



2024 ANNUAL REPORT



Where Justice Matters.

MESSAGE FROM OUR CEO



2024 was a special year for The Legal Project. With the help of our wonderful staff, volunteers, and community partners, we helped more than 7,000 people in the Capital Region, hosted a successful Stand Up For Justice event, and expanded our offices into our new space at 204 Lafayette Street in Schenectady. Above all, we made new, meaningful connections and learned more ways to support the people who depend on our services.

We are very excited about 2025; this year marks the 30th Anniversary of The Legal Project! We know this will be a year of great work, innovation and community collaboration.

If you would like more information about The Legal Project, call us at (518) 435-1770, or visit our website at www.legalproject.org. Engage with us on Facebook, Instagram, LinkedIn, Bluesky and YouTube.

We are grateful for your interest, and we look forward to celebrating 2025 with you. Thank you for your support.

Sincerely,
Monice Barbero

2024 COMMUNITY IMPACT

7,000+ people assisted

11 counties served in the greater Capital Region

In 2024 we helped...

563 survivors of domestic violence obtain orders of protection, divorce and custody.

145 people facing foreclosure with foreclosure prevention services.

710 potential new Americans in need of services.

11 areas we helped clients in:

Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault, Stalking, Crime Victims, Human Trafficking, Foreclosure, Immigration, Bankruptcy & Credit, Elder Law, Veterans and Wills Project

5 Legal advice & information clinics offered:

Legal Clinics Program, Legally Speaking Workshops, Uncontested Divorce Clinics, Small Business Legal Network, Veterans Legal Clinics

32 community awards and counting!

OUR PRACTICE AREAS

We provide no-cost legal services—from one-time advice to full representation—in the following areas:

Bankruptcy and Credit

Advice and representation for those struggling with financial problems/debt.

Crime

Advice and representation for victims of crime, including landlord/tenant, family court, victim compensation and more.

Domestic Violence

Advice and representation for survivors of domestic violence, including family court, divorces and safety plans.

Elder Law

Advice and assistance for income-eligible seniors 55 and over, individuals with disabilities or a terminal illness and the caregivers of these groups.

Estate Planning/Wills

Advice and assistance with end-of-life issues and documents, including the preparation of Wills, Powers of Attorneys, Living Wills, Healthcare Proxies and Guardianship.

Homeownership/Foreclosure/Eviction

Advice and representation for homeowners facing foreclosure or eviction.

Human Trafficking

Advice and representation for survivors of human trafficking.

New Americans

Advice, presentations and representation for those with legal status questions or concerns. Hablamos Español.

Small Business

Advice and educational programs for those interested in starting or expanding a small business.

Uncontested Divorce

Advice and assistance for low-income individuals representing themselves in a divorce matter, including the preparation and filing of necessary documents.

Veterans Law

Advice for veterans, active military personnel and their families. Representation for qualified individuals.

NO-COST LEGAL CONSULTATIONS

Legally Speaking Workshops

Custom-designed educational programs for community groups and organizations.

The Legal Clinic

Advice covering all the topics in our service areas and more.

Founded in 1995, The Legal Project serves the following counties: Albany, Columbia, Fulton, Greene, Montgomery, Rensselaer, Saratoga, Schenectady, Schoharie, Warren and Washington.

30 YEARS OF JUSTICE

The Legal Project is 30 years old!

For 30 years, we have supported the safety of the people and communities we serve in the Capital Region through legal advocacy and representation. Help us celebrate! Join us on October 18, 2025 for our 30th Anniversary Celebration Dinner to be held at the Crowne Plaza Albany Desmond Hotel as a guest or a sponsor. Visit our website at www.legalproject.org for more information. Follow us on Facebook, Instagram, LinkedIn, Bluesky and YouTube.



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