

# 2022 FACTS & STATS

Legal Aid Society of the Orange County Bar Association, Inc.

### **OUR MISSION**

To provide free, quality legal services for lowincome residents, children, the indigent, and disadvantaged groups with special legal needs in Orange County, Florida and neighboring counties.





### **AREAS OF LAW**

- Consumer Education
- Housing
- Family
- Juvenile
- Immigration
- Seal/Expunge Records
- Income Management
- Individual Rights
- Others, based on need (Veterans, Seniors)

### **OUR TEAM**

Our staff attorneys are currently appointed members or board chairs of several Florida Bar Committees.

Committees appointed include Legal Needs of Children, Domestic Violence, Education, Diversity & Inclusion, Military & Veterans Affairs.

Committees help improve statewide legal policy and practices by drafting legislation and raising awareness on specific issues, among other agencies.

## **ATTORNEYS**





### **PRO BONO STATS**

6,681

3,748

2,752

People applied for legal assistance

Cases were handled by close of the year

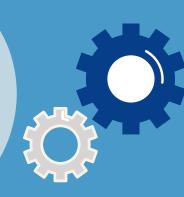
Attorneys assisted LAS through financial & volunteer support

Cases handled by volunteer attorneys

### PRO BONO PROJECTS

Pro bono efforts on specific needs in Orange County. Recurring projects include:

- Housing & Earned Income Tax Clinics
- Legal Outreach & Representation
- Veterans (VALOR)
- Homeless Advocacy
- HIV Special Will





2,157 Children represented in 2022

Children found permanent homes

311 **Volunteer Attorneys** 

> VACs in the year 2022

### **GUARDIAN AD LITEM**

- GALS are volunteers who advocate for economic, medical, educational, or mental health services.
- The Volunteer Advocates for Children (VAC) Program allows for non-legal volunteers to help GALs monitor vulnerable children's progress through the court system.

#### LAS Funding:

The Legal Aid Society of the Orange County Bar Association, Inc. is largely funded by the Orange County Government, grants, awards, its Annual Breakfast of Champions Fundraising Event, and contributions from Orange County Bar Association members who donate S350 in lieu of providing pro bono services.

