it matters most.





Restoring Coverage When it Matters Most

Destiny, of Owensville, Missouri, is the mother of two young daughters. When both girls came down with RSV, she took them to the hospital expecting a routine visit. Instead, X-rays revealed something far more serious: her six-year-old daughter had cancer. Within hours, she was transferred to a children's hospital and began intensive treatment.

Destiny and her husband both worked, but neither job provided health insurance. Their income placed them just above the cutoff for food assistance, leaving Medicaid as their only option for managing the cost of care. For months, that coverage made treatment possible.

Then, without warning, it disappeared.

Despite completing her renewal, submitting documentation, and repeatedly calling to confirm coverage, Destiny learned—at the moment her daughter needed care for complications—that their Medicaid had been terminated. A doctor connected Destiny to Legal Services of Eastern Missouri. Staff in the Health & Welfare Programs quickly intervened, working directly with state officials to correct the error. Within three days, coverage was restored.

"Working with Brandy was so easy," Destiny said. "She let me know step by step what was going on."

With Medicaid reinstated, her daughter's treatment continued without interruption or added financial strain. As of October 2025, she was nearing the end of treatment, with doctors expecting full remission.

"Medicaid is life-saving," Destiny said. "It saved my daughter's life."

Cli

Helping Grandparents Keep Children Covered

When an aortic aneurysm forced Richard Haddock into early retirement, he and his wife never expected to become full-time caregivers for their grandchildren. But after their daughter was unable to care for her children, the couple stepped in to raise three young girls — including an infant they brought home from Florida at just 11 weeks old.

“Picture this,” Richard said. “Sixty-four years old, wife 60. All of a sudden, you’ve got a one-year-old and a six-year-old.”

Because of Richard’s retirement, he couldn’t access his union insurance to cover the children. Two of the girls have ADHD and require ongoing medical and dental care. Without Medicaid, the family feared that they would be unable to manage the children’s healthcare needs.

“All of a sudden, I’m in a panic,” Richard said. “What am I going to do if they get sick? What am I going to do in a life-or-death situation? Sell my house?”

Richard turned to Legal Services of Eastern Missouri for help navigating Medicaid coverage and eligibility concerns. Staff in the Health & Welfare Programs guided the family through the process and helped ease fears about maintaining coverage for the children.

“I left here totally relaxed compared to the way I came in,” Richard said.

Today, the children continue receiving the healthcare they need, giving the family greater stability and peace of mind.

“If people don’t have insurance and can’t afford it, what are they going to do?” Richard said. “They have no other option.”



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ENGAGING
the Community

Justice
Action
Hope

For The Common Good Awards

In August, more than 200 guests joined us to celebrate the achievements of our volunteers and community partners. Dedicated individuals and groups like these are a vital element in the mission to provide equal access to justice to everyone in our community, and we thank each awardee for their outstanding commitment to ACTION. JUSTICE. HOPE.



Neighborhood Advocacy staff Brittany Hubbard, Peter Hoffman & Demetria Hunter with awardee Dorothy Sneed (center) and Latasha Barnes, Executive Director of St. Louis Housing Authority (far right).



Awardees, left to right: Maryann Brickey (SLPL); Ryan Turnage; Dorothy Sneed; Michael Cherba; Sam Dozier (for SLPL); Andrew Scavotto (for Stinson); Gabriela Baeza-Stout; Stephanie Suljak (for Helping Hand Me Downs); Ashley Winters & Alvin Reid (for St. Louis American); Bill Bay; Michael Hickey (for Lewis Rice).



Awardee Gabriela Baeza-Stout (right) with Marlene Elliott, Managing Attorney/ Microenterprise program (center), and Cyndi Newsome (left), presenter of the John R. Essner Young Lawyer Award.



Legal Services Board members Mavis Thompson (left) and Charli Cooksey (right) with Riisa Rawlins, CEO of Community Health Commission of Missouri (center).

Medicaid law

Breakfast Forum

In November, we hosted a special Breakfast Forum conversation to mark the 60th Anniversary of Medicaid. Our panel of speakers included Dr. Dwayne Proctor, President & CEO of the Missouri Foundation for Health, Jane Perkins*, Litigation Director with the National Health Law Program, and Joel Ferber, Director of Advocacy at Legal Services. Our Moderator was Sarah Fentem, Health Reporter for St. Louis Public Radio.

More than 150 guests joined us for this MCLE eligible session to learn more about Medicaid law and how policy affects the clients we serve.



Dwyane Proctor



Left to Right: Dan Glazier, Joel Ferber, Sarah Fentem, Dwayne Proctor

*Jane Perkins joined us virtually due to unforeseen circumstances

WORKING
with the Community

At Legal Services, speaking up for justice can take many forms – from daily legal work to community outreach and expanding relationships with more than 100 community partners to help educate the community about their legal rights and how to access resources. Building trusted relationships with the community is essential to expanding access to justice for all.



How We Conduct Outreach

450	295	130	31	14
Outreach With Community Partners	Workshops, Clinics & Court Table	Referral Through Direct Community Outreach	Legal Training Sessions for Partners	Written Materials Produced

920 outreach activities reaching 22,095 people











Young Friends of Legal Services

In 2025, The Young Friends of Legal Services supported the mission and clients of Legal Services with a:

- MCLE webinar which highlighted the Microenterprise program for almost 200 people
- Supplies drive which gathered more than 1,000 personal care & cleaning items for clients
- Happy Hour at Washington University Law School, which connected law students with intern opportunities at Legal Services



SERVICES

Communities

Community Economic Development – Microenterprise
Provides legal assistance and education for low-income entrepreneurs and community nonprofits.

Neighborhood Advocacy
Provides community development services addressing blighted and vacant housing in St. Louis City neighborhoods.

Housing Law
Assists with landlord/tenant issues, eviction, utilities and other housing problems.

Immigration Law
Assists immigrants with residency and citizenship and serves victims of human trafficking.

Special Projects
Provides legal assistance to people living with HIV/AIDS in the St. Louis metro area, with funding from the St. Louis City's Ryan White HIV/AIDS Treatment Act funding.

Volunteer Lawyers
Provides pro bono opportunities for attorneys and law firms to help clients.

Families

Children's Legal Alliance
Provides advocacy for children with special education needs and for homeless children.

Lasting Solutions Family Law
Helps survivors of domestic violence and their families to achieve safety and stability.

Safe Families, Strong Futures
Facilitates the reunification of domestic violence survivors with their children in St. Louis County juvenile and family cases.

Youth & Family Advocacy
Serves homeless and vulnerable youth and families in St. Louis City and County.

Health

Advocates for Family Health
Helps pregnant women and families with children access Medicaid managed care.

Connecting Kids to Coverage
Helps uninsured children and families enroll in healthcare plans.

Legal Advocacy for Adults with Mental Illness
Assists adults with serious mental illness with a variety of legal matters.

Individual Rights

Advocates for Older Adults
Represents clients aged 60+, and relative caregivers aged 55+, with a range of legal services.

Consumer Law
Represents clients with creditor/debtor problems, victims of deceptive business practices or predatory lending and student loan defaults.

Health & Education Justice
Addresses systemic issues that adversely impact child health and well-being including education issues.

Public Benefits
Helps with applications and appeals for public benefit programs, including Medicaid, TANF and SNAP.

Regional Offices

Hannibal Office
Provides a full range of services to qualified low-income residents in 12 northeast Missouri counties: Adair, Clark, Knox, Lewis, Macon, Marion, Monroe, Pike, Ralls, Schuyler, Scotland and Shelby.

Union Office
Provides a full range of services to qualified low-income residents in 5 Missouri counties: Franklin, Lincoln, Montgomery, Warren and Washington.



"This program was a lifesaver to me. [These services] helped me through an arduous and devastating period in my life."
~ Housing Law Client

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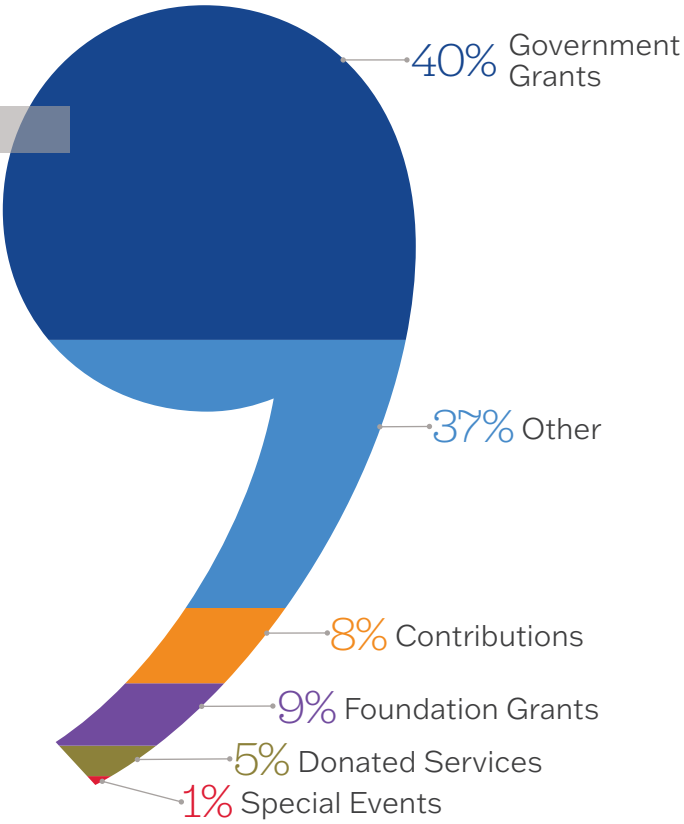
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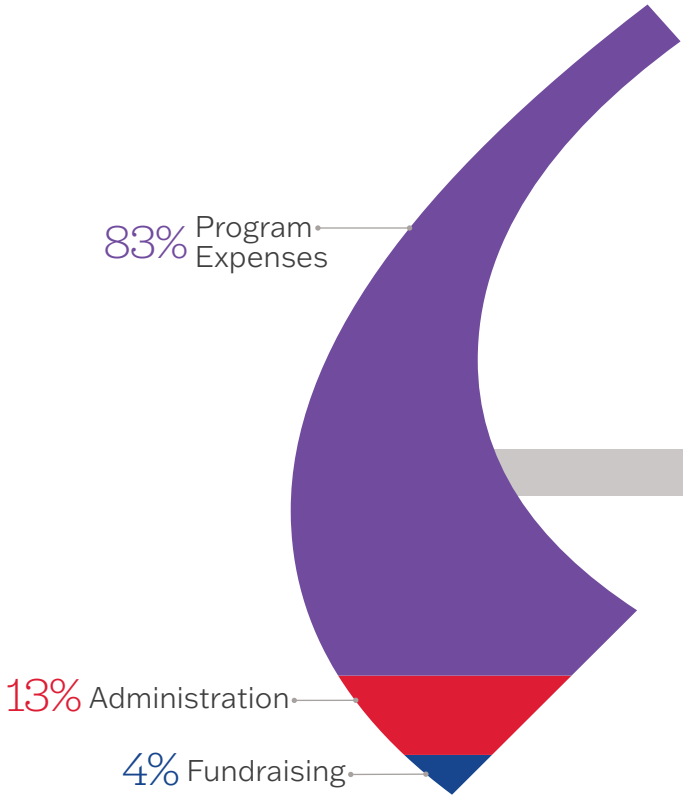
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	2025	2024
Government Grants	$7,729,055	$7,750,997
Other	$7,090,121	$4,137,341
Contributions	$1,599,173	$1,426,629
Foundation Grants	$1,660,702	$1,649,695
Donated Services	$942,247	$932,095
Special Events	$82,750	$116,810
TOTAL	**$19,104,048**	**$16,013,567**



EXPENSES

	2025	2024
Program Expenses	$14,001,775	$13,753,462
Administration	$2,110,500	$2,037,798
Fundraising	$710,257	$644,095
TOTAL	**$16,822,532**	**$16,435,355**

4.5% Growth

TOTAL NET ASSETS as per year end

2025	2024
$53,050,566	**$50,769,050**

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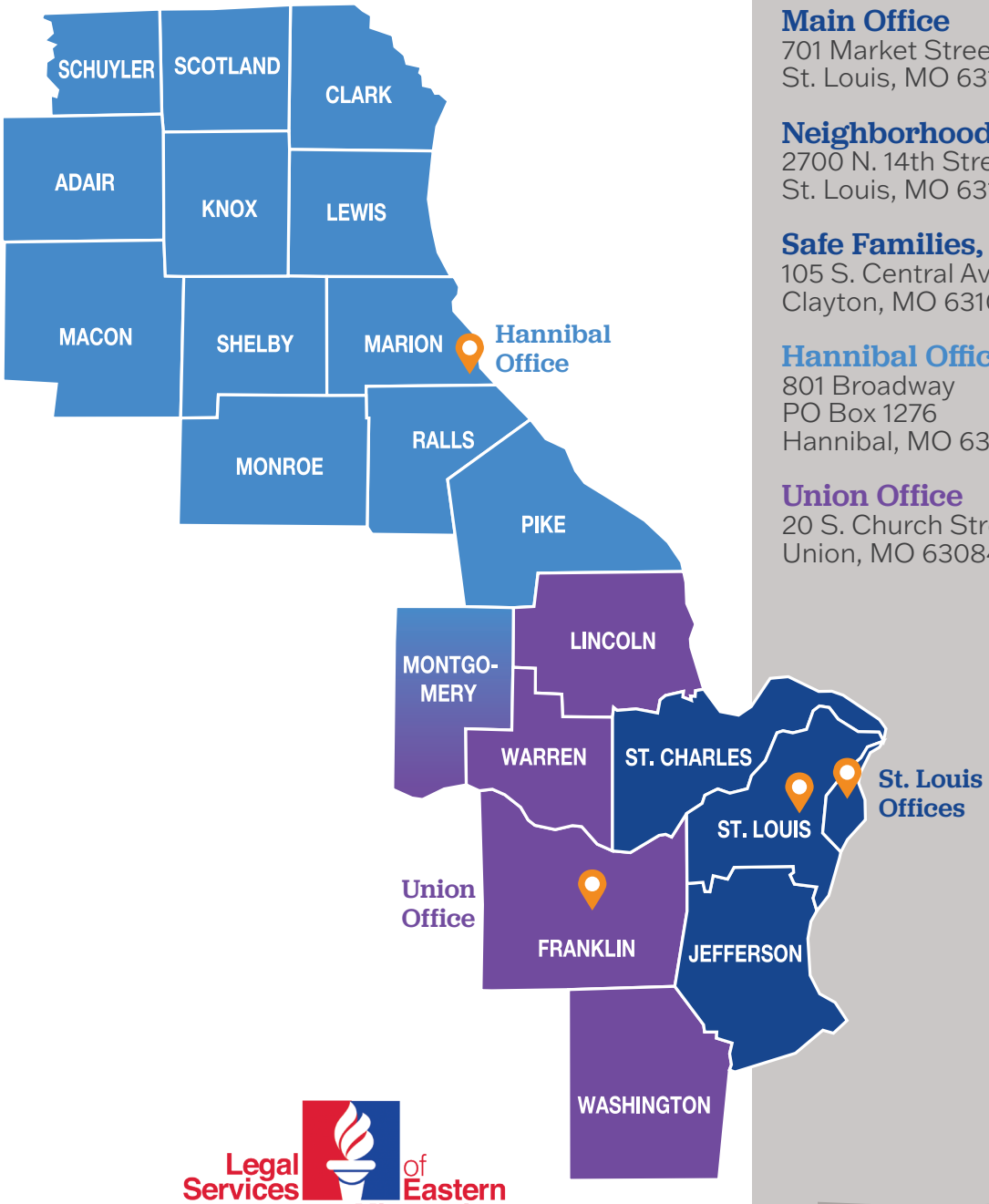
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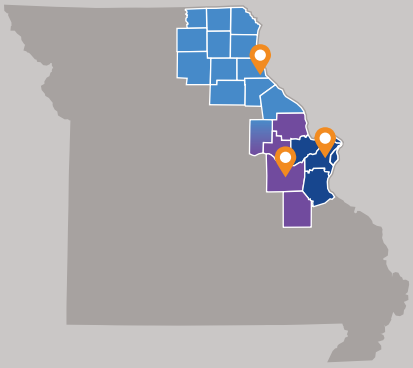
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