



NEIGHBORHOOD
LEGAL SERVICES

NLS Clients' Council

Clients' Council Members also serve on the NLS Board of Directors

The role of the Clients' Council member is to act as a liaison between the community in which they are located and Neighborhood Legal Services. Clients' Council members are the voice for the community*. They also bring information about NLS back into the community so that members are aware of the assistance NLS can provide.

*Clients' council members must be client-eligible for legal aid with incomes below 125% of the federal poverty guidelines at the time of appointment.

Board Meetings for 2021:

Currently held via Zoom

Clients' Council Meeting 3pm - 4pm

Full Board Meeting 4pm - 5pm

6/16/2021

8/18/2021

10/20/2021

12/15/2021

Responsibilities:

- Establish and maintain organization's mission.
- Monitor and evaluate executive director
- Provide financial oversight
- Help make sure that the organization has sufficient resources to operate

Expectations:

1. Attend regular meetings of the Board
2. Actively engage in Board Meetings
3. Contribute knowledge and express points of view
4. Join Board committees

Training Provided

Interested in becoming an NLS Clients' Council member? Contact Jennifer Modell at ModellJ@nlsa.us or call her at: 412 - 586 - 6110

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In 1966, Neighborhood Legal Services opened its doors with a commitment to equal access to justice for all people and a mission to meet the civil legal needs of the poor and vulnerable in our community through effective legal representation and education. NLS provides civil legal aid to the poor and vulnerable residents of Allegheny, Beaver, Butler and Lawrence counties. All of the cases that NLS handles have reached a crisis stage that threatens the fundamental safety and security of low-income individuals living in our community. These issues involve the basic essentials of life such as family security, safety, shelter, food, work, warmth and health.



8,470 CASES HANDLED



3,413 NUMBER OF PROTECTION FROM ABUSE CASES HANDLED



>8,000 PEOPLE REFERRED FOR OTHER ASSISTANCE



\$939,420 OF AWARDS & BENEFITS FOR CLIENTS



17,666 INDIVIDUALS SERVED



1,124 CASES HANDLED BY 193 PRO BONO VOLUNTEERS

ROI

According to studies, in PA each dollar invested in civil legal aid yields an **\$11 return.**

62,836
UNIQUE VISITORS
LOG ONTO
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FOR
INFORMATION

130
OUTREACH
EVENTS

CASES HANDLED FY19-20

FAMILY	51%
HOUSING	30%
CONSUMER	7%
EMPLOYMENT	6%
INCOME MAINTENANCE	5%
MISC	1%

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