

Your Support Makes a Difference!

OUR IMPACT IN 2024



2024 WAS A PIVOTAL YEAR

Maryland Legal Aid launched a bold, new strategic vision to guide our century-old organization forward. Our FY25–FY29 Strategic Plan positions us as a force for justice, advancing legal advocacy, and confronting systemic inequities. The new logo we unveiled signifies that we stand for dignity and justice and that our clients can turn to us for hope and help.

We were fearless advocates, challenging Baltimore City's tax sale system for unconstitutionally stripping homeowners of equity, aiming to preserve generational wealth and strengthen our neighborhoods. Our Tenant Right to Counsel Project closed nearly 5,000 cases and expanded its reach across Maryland. Thanks to you, we relentlessly pursued equity and justice for our clients.



OUR IMPACT FOR CLIENTS



18,277 cases closed



41,167 people benefitted from Maryland Legal Aid's services



2,452 people benefitted from criminal record expungements



325 people benefitted from financial relief from debt related actions



2,240 people avoided or delayed eviction



259 people secured protection from domestic violence

BENEFITS FOR OUR STATE

617% RETURN ON INVESTMENT

Every \$1 invested in Maryland Legal Aid delivers \$6.17 in financial benefits for Maryland*

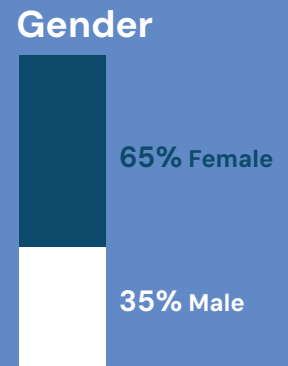
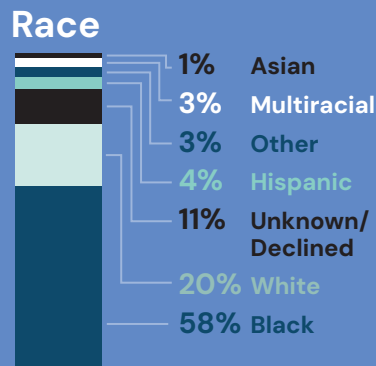
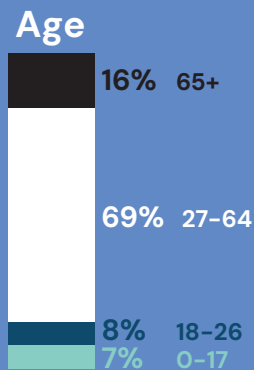
\$197,636,000 TOTAL NET VALUE of community benefits resulting from the legal services provided by Maryland Legal Aid*

*Figures from 2023, according to a study commissioned by Maryland Legal Services Corporation

WHO WE SERVE



Median client household income \$14,400



THE PEOPLE BEHIND THE NUMBERS



“Maryland Legal Aid went beyond what I expected, and if it were not for their efforts, I could have very well been trying to survive this past winter homeless. **Maryland Legal Aid shielded me from every effort to force an eviction** and I truly believe they helped save me. I would not have been able to fight this alone.”
– Mr. K., Baltimore City

“Maryland Legal Aid took the time to understand what we were going through and truly cared about us. Every time we met, I felt welcome and that **their priority was to protect my son Jasper and me**. I am lucky. **I feel Maryland Legal Aid saved my life**. Not everyone in my situation gets out, and now I have somewhere to point other people where to go to get help.”
– Ms. C., Prince George’s County

“My husband wanted full custody. He wanted me to pay alimony, me to pay child support, everything. My daughter was two, and I didn’t have money for a lawyer. **Thanks to them, I got full rights of my daughter**. Maryland Legal Aid made me feel confident and like everything was going to be okay.”
– Ms. A., Cecil/Harford County

FIGHTING FOR JUSTICE FOR ALL MARYLANDERS

Maryland Legal Aid advocates with and for Marylanders experiencing poverty to achieve equity and social justice through free civil legal services, community collaboration, and systems change. We help individuals, families, and communities struggling with their most basic needs—housing, income safety, and security. Our advocacy is driven by a commitment to the rule of law, our belief in equal justice for all, and our determination to break down barriers and improve systems to create a more equitable, thriving Maryland.

JOIN THE FIGHT!

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