MID-SHORE PRO BONO

# ANNUAL REPORT FY2022





# FROM OUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

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Meredith L. Girard, Esq. **Executive Director** 

This was truly a year of transition at Mid-Shore Pro Bono - we bid a fond farewell to long-time executive director, Sandy Brown, and welcomed new professional staff including legal director, Laura Chafey, Esq., administrative director, Cheryl Lee, staff attorney, Geoffrey Cooke, Esq., and outreach and communications coordinator, Edith Ramirez.

Our Board of Directors helped us to establish new employee benefits, including health, vision, and dental care, and matching funds for retirement savings.

These critical investments will increase our staff's well-being and help us to deliver the best services possible to our clients. Mid-Shore Pro Bono was also the recipient of an especially meaningful gift from the Estate of Lois Krum, who had a special connection to Mid-Shore Pro Bono's work.

This gift was the result of Ms. Krum's thoughtful planned giving resulting in a wonderful legacy of commitment to our community.

We are deeply grateful for the support our funding and donor community has provided during this year of change and new beginnings.

We are looking forward to putting these investments to work in the coming year to expand our services and make justice accessible for everyone on the Eastern Shore.

Warmest regards,

merez John MEREDITH L. GIRARD, ESQ.

Executive Director, Mid-Shore Pro Bono

"Justice is what love looks like in public." Dr. Cornel West



# **BRIDGES TO JUSTICE AND FAIRNESS**



3,078
People Served/
Calls for Help



1,331
People Obtained
Counseling From
An Attorney

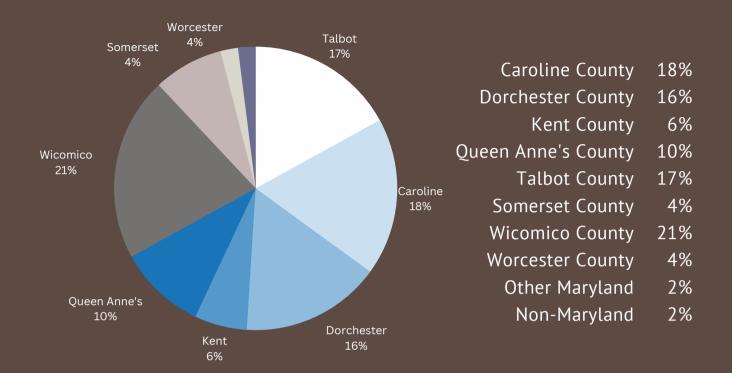


People Got Representation From An Attorney In Their Legal Matter

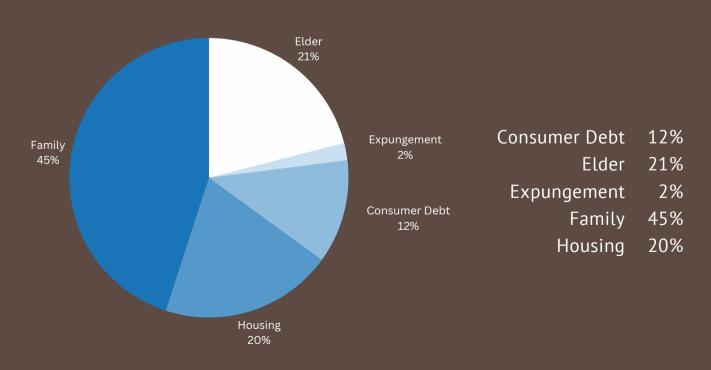


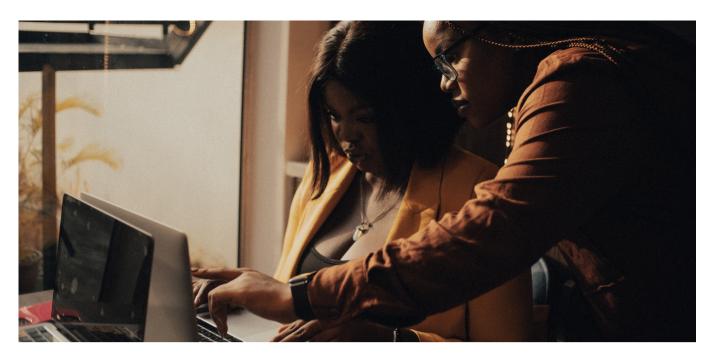
People Obtained
Life Planning
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# CLOSED PRO BONO CASES BY COUNTY

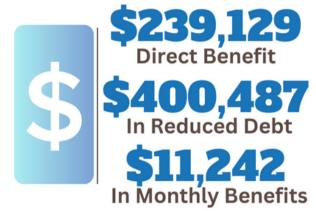


# PRO BONO CASE TYPES





# **OUR IMPACT**







96 Volunteers







# MAJOR ACCOMPLISHMENTS FY2022



We marked the end of an era – long-term Executive Director Sandy Brown steps down, new leadership appointed



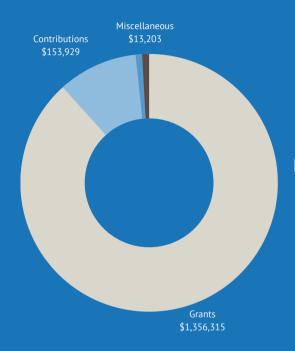
Established and launched the Sandy Brown Public Interest Internship



Received a generous, planned giving donation from the Estate of Lois Krum

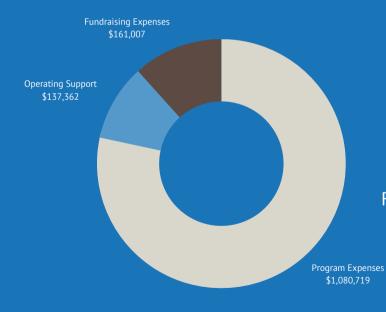
Established a robust benefits package for staff including health, vision, dental, and contribution to retirement.

# **FINANCIALS**



## **FY2022 REVENUE**

TOTAL REVENUES	\$1,491,659	100%
Asset Disposal	(\$8,629)	6%
Loss on Investments	(\$35,749)	-2.4%
Miscellaneous	\$13,203	.9%
Program Income & Fees	\$12,590	.9%
Contributions	\$153,929	10.3%
Grants	\$1,356,315	90.9%



## **FY2022 EXPENSES**

Program Expenses \$1,080,719 78.37%
Operating Support \$137,362 9.96%
Fundraising Expenses \$161,007 11.67%
TOTAL EXPENSES \$1,379,088 100%



# **FY22 JUSTICE SUPPORTERS**

#### **GRANTORS**

American College of Bankruptcy
Caroline County (ERAP)

Community Foundation of the Eastern Shore

Harry and Jeanette Weinberg Foundation

Leonard & Helen R. Stulman Foundation

Maryland Bar Foundation

Maryland Legal Services Corporation

Maryland Administrative Office of the Courts

Maryland Department of Housing and

Community Development (DHCD)

Opioid Operational Command Center (OOCC)

**Olarant Foundation** 

Queen Anne's County (ERAP)

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Talbot Family Network

**United Way of Kent County** 

United Way of the Lower Eastern Shore

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### MISSION

Our mission is to support and assist individuals and families who are unable to afford representation in civil legal matters and to provide connections to community services.

## VISION

All people are empowered to resolve civil legal issues.

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