

## Legal Services – Funding for Eviction Diversion Program

Cases Closed – Final Report for 2025

Reporting Period: January 1, 2025 – December 31, 2025

**TOTAL EVICTION CASES HANDLED BY LEGAL SERVICES PROGRAMS: 20,014**  
**LEGAL AID ASSISTANCE HELPED PREVENT EVICTION FOR 6,297 HOUSEHOLDS**

Evictions Cases	LAWM	LSEM	LSNM	MAP-LSSCM	LLA	MLS	Totals
Cases completed including Extended/Representation	2,373	2,192	309	3,169	8,837	484	17,364
Legal Cases pending as of 12/31/2025	316	28	58	362	419	0	2,650
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>1,283</b>	<b>1,088</b>	<b>241</b>	<b>2,005</b>	<b>6,187</b>	<b>406</b>	<b>20,014</b>

*LLA = Wayne (including City of Detroit), Oakland and Macomb*

*LAWM = Western Region (Grand Rapids, Muskegon, Kalamazoo and surrounding counties)*

*LSEM = Eastern Region (Flint, Saginaw, thumb and surrounding counties)*

*LSNM = Northern part of lower peninsula and upper peninsula*

*MAP/LSSCM = South Central Region (Lansing, Ann Arbor, Battle Creek and surrounding counties)*

*MLS = City of Detroit*

### Total cases handled, including services provided

Services Provided (Completed Cases Only)	Number	Percentage of Total	Percentage of Subtotal
Legal Advice provided	9,169		82%
Limited Services provided	2,041		18%
<b>Total Advice/Brief Assistance provided</b>	<b>11,210</b>	<b>65%</b>	<b>100%</b>
Negotiated Settlement Pre-Court Filing	115		2%
Negotiated Settlement after Case filed	5,244		85%
Court Decision	678		11%
Other Extended Services Provided	117		2%
<b>Total Full Representation by an Attorney</b>	<b>6,154</b>	<b>35%</b>	<b>100%</b>
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>17,364</b>	<b>100%</b>	

### Outcomes for Full Representation Cases (completed cases only)

Individuals represented by an attorney who achieved a positive result, and their eviction was prevented	5,986	97.27%
Individuals represented by an attorney who were not successful in reaching their goals	147	2.39%
Individuals represented by an attorney whose was later determined to lack merit to proceed.	3	0.05%
Individuals who do not continue legal aid representation until case completion or the outcome was not reported.	18	.29%
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>6,154</b>	<b>100%</b>

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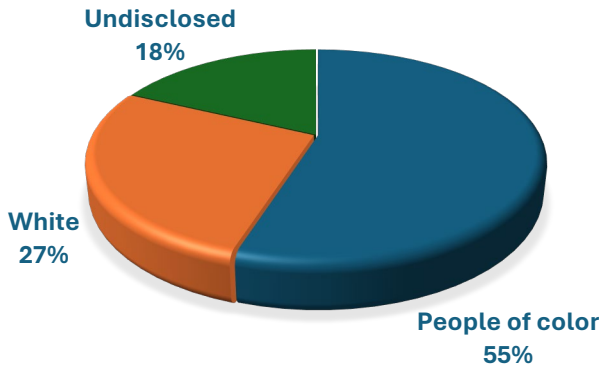
### Outcomes for Advice/Brief Assistance Provided Cases (completed cases only)

Individuals who were provided legal advice and represented themselves and achieved a positive result and their eviction was prevented if advice and higher outcome.	311	2.8%
Individuals were provided advice, but the legal aid programs did not have resources to represent the case. This number demonstrates unmet need. 002	5,924	52.8%
Individuals were provided legal advice by an attorney whose case was later determined to lack merit to proceed. 004	361	3.2%
Individuals who only needed legal advice to resolve their question. Often clients do not report back the outcome of their case after receiving advice. 001	4,583	40.9%
Individuals provided legal advice and represented themselves and obtained an unsuccessful result 640	31	0.3%
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>11,210</b>	<b>100%</b>

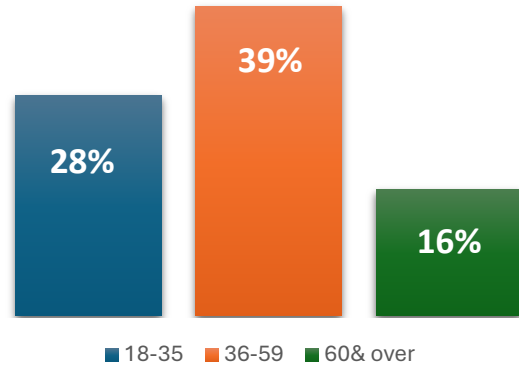
### Who Legal Aid Helped

<b>Total Number of Persons in Household Helped: 39,712</b>	
<b>Total Number of Adults</b>	<b>22,238</b>
<b>Total Number of Children</b>	<b>17,474</b>

#### RACE OF CLIENTS SERVED



#### CLIENTS SERVED BY AGE



#### Securing Housing Stability for a Single Mother

*Kari, a working mother of six, sought help after her landlord evicted her from a home that repeatedly failed HUD inspections; while falsely claiming she owed thousands in rent. The eviction caused her to lose her Section 8 voucher, resulting in homelessness, job loss, and ongoing harassment from the landlord. Through legal aid's assistance, Kari's housing voucher was reinstated, and she ultimately secured new employment and moved her family into safe, stable housing.*