

Impact Report

FY24–FY25



LETTER FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Dear Friends,

As I look back on this year, I'm filled with gratitude and determination. Gratitude for the incredible people who make Community Legal Services what it is and determination to keep fighting for justice in a world where it is still too often denied.

Every day, our clients face overwhelming challenges: poverty, discrimination, and systems that are stacked against them. And every day, our staff shows up with brilliance, creativity, and deep compassion. They fight hard and think boldly. They find solutions where others see dead ends. And they do it all with an unwavering focus on the people we serve. I am endlessly proud of them—of their skill, their heart, and the way they stand beside our clients through even the hardest moments.

Thanks to your support, our advocates have helped families stay in their homes; secured critical income, healthcare and benefits for people struggling to get by; and pushed for systemic changes that make our city fairer and more just. Your partnership makes this possible. You give us the strength and the stability to keep going, even when the road is steep.

As we head into CLS's 60th anniversary year, the challenges we face are real and, at times, daunting. But so is our resolve. Together, with your trust, your generosity, and our shared belief that justice belongs to everyone, we will keep fighting.

Thank you for standing with us, for believing in our mission, and for giving hope to thousands of people each year.

With deep appreciation,



Debby Freedman
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

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Saving Ms. Green's Home

Growing up in the seventies, Ann Green felt like her home was a landmark in Strawberry Mansion.

Ms. Green's parents, a former seamstress and a poultry dealer, block captain, veteran, and handyman, kept their doors open to loved ones. When aunties and uncles fell on hard times, they always had a place to go and a seat at the table for Sunday dinner. Even after she moved out and started her own family, Ms. Green's friends would drop by to reminisce on the glorious days and nights they spent at "30th Street," as the house was affectionately called.

Eventually, Ms. Green moved back home to look after her mom and uncle after her dad and aunt passed away. She took care of her mom and did not leave mom's side until mom passed away at 101 years old.

As Ms. Green mourned the loss of her mother, she faced another formidable challenge: saving the beloved family home from foreclosure.

In 2007, Ms. Green's mother heard about a reverse mortgage program for seniors and took out a loan at the age of 85. The mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother assured her daughter that no matter what, "This is your house."

But years later, the mortgage was in default due to the death of the borrower. To make matters worse, Ms. Green received a letter saying that the Pennsylvania Department of Human Services was filing a \$490,000 estate recovery claim for mom's nursing care.

With more than \$200,000 in student loan debt from getting her master's degree at age 60 and insufficient income from Social Security, she was not approved for a mortgage. The reverse mortgage company would not allow her to renew the reverse mortgage and told her that there was not enough equity in the home. Overwhelmed, Ann sat at the dining room table that once hosted Sunday dinners and wept.

When Ms. Green walked through CLS's doors, she resolved to do everything she possibly could to carry out her mom's desire. Deep inside, she feared it was already too late. Her CLS attorney acknowledged that hers would be a difficult case and then got to work on developing a legal strategy to keep Ms. Green in her home where she belonged.

It took more than a year and a collaborative team effort, but in Ms. Green's own words, **"CLS was able to pull off a victory that I did not even believe was possible."**

CLS represented our client in the foreclosure case, helped her enroll in a debt relief plan for her student loans, and applied for a waiver on the estate recovery claim. In the meantime, Ms. Green returned to work as a substance abuse therapist at 65 years old. Following her mom's example, she jumped in to help others amid her own storm, and her hard work paid off!

As a result of our joint efforts, Ms. Green's mountainous student loan debt was discharged, and PA DHS waived the entire estate recovery claim. With additional income, she successfully applied for a fair and affordable mortgage to pay off the reverse mortgage. She saved her home!

When Ms. Green first read her new deed, she became full of emotion and couldn't sign it right away. That evening, she came home, collapsed into her mom's favorite chair and said, "Mommy, it's done. It's finished."

Ms. Green is certain that her home was saved so that it can continue to be a place of refuge for her family for years to come. With the threat of foreclosure behind her, Sunday dinner will be served once again!

CLS's Impact by the Numbers

Since July 2023, CLS has helped **23,716 Philadelphians** when they faced the threat of losing their homes, income, health care, and even their families.

Over the past two years, we've helped:

12,256

Clients with
Disabilities

9,979

Families with Kids

5,667

Seniors

2,132

Clients who Speak 34
Languages

CLS's outstanding legal representation helped clients access millions of dollars to keep their families afloat!

\$8.2M

in disability benefits

\$5.2M

in SNAP, cash
assistance, childcare,
and other public
benefits

\$2.7M

in grants to help
homeowners save their
homes

\$2.2M

in utility bill assistance

3,793

Number of homes
preserved by
preventing eviction
and foreclosure



952

Number of criminal
records sealed so that
workers can access
decent jobs



822

Number of families
represented who were
at risk of utility shutoff



648

Number of wills created
to protect our clients'
family homes and
generational wealth



Your gift to CLS helps our clients get a fair chance to be heard and emerge stronger than before. Thank you for making our life-changing advocacy possible!

A Joyful Childhood for Marisa

Marisa's list of her favorite things is a mile long and ever-growing! She loves coloring, drawing, and reading books with her mom... baby dolls, bubbles, and unicorns, too... and please don't forget Bluey and Peppa Pig. At four years old, Marisa is making a big splash in her corner of the world.

But Marisa can't experience the simple wonders of childhood very often. Born with a genetic condition that caused serious liver complications, Marisa has complex medical needs and will likely need a liver transplant. She came to CLS through our successful medical-legal partnership (MLP) at two Children's Hospital of Philadelphia (CHOP) primary care sites.

In 2023, when Marisa was only two years old, her mom Daniela had to stop working to care for her toddler around the clock. Daniela currently administers three medications seven times a day through a syringe, and the number of medications and frequency of doses keep increasing. Marisa also has severe feeding and sleep issues, intense itching from her medication, fatigue, and sensitivity to light and heat. As a result, finding childcare is impossible for Daniela.

Although caring family members provided food and shelter, Daniela struggled to afford necessities like transportation to medical appointments and clothing that would not worsen Marisa's itching. Recognizing that she could not return to work, Daniela applied for Supplemental Security Income (SSI), a disability benefit for children and adults, to make ends meet.

When Marisa's initial SSI application was denied, CLS was there to assist with her appeal.

Our CHOP MLP attorney knew that it would be difficult to get Marisa approved for disability benefits, but he was up for the challenge. Our client had 4,000 pages of medical evidence, all illustrating the debilitating nature of her

rare condition. Marisa's disability causes developmental delays, frequent doctor visits, and many disruptions to her daily life. However, the Social Security disability standard for liver conditions is written such that only very specific test results will meet the standard, and Marisa's medical records did not perfectly match up.

Daniela understood that her appeal would not be an easy win, and she listened carefully as her attorney prepared her for what to expect at the hearing. Together, Daniela and her attorney documented Marisa's daily struggles and made the case that her limitations are functionally equivalent to the disability standard. Daniela did a phenomenal job advocating for Marisa before Social Security's administrative law judge (ALJ).

With Daniela's compelling testimony and CLS's legal expertise fighting on Marisa's behalf, we won the case! The ALJ issued a fully favorable decision and awarded \$17,588 in retroactive benefits. In fact, he thanked Daniela for her very thorough testimony and acknowledged that medical evidence doesn't always paint the full picture.

Thanks to CLS's fierce advocacy, Daniela has funds available to care for her little girl and ensure that Marisa has the best quality of life possible!



\$17,588 in retroactive benefits for our client, 4 year old Marisa

RAISING OUR VOICE: IT'S A PHILLY THING

As proud Philadelphians, CLS speaks up when our neighbors are not being treated fairly. Our strategic use of the media delivers important information to communities, gives clients an opportunity to speak their truth, and brings attention to critical issues.

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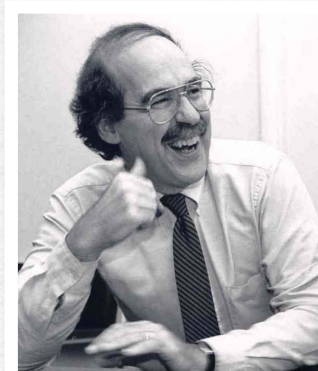
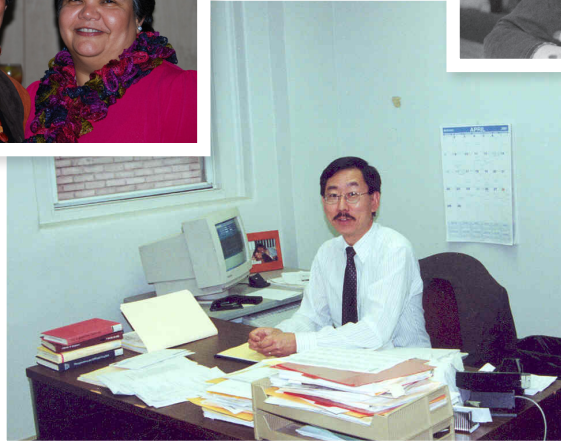
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Since 1966, CLS has led the way in Philadelphia-based civil legal aid and has been a model for legal services nationwide. For 60 years, CLS's cutting-edge advocacy and life-changing legal representation has helped countless families access justice, and we are not slowing down! As we look back on the incredible moments that have shaped who we are, we feel such gratitude to have you in our corner. Thank you for standing with us in the fight for justice!





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After nearly 7 months of creative problem-solving and tireless advocacy, our legal team overcame burdensome red tape and restored our client's access to SSI. Our client's loving daughters can continue to take great care of their mom!

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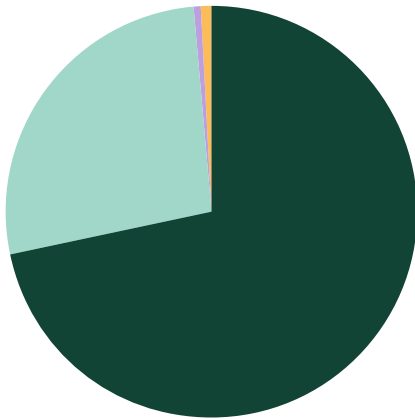
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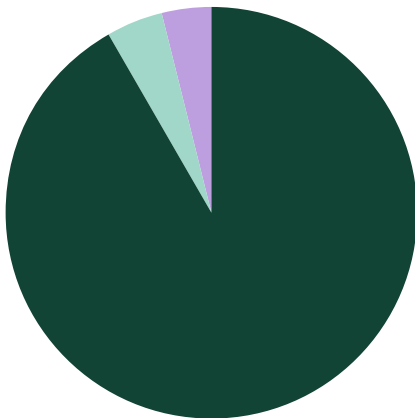
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Contributions	\$7,744,054
Attorney Fees	\$123,639
Interest Income	\$195,863
Total Revenue	\$28,681,898

EXPENSES



Program Services	\$24,321,227
Management & General	\$1,216,945
Fundraising	\$993,383
Total Expenses	\$26,531,555

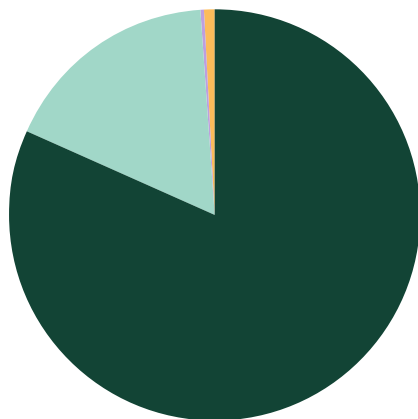
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Net Assets Beginning of Year	\$18,564,793
Net Assets End of Year	\$20,812,667
Change in Assets	\$2,247,874

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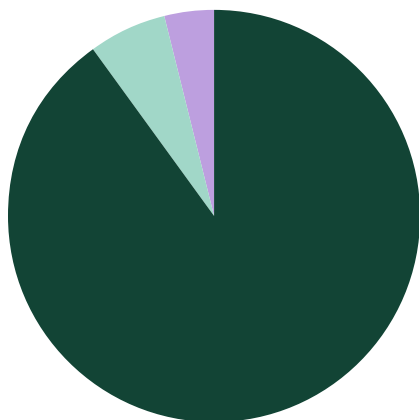
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TOTAL REVENUES & OTHER SUPPORT



Contracts & Grants	\$23,298,174
Contributions	\$4,849,640
Attorney Fees	\$141,840
Interest Income	\$174,296
Subtotal Revenue	\$28,463,950

EXPENSES



Program Services	\$26,037,775
Management & General	\$1,769,088
Fundraising	\$1,107,049
Total Expenses	\$28,913,912

TOTAL ASSETS

Net Assets Beginning of Year	\$21,802,149
Net Assets End of Year	\$21,460,783
Change in Assets*	(\$341,366)

*The FY25 Net Assets Beginning of Year were adjusted above the FY24 Net Assets End of Year to reflect a payment of prior year revenue made in FY25.



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