



Legal Aid Society
OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
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ANNUAL
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2018

DEAR FRIENDS OF LEGAL AID

It has been quite a year for our city and our country. At times it seems as if we are becoming more divided every day. The economy is booming, yet nearly half of children growing up east of the Anacostia River live in poverty. Beautiful new apartment buildings are rising in much of the District, while many poor residents lack heat in winter. DC is home to some of the best new chefs and restaurants in the country, but too many families struggle to put food on the table.

When you support Legal Aid, you give a voice to your neighbors in DC who have nowhere else to turn.

You make sure there are lawyers at the courthouse and at Legal Aid's community offices in Anacostia and at United Medical Center in Southeast, to be there when our clients need them most. You fight for Monica Jackson and her neighbors at rodent-infested Terrace Manor, helping them win a \$360,000 settlement after a years-long court battle against one of DC's most notorious landlords—a landlord who has now been banned from the District. You help bring a class action lawsuit on behalf of thousands of food stamps recipients who Legal Aid alleged went hungry because of the government's mismanagement. You help expand Legal Aid's work to provide critically-needed legal services for DC's immigrant community.

At this year's Servant of Justice Awards Dinner, Honoree Abid Riaz Qureshi, a partner at Latham & Watkins, spoke about what Legal Aid means to him:

“ The ability to assist one person, impact one individual life, protect the dignity of one family—that is a remarkably enriching experience.”

By supporting Legal Aid, you too are changing the lives of your neighbors in need. Thank you for all you have done, and all that you continue to do.

Sincerely,



David S. Dantzic
President, Board of Trustees
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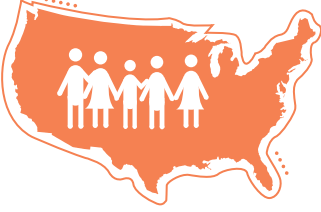
Eric S. Angel
Executive Director
Legal Aid



Throughout this report, names delineated with asterisks have been changed at clients' request.

SERVING DC'S IMMIGRANT RESIDENTS

THE PROJECT IS HELPING IMMIGRANTS SECURE:



Asylum • Work permits • Special Immigrant Juvenile Status • Visas for survivors of domestic violence and trafficking

Immigrants and their families are in fear and under attack throughout the country, and the District is no exception. This year, in response, Legal Aid launched our new Immigrants' Rights Legal Services Project.

With generous seed funding from the Venable Foundation, the Project promotes the safety, stability, and economic security of immigrants and their families. We provide advice, brief services, and representation across Legal Aid's various practice areas, targeted to meet the needs of DC's immigrant community.

In the Project's first few months, we established a partnership with the Carlos Rosario International Public Charter School, where a Legal Aid attorney meets with the school's adult students weekly to help them address their legal issues. So far, we have served more than fifty clients, including applying for a work permit for Yensi Zelaya, an immigrant who fled El Salvador after he had been attacked and beaten by gang members because he is gay, yet police there refused to help him.



I think there are lots of people in the same situation as me, looking for the same kind of help, but some of us can't find it."

LEGAL AID'S GROWTH

Fueled by the support of generous individual donors in the legal community, the DC Council's enhanced commitment to access to justice and eviction prevention funding, and the DC Bar Foundation, Legal Aid has grown substantially but responsibly over the past five years. We have more lawyers, serving more people, across a broader range of legal matters than ever before.

PEOPLE SERVED

Over the last year, Legal Aid has provided full representation to more than 1,350 clients and impacted more than 10,000 people. That's up from full representation for 970 clients and impacting 7,700 people just five years ago.



EXPANDED SERVICES

A major part of Legal Aid's growth has been expanding our work in response to the evolving needs of our client community.

The Domestic Violence Economic Security Project, launched in 2016, ensures that survivors can secure their financial independence by helping them obtain public benefits, healthcare, and child support.



Legal Aid hired our first Senior Policy Advocate in 2017 in order to formalize our policy advocacy efforts and ensure that our client community has its voice heard at the DC Council.



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PROTECTING CONSUMERS

Legal Aid's Consumer Law Unit specializes in preventing foreclosure and protecting at-risk individuals from abusive debt collection practices.

Kendra Richardson, a resident of Ward 8, found herself in DC Small Claims Court facing a potentially devastating debt collection case. Ms. Richardson's landlord had sued her for thousands of dollars of supposed unpaid rent—even though Ms. Richardson had been forced to move because the landlord would not address the horrific bed bug infestation in her unit.



At the courthouse, Ms. Richardson met Tom Papson, a Legal Aid Volunteer Staff Attorney in our Consumer Law Unit (and one of this year's Servant of Justice Awards Honorees). Tom found that the landlord had been charging Ms. Richardson illegal late fees in addition to ignoring her requests for exterminating the bed bugs. Confronted with the clear violations of law and improper conduct, the landlord agreed to drop its claims and pay Ms. Richardson what she was due.

Today, Ms. Richardson is finally free from legal entanglements with this landlord and able to move on with her life. She works as a Patient Services Assistant in the Operating Room at Washington Hospital and is in school to become a surgical tech. And perhaps most importantly, she now lives in a new bed bug-free apartment.

PRESERVING HOMEOWNERSHIP

Ana Mejia Romero dreamed of settling down with her husband, five-year-old daughter, and elderly mother, and owning a little home. In 2007, after working for years, often seven days a week, that dream became a reality when she finally bought her own house.

Like many homebuyers during this time—particularly low-income people of color—Ms. Mejia Romero was targeted by a subprime mortgage lender. Unbeknownst to her, the two mortgage loans she received had predatory features. Ms. Mejia Romero made her payments on time for a number of years, but then fell behind. Not only did her mortgage payments increase substantially, up to \$5,000 per month, but after the birth of her daughter, Ms. Mejia Romero's income shrank while she cared for her newborn.



ANA MEJIA
ROMERO



It was so frustrating that **I could barely sleep.**"

Ms. Mejia Romero's dream quickly became a nightmare as she faced foreclosure. Fortunately, she met Consumer Law attorney Jenny Joseph through Legal Aid's courthouse project. With Jenny's help, Ms. Mejia Romero not only avoided foreclosure, she also obtained a loan modification that enabled her to bring her mortgage current and make affordable monthly payments going forward.

APPELLATE & SYSTEMIC ADVOCACY

BARBARA MCDOWELL APPELLATE ADVOCACY PROJECT

Our nationally-recognized Barbara McDowell Appellate Advocacy Project pursues an affirmative anti-poverty law reform agenda, primarily before the DC Court of Appeals. We litigate cases that have the potential to influence the development of decisional law in a manner that will protect and advance the rights of low-income DC residents.

This past year, the Project won important legal victories which will benefit thousands of local DC residents and addressed procedural issues that affect cases across multiple areas of substantive law.

A small sampling: in *Donna Black v. DC Dept. of Human Services*, Legal Aid won a ruling that will require the District to affirmatively screen residents for their eligibility for specific public benefits. And in *Andrew Johnson v. DC Public Schools*, Legal Aid successfully argued that employees are allowed to challenge their termination even if they begin to draw down on their retirement benefits.

2018 APPELLATE MATTERS



- Housing Vouchers
- Eviction
- Tenant Opportunity to Purchase Act



- Food Stamps
- Unemployment Insurance
- Medicaid
- Workers' Compensation
- Social Security
- POWER Program



- Unfair Debt Collection
- Wage Theft



- Domestic Violence
- Child Support

POLICY ADVOCACY

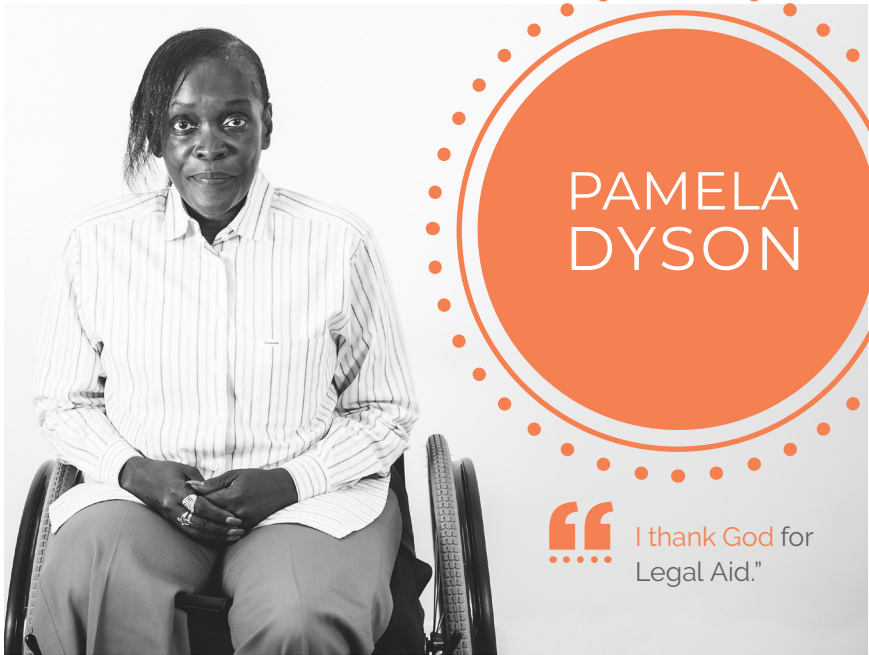
Legal Aid's day-to-day work with our clients gives us a unique perspective on how legislative policy impacts their lives. We work with elected officials and city agencies to advocate for our client community, including through testimony before the City Council. This year, for example, our Consumer Law Unit attorneys have spearheaded efforts to protect low-income consumers from excessive garnishments of their wages, with legislation pending before the DC Council. In addition, as this report goes to press, we are centrally involved in legislative efforts to improve how evictions take place in the Nation's Capital.

FIGHTING HUNGER

Legal Aid's Public Benefits Law Unit helps DC residents obtain necessary lifeline benefits, including food stamps, unemployment insurance, and Social Security disability insurance.

Though individuals should not need a lawyer to obtain the safety-net benefits to which they are legally entitled, systemic inefficiencies and failures resulting in delayed or wrongfully denied benefits often make high-quality legal assistance a necessity. Such was the case for Pamela Dyson, a DC resident who had already overcome many obstacles in her life. She was born with spina bifida, a birth defect of the spinal cord, which resulted in her right leg being amputated above the knee. As a result of her condition, Ms. Dyson needs to use a wheelchair.

Ms. Dyson relies on a modest fixed income and food stamps to pay her rent and household expenses. However, in 2017, her benefits were abruptly terminated while she was in the hospital. The Department of Human Services (DHS) claimed that she had failed to submit a food stamp recertification application, though she had not received any notice. Ms. Dyson completed and submitted the recertification but never received her food stamps. DHS told her that there was no record of her submission for recertification.



With Legal Aid on her side, DHS admitted the agency's failure on multiple fronts. DHS agreed to reinstate Ms. Dyson's food stamps and issue her retroactive benefits for the months she went without food stamps.

Ms. Dyson recently earned an associate's degree in criminal justice. Her goal is to start working as a case manager to help others in her community who face similar challenges.

LINDA
MURPH



Ms. Murph with attorney Kaitlin Welborn, part of the team from Hogan Lovells partnering with Legal Aid on the lawsuit.



The bigger picture is bigger than me. **I'm not the only one in this situation.**

In August 2017, Legal Aid partnered with Hogan Lovells and the National Center for Law and Economic Justice to file a class action lawsuit alleging systemic problems with the District's food stamps program. Essentially, we asserted that thousands of DC residents had gone hungry because of the District's mismanagement.

Linda Murph is a designated class representative in the lawsuit. Ms. Murph has a limited fixed income, and relies on food stamps to make ends meet. In 2017, despite going in person to a government service center to renew her benefits, she stopped receiving her food stamps, without notice. She went for months without them due to the agency's failure to process her recertification application.

The case continues to progress. In May 2018, US District Court Judge Christopher Cooper issued a Preliminary Injunction Order requiring the District to process food stamp recertification applications within the time periods required by law. As the Judge succinctly put it: "The harms described in these affidavits—forgoing food or other necessities—are clearly irreparable in nature."

Judge Cooper also denied the District's motion to dismiss in part, holding that Ms. Murph and her fellow plaintiffs had standing to proceed because their benefits could be improperly delayed or terminated again in the future.

By shining a spotlight on the District's mismanagement of the food stamps program, we hope to improve how the program works for thousands of DC residents.

WORKERS' RIGHTS

When Tye Foster* lost her job at a DC hospital in January 2017, she applied for and was granted unemployment benefits—a critical safety-net program which helps workers make ends meet while they look for another job. However, the hospital filed an appeal, alleging that Ms. Foster had violated the company's parking policies, which they claimed constituted gross misconduct. Because of problems with her mail, Ms. Foster never received notice of the appeal, her court date, or the judge's ultimate decision in the hospital's favor.



“ Knowing that I had some of the best lawyers working on my case felt so much better. I see them as superheroes.”

When she found out what happened, she immediately submitted a request for a hearing. But without a lawyer, she was unable to contest the hospital's motion to deny her hearing request, and the judge ruled in favor of the hospital. Fortunately, Ms. Foster came to Legal Aid.

Public Benefits Law attorneys Jennifer Mezey and Nina Wu took on her case. At a new hearing, they presented evidence that Ms. Foster's alleged "misconduct" was due to contradictory oral and written instructions from the hospital about the parking policies, and that she never intended to violate company policy.

The judge ultimately reinstated Ms. Foster's benefits, helping her make ends meet for several months until she was able to secure a new job.

HOLISTIC LEGAL SERVICES

Our clients' lives are complicated. This is especially true for domestic violence survivors, who often need comprehensive legal support to help them break the cycle of violence and gain financial independence from their abusers. Such was the case for Ana Mwangi* and her daughter.

Ms. Mwangi felt trapped in the wrong life. With her newborn daughter, Eva*, swaddled on her back, her abusive ex-boyfriend held her at gunpoint and sexually assaulted her. As an immigrant from Kenya, Ms. Mwangi was scared to go to court, but she could not risk her or her daughter's safety any longer.

When she went to the Domestic Violence Intake Center in Southeast DC, Legal Aid Family Law attorney Jamie Sparano helped her secure a Civil Protection Order which ensured that her ex-boyfriend could not threaten, contact, or assault her or Eva.

To truly be independent, though, Ms. Mwangi needed more economic security. Carolyn Rumer, an Equal Justice Works Fellow (sponsored by Latham & Watkins) in our Public Benefits Law Unit, stepped in. Carolyn helped Ms. Mwangi obtain emergency food stamps after the District failed to act on her application in time, as well as health insurance and cash assistance. She is rebuilding her life, focusing on providing opportunities for Eva's future.



Ana Mwangi with her daughter and Legal Aid attorneys Carolyn Rumer and Jamie Sparano.

FAMILY LAW

In addition to helping survivors of domestic violence, Legal Aid's Family Law Unit attorneys represent clients in child support and custody matters, including clients like James Reed.



I'm overwhelmed that it turned out like this."

Ten years ago, Mr. Reed was in a new relationship and was overjoyed when he learned he was going to be a father. When the child was born, he signed an Acknowledgment of Paternity, but he did so without any of the legally-required notifications and disclosures, which are important protections required to ensure that putative fathers do not lightly undertake the lifelong commitment of paternity.

Determinations of paternity have far-reaching consequences regarding custody, decisions related to education and healthcare, and more. When an Acknowledgment of Paternity is signed by a non-biological father, all these rights are stripped from a true father who should have the opportunity to be involved in his child's life.

After the child was born, Mr. Reed realized that the child may not be his. Over the years, Mr. Reed was brought to court by the government several times for child support, but his requests for a paternity test were denied.

With the help of his Legal Aid attorney, Mr. Reed told his story yet again. This time, the judge was convinced that the Acknowledgment of Paternity was invalid and ordered a DNA test.

Throughout the case, Mr. Reed was adamant that he would gladly pay support if the child was indeed his. However, after a decade of child support hearings, Mr. Reed soon learned that he was not the father, bringing much-needed clarity to Mr. Reed and, frankly, the family in question. With paternity disestablished, Mr. Reed will no longer be brought to court to support a child who is not his own—and the mother will now be able to pursue the actual biological father in the case.

STANDING UP FOR TENANTS

Legal Aid's Housing Law Unit is our largest (and still growing) practice area. From improving housing conditions to eviction defense, we fight to level the playing field for DC's most vulnerable tenants.

Luz Clara Gonzalez, a transgender rights activist from El Salvador, was trying to get on her feet. With no credit and chronic medical issues that landed her in and out of the hospital, she struggled to find stable housing and was living on the streets. However, with the help of her sister as co-signer, an apartment complex accepted Ms. Gonzalez as a tenant.

One day, the apartment's management company changed, and the building (which sits in the heart of gentrifying Petworth) was marketed for sale. Many tenants were being evicted for what appeared to be invalid reasons. The landlord soon attempted to do the same to Ms. Gonzalez.

Legal Aid Housing Law attorney Maggie Donahue took on the case, filing multiple briefs about the landlord's failed obligations and beginning a days-long evidentiary hearing.



In the middle of the evidentiary hearing, the landlord agreed to dismiss the case, move Ms. Gonzalez to a new unit in the building, make her an "official" tenant with her own lease, and waive the rent the landlord had refused to accept after the case began. Ms. Gonzalez, who could have been homeless, now has stable housing as she rebuilds her life.

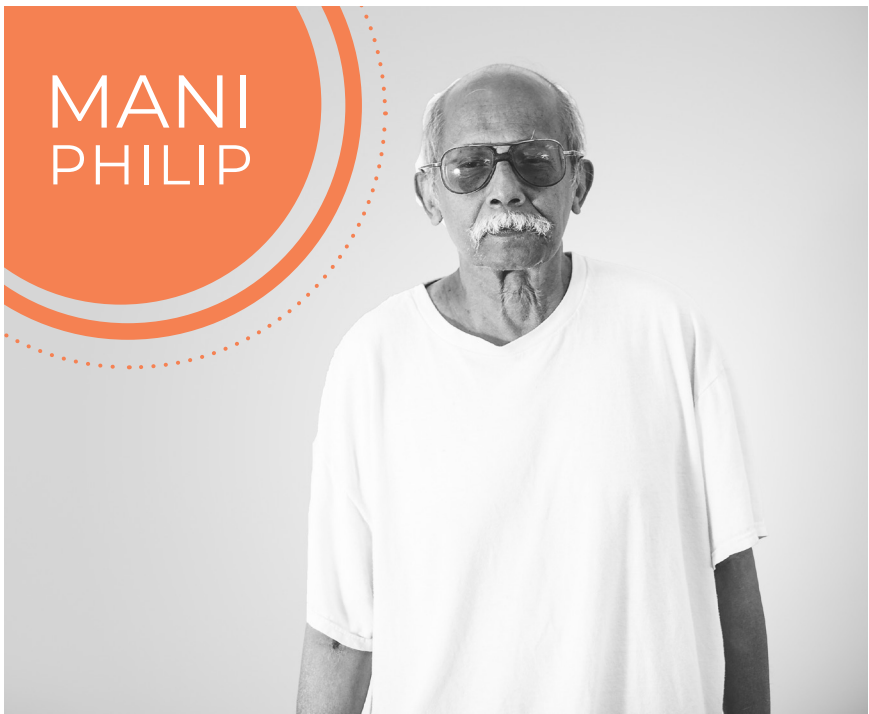
PREVENTING EVICTION

Mani Philip has lived in his Adams Morgan cooperative since 1999. A 70-year-old immigrant from Pakistan, Mr. Philip recently asked the cooperative for assistance in moving his furniture when he reported seeing bed bugs in his unit. The cooperative agreed to help Mr. Philip get his apartment ready for extermination, yet subsequently alleged that he did not properly prepare the unit for treatment.

These allegations turned into threats of eviction. Mr. Philip believed the cooperative's attempts to evict him were to finish clearing out the long-term residents whose carrying charges fell below market rents for the area.

In an attempt to rectify the situation, Mr. Philip paid thousands of dollars of his own money for multiple exterminations, sleeping on the floor rather than his bed in between exterminations. But the cooperative terminated his membership and filed an eviction case against him.

Fortunately, Mr. Philip came to Legal Aid. With Legal Aid's help, Mr. Philip was able to settle his case with an agreement that the cooperative would pay for a high-quality bedbug inspector to conduct regular inspections of the unit (and treatments, if necessary) for four months. Not only is Mr. Philip no longer living in fear of a bed bug infestation, he was also able to restore his nearly 20-year cooperative membership.



*You, Legal Aid Society did not brush me aside
Like many other similar offices did
When I came to you begging for help, for real justice*

– From a poem written by Mr. Philip about his experience

PRO BONO

PRO BONO IN 2017



38,700 Hours
\$22.9 million in value

Legal Aid integrates pro bono into almost every aspect of our work. Volunteer attorneys provide full representation for clients referred from Legal Aid, conduct initial interviews with potential clients in our NW and SE locations, work in-house with our Legal Aid team as law firm Loaned Associates or Volunteer Staff Attorneys, and much more.

By leveraging our robust pro bono network, Legal Aid is able to significantly expand our impact and reach in order to provide legal assistance and representation to hundreds of additional clients each year.

“ I have had the pleasure of working with clients who thought I was helping them, when, in actuality, they were helping me to become a better person, lawyer, and advocate.”

– Jahnisa Tate Loadholt

Jahnisa Tate Loadholt of Alston & Bird was honored for her pro bono work with the Klepper Prize for Volunteer Excellence at this year’s Servant of Justice Awards Dinner. She stands out for her work on child custody cases, thriving on the unique challenges presented by these matters which are so intensely personal for her clients.



FINANCIAL STATEMENT

(1/1/2017 to 12/31/2017)

REVENUE

Adjusted Grants and Contributions	\$	7,243,045
Contributed Services	\$	22,917,449
Special Events	\$	1,227,932
Investment Income	\$	87,504
Total Revenue	\$	31,475,930
Contributions to Endowments	\$	21,850
Total Revenue Less Endowment Gifts and Contributed Services	\$	8,536,631

EXPENSES

Program Services	\$	27,606,582
Management and General	\$	461,021
Fundraising	\$	608,719
Total Expenses Less Contributed Services	\$	5,758,873

Please visit www.LegalAidDC.org to see our complete audited financial statement and IRS Form 990.

2018 SERVANT OF JUSTICE AWARDS

On April 24, 2018, Legal Aid honored Thomas C. Papson, Volunteer Staff Attorney at Legal Aid, and Abid Riaz Qureshi, Partner at Latham & Watkins, with our Servant of Justice Award.

Legal Aid thanks all of its supporters, and especially the Dinner Steering Committee, led by Peter Thomas of Simpson Thacher & Bartlett and Joan E. McKown of Jones Day, who co-chaired the awards dinner, which raised a record \$1.3 million for Legal Aid.



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Abid Riaz Qureshi

Thomas C. Papson (middle) with Eric Angel and Jennifer Lavallee, Supervising Attorney in Legal Aid's Consumer Law Unit.



I marvel at the dedication and zealousness with which Legal Aid lawyers provide representation and achieve outcomes that are often life-changing for our clients."

– Thomas C. Papson



Legal Aid, you provide an opportunity for lawyers to use their skills to fight injustices where we see them, to right wrongs, to pay attention when others might turn away."

– Abid Riaz Qureshi

HONORING A TRUE PARTNER



Monica Jackson with her daughter Marteka

which time Terrace Manor's tenants won a \$360,000 settlement from notorious DC landlord Sanford Capital and secured a new buyer who committed to rehabilitating the apartment complex.

Legal Aid's Partnership Award recognizes significant collaborations with non-legal organizations and individuals that advance the cause of access to justice. At this year's Servant of Justice Awards Dinner, we bestowed the Award on Legal Aid client Monica Jackson.

Monica Jackson is the President of the Terrace Manor Organized for Change Tenants Association. Ms. Jackson demonstrated tremendous leadership over the past three years during

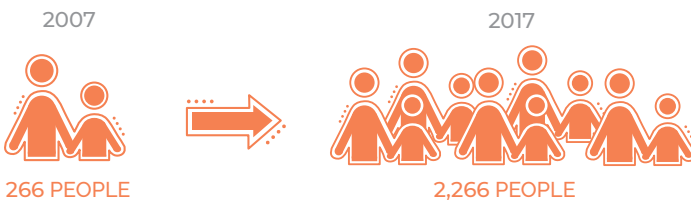
“ Thank you to my neighbors, who stood strong through years of struggle and intimidation. It is on behalf of all of the brave tenants of Terrace Manor, including my sister and daughter, that I accept this award.” – Monica Jackson

Sanford Capital purchased the 61-unit complex in 2011, and allowed the property to languish, deteriorating further from years of neglect. The Tenants Association coordinated with the DC Office of the Attorney General, Bread for the City, and Housing Counseling Services to file a complaint, but Sanford attempted to sidestep them by declaring bankruptcy. Legal Aid and Arnold & Porter stepped in to represent 11 individual tenants in pursuing compensation for the many years their homes were in deplorable condition.

LEGAL AID'S HOUSING WORK OVER THE YEARS

Legal Aid has grown our housing work in innovative ways to help keep more tenants in their homes. This includes establishing a presence at the Landlord Tenant courthouse office in 2007 to provide tenants with access to immediate same-day legal services in housing matters, and in 2015 establishing the Housing Right to Counsel Project to conduct outreach and guarantee counsel to a subset of low-income tenants.

WE SERVED **8.5X** AS MANY PEOPLE IN 2017 COMPARED TO 2007.



GENEROUS ASSOCIATES CAMPAIGN

Legal Aid's 2018 Generous Associates Campaign, our annual fundraising drive led by associates at Washington, DC law firms, began the summer with an ambitious goal: to raise \$2 million for our client community. In stunning and record-shattering fashion, this year's Campaign raised \$2.15 million—smashing our previous record by more than \$350,000. Special thanks to Honorary Chair Beth Brinkmann of Covington & Burling for her relentless leadership during the Campaign.

2018 TOP FUNDRAISING FIRM COMPETITION RESULTS

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\$207,446

WilmerHale
\$148,977

Covington & Burling
\$45,197

Crowell & Moring
\$40,537

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\$35,816

251 – 300 ATTORNEYS

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\$118,647

Skadden, Arps, Slate,
Meagher & Flom
\$79,020

Steptoe & Johnson
\$70,000

Venable
\$56,733

Jones Day
\$46,915

201 – 250 ATTORNEYS

Kirkland & Ellis
\$81,600

Mayer Brown
\$65,466

Wiley Rein
\$35,994

Arent Fox
\$21,682

151 – 200 ATTORNEYS

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\$57,114

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\$24,247

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\$7,123

101 – 150 ATTORNEYS

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\$32,313

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\$29,239

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\$28,677

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The Making Justice Real Legacy Council recognizes Legal Aid's supporters who have made a transformative impact on Legal Aid and on advancing the cause of access to justice in DC. Members commit to donating at least \$100,000 to Legal Aid.



But for our good fortune in life, **we could be facing the same problems** that Legal Aid's clients face." – Phil and Roberta Horton, two of the founding members of the Making Justice Real Legacy Council

INTRODUCING THE FOUNDING MEMBERS OF THE MAKING JUSTICE REAL LEGACY COUNCIL

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David and Martha Dantzic
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BENEFACTOR

\$10,000 to \$19,999

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