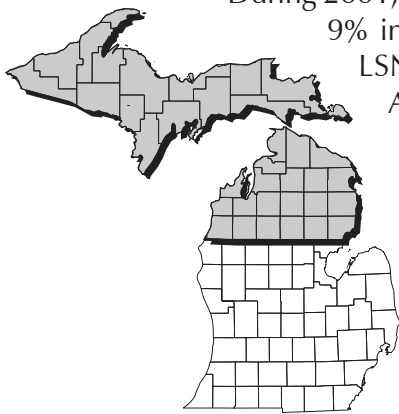


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LSNM Office Locations: Alpena, Escanaba, Gaylord, Houghton, Marquette, Petoskey, Sault Ste. Marie, and Traverse City

LSNM Service Area: Alcona, Alger, Alpena, Antrim, Baraga, Benzie, Charlevoix, Cheboygan, Chippewa, Crawford, Delta, Dickinson, Emmet, Gogebic, Grand Traverse, Houghton, Iosco, Iron, Kalkaska, Keweenaw, Leelanau, Luce, Mackinac, Manistee, Marquette, Menominee, Missaukee, Montmorency, Ogemaw, Ontonagon, Oscoda, Otsego, Presque Isle, Roscommon, Schoolcraft, and Wexford Counties

Service Population: 144,736 individuals living at or below 125% of the poverty level



During 2001, LSNM closed 3,359 cases, a 9% increase from the prior year.

LSNM maintained three Area Agency on Aging grants and focused on providing better services to seniors, including informational presentations on legal issues important to seniors. LSNM instituted an Internet Representation Project to allow client screening and the provision of information and advice

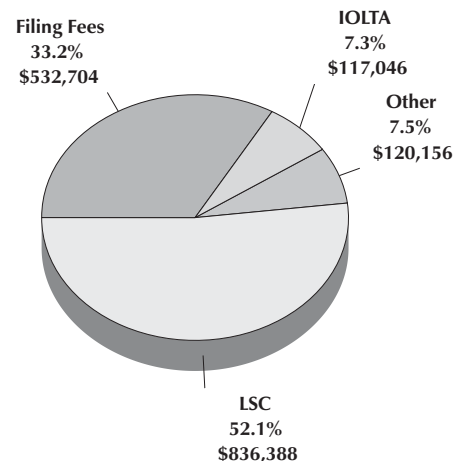
electronically. LSNM is further developing this model to increase the number of pro bono attorneys who can use its flexibility to deliver services across LSNM's vast geographical area.

LSNM upgraded its computer system and web site to provide easier access to research sites for staff and to provide educational material for LSNM's clients. LSNM devoted time to a state planning process which resulted in the federal funder reversing a prior decision that LSNM be merged with another service area, allowing LSNM to maintain its current service area.

A company was taking advantage of churches to push people into establishing trusts which named the church as a beneficiary. Often these trusts were not in the best interest of the client and did not contain his or her expressed intent. LSNM worked with the Attorney General's office and a private attorney to end the practice. The initial client obtained her money back, and the trust was revoked through a legal proceeding. LSNM continues to work to obtain broader relief for other victims.

A mother and her 10-year-old son fled another state and came to Michigan to escape her abusive husband. He followed her to Michigan and was convicted in two separate courts of violating a Personal Protection Order and stalking. After the woman filed for divorce, her husband took the child out of state in violation of a court order. LSNM worked with the prosecutor to extradite the husband and to secure custody for the mother. The mother and child are now back together and safe from further abuse.

LSNM Sources of Funding for 2001: \$ 1,606,294



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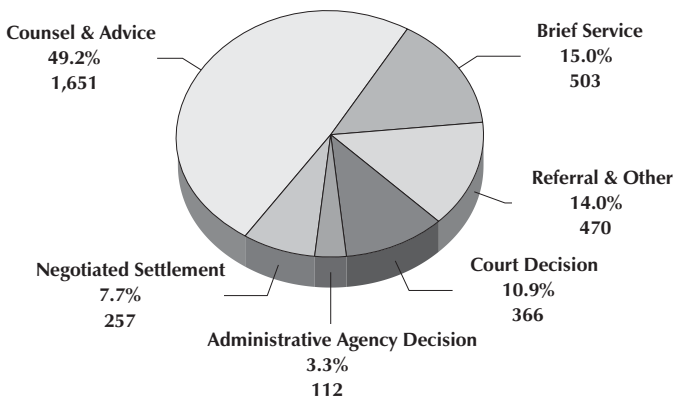
Community Outreach and Collaboration. Many LSNM staff members are involved with community groups and activities. The director in Escanaba is a member of a five-county community mental health recipient's rights committee and appeal board and of a three-county community action agency whose recent projects include a mixed-income housing development. Two LSNM attorneys in Escanaba serve on the Abuse Alliance Coalition in the tri-county region. The LSNM attorney in Houghton serves on the boards of a home for delinquent and neglected girls and a substance abuse center. He also makes presentations to the Upper Peninsula Community Action Program on elder law issues. An attorney in Traverse City gives annual presentations to landlords concerning landlord-tenant law. The deputy director in Traverse City works closely with the local domestic violence centers. One LSNM attorney has been working with the Michigan Department of Attorney General and the State Bar of Michigan after encountering a company that was fraudulently selling costly probate "trust kits" to senior citizens who did not need them.

Client Age	
18 & Under	36
19-59	2,638
60 & Over	685
Groups	0
Total	3,359

Pro Bono Support. Pro bono attorneys closed 480 cases for LSNM in 2001. LSNM works closely with the Grand Traverse-Leelanau-Antrim County Bar Association to sponsor the Third Level Crisis Intervention Center pro bono clinic and referral program. There are also pro bono attorney panels in Wexford, Missaukee, and Roscommon Counties. Preliminary discussions were held concerning the creation of a pro bono group in Gogebic and Ontonagon Counties. LSNM also referred 5 cases through the State Bar of Michigan's Domestic Violence Pro Bono Project to private attorneys.

Client Ethnicity	
White	3,133
Black	39
Hispanic	30
Native American	146
Asian	11
Other	0
Total	3,359

LSNM Types of Service in 2001



LSNM Cases Closed in 2001: 3,359

