

# COMMUNITY HEALTH LAW PROJECT



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## ANNUAL REPORT

July 1, 2020 - June 30, 2021



## HIGHLIGHTS OF FORTY-FIVE YEARS OF SERVICE IN NEW JERSEY

- 1976** Community Health Law Project established by the New Jersey State Bar Association and designated by the New Jersey Supreme Court as a legal aid society
- 1978** Successful CHLP suit ensures that community residences for people with disabilities may operate in residential districts
- 1978** CHLP advocacy leads to amending the NJ Law Against Discrimination to apply to people with mental health disabilities
- 1985** Federal lawsuit in Mercer County opens federally subsidized housing to people with mental health disabilities
- 1988** Successful CHLP lawsuit prohibits state from terminating adult dependents with mental health disabilities from health insurance coverage under their parents' State Health Benefits Plan
- 1994** CHLP receives U.S. Housing and Urban Development grant for work in removing architectural barriers in public accommodations
- 1995** Favorable Appellate Division ruling on CHLP - initiated suit forces NJ casinos to implement affirmative action programs of employment for people with disabilities
- 1996** CHLP statewide survey shows that only 4% of residential multifamily units comply with state and federal architectural barrier laws
- 1996** CHLP federal court suit results in invalidation of NJ municipal zoning laws that exclude group homes for people with disabilities from residential neighborhoods
- 2002** CHLP class action results in agreement by developer to fund \$300,000 worth of accessibility renovations in 266 residential units
- 2004** Successful CHLP precedent – setting Appellate Division decision excluding SSI benefits from being used for child support obligations of parents with disabilities in *Burns v. Edwards*
- 2005** CHLP successfully advocated for eliminating state and county institutional and hospital liens, and limiting cost of care for patients of public psychiatric hospitals
- 2005** CHLP successfully advocated for statewide ADA standards and compulsory training of local welfare agencies to identify and accommodate the special needs of people with disabilities
- 2005** CHLP advocacy leads to NJ Fair Housing Act amendment requiring all new multifamily Mt. Laurel housing to be adaptable for use by people with physical disabilities
- 2008** NJ Superior Court judge orders \$1.5 million worth of retrofits to make condos accessible in *ADA v. Renaissance*
- 2009** CHLP successfully advocated for a law requiring public official and commercial data companies to remove lien records of former psychiatric patients from public view
- 2013** CHLP received grants from Robin Hood Foundation, Kessler Foundation, Hurricane Sandy NJ Relief Fund, and Sandy Legal Assistance Fund to assist victims of Hurricane Sandy
- 2014** CHLP settles 2007 federal court complaint against Port Authority of New York and New Jersey alleging that Jersey City PATH Station is inaccessible with the agreement to construct an elevator and lift to give access to the Grove Street Station
- 2016** CHLP expands services to clients living with HIV/AIDS to seven counties
- 2017** CHLP helped draft the language and advocate for the successful passage of a new law which provides “due process” rights to residents of free-standing Residential Healthcare Facilities prior to eviction
- 2018** CHLP launches Medical-Legal Partnership with addiction agency to provide legal services to those afflicted by the opioid crisis
- 2018** CHLP enters into a contract with the City of Elizabeth to assist residents in expunging their criminal records
- 2019** CHLP establishes Medical-Legal Partnerships with behavioral health providers in Monmouth and Essex Counties
- 2021** CHLP develops additional Medical-Legal Partnerships with healthcare providers
- 2021** CHLP expands its services to individuals who are deaf and hard of hearing

## **CHLP SAYS FAREWELL TO LONG TIME EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**



After 45 years, CHLP’s Harold Garwin Steps Down as President/Executive Director. Since 1977, Harold Garwin has been at the helm of the Community Health Law Project (CHLP) as the President/Executive Director and has worked tirelessly towards its success. Under his leadership and guidance, CHLP has grown from a start-up nonprofit with a staff of 4 run out of an East Orange basement office with paint cans for office furniture, into a well-respected statewide organization with 10 offices and over 60 attorneys, advocates and support staff serving more than 5,000 individuals per year. Through Harold’s efforts, CHLP has continued steering the state of New Jersey towards creating a more just society for residents living with disabilities, chronic health conditions, and the frail elderly. In addition to his work at CHLP, Harold has connected with and supported the community by serving on numerous boards, committees and councils and has been honored and recognized by various organizations throughout the state. Harold has been the “face” of the Community Health Law Project and an amazing example of an unsung hero who puts the needs of others before himself. *“Hal is not just our CEO but our heart, soul and a passionate advocate for our disabled community,”* states CHLP Board Vice-Chairperson, Ann Marie Burke. Luckily for CHLP, Harold is not completely leaving us. He will continue on as Associate Executive Director, working with our new President/Executive Director, Erika Kerber, Esq. Everyone at CHLP will be forever grateful for Harold’s perseverance, strength, and compassion.

## **CHLP NAMES NEW PRESIDENT/EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

Erika Kerber, Esq. has been named the Community Health Law Project’s new President/Executive Director. Erika began her CHLP tenure in 2004 at the Monmouth/Ocean office where she served as Managing Attorney. In 2016, she was named Director of Litigation and moved to CHLP’s administrative office in South Orange. As Director of Litigation, Erika was instrumental in bringing the medical-legal partnership model of legal services to CHLP and developed multiple partnerships with healthcare providers. In 2020, Erika took on the role of Associate Executive Director at the height of the pandemic where she, in coordination with then President/Executive Director Harold Garwin, led CHLP through a period like none other. She guided, and continues to guide, the organization with the same amount of support, diligence, and energy as in pre-pandemic years and has been influential in CHLP’s continued success despite challenging times. In addition to all she gives to CHLP, Erika sits on several boards and committees and works tirelessly to develop strong community relationships. *“Erika Kerber has been a champion litigator but also spearheaded medical-legal partnerships and obtained significant grants that benefit our clients. We look forward to her leadership,”* expressed CHLP Board Vice-Chairperson, Ann Marie Burke. Harold Garwin, Esq., who served as CHLP’s President/Executive Director for 45 years before passing the torch to Erika, and who now serves as Associate Executive Director, states: *“I have worked with Erika Kerber for close to 20 years, first as the Managing Attorney for our Monmouth/Ocean office and for the last several years as our Director of Litigation and our Associate Executive Director. Erika has, in these many important positions, proven herself as an excellent attorney, a fine leader, and dedicated to our clients, our organization, and our mission. I could not be more confident that she will continue the growth and success of CHLP for another 45 years.”*



## MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

It has been quite a year for all of us at CHLP as it has been for other provider agencies around the state. Our staff has been diligently working throughout the pandemic to meet the needs of our very vulnerable clients. At the start of the pandemic, we switched to a work from home model as most providers did. In July 2021, we returned to our offices on a hybrid schedule and then full time in October. However, due to the surge in COVID cases in January of this year, our staff had to temporarily pivot back to a hybrid schedule but we have now returned to our offices full time. Despite these challenges, our dedicated attorneys, advocates, and support staff have done a tremendous job navigating the legal landscape to protect our clients' rights and promote their independence - from ensuring they have sufficient income through public entitlements such as welfare and social security disability benefits, trying to protect them from eviction and ensuring that landlords are held accountable to provide safe living conditions, protecting clients from unscrupulous debt collectors, helping them with family issues such as domestic violence and child support, obtaining guardianships for individuals who are unable to handle their own affairs, ensuring that individuals have the health insurance coverage they need to obtain necessary treatment and support services, along with other matters that our staff handle every day.

In addition to providing direct client services through our usual referral system, we have continued to partner with health care providers through medical-legal partnerships. By working closely with clinicians, social workers, and other health care team members, we can address patients' legal issues proactively as opposed to reactively before they reach a crisis point. Medical-legal partnerships have been shown to greatly improve health outcomes for patients.

Lastly, I want to express my enormous respect and admiration for Harold Garwin, the founder and Executive Director of CHLP for the last 45 years. Harold began CHLP in 1976 on modest means and has grown the organization to become a premier legal services organization providing exceptional legal and advocacy services to all disability groups, those with chronic health conditions, and the frail elderly. This year, Harold has decided to step down as Executive Director and I am humbled to be filling his enormous shoes to continue his legacy and the mission of CHLP. Fortunately, Harold will continue as the organization's Associate Executive Director to help guide CHLP into the future.

Please stay safe and healthy.

With much gratitude,

ERIKA KERBER, ESQ.  
President/Executive Director



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DATE**

**09.15.22**

THIS YEAR'S ANN KLEIN EVENT WILL  
HONOR THE CAREER AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS  
OF COMMUNITY HEALTH LAW PROJECT'S  
RETIRING PRESIDENT/EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

*Harold B. Garwin, Esq.*

6PM | THE WILSHIRE  
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## THE YEAR IN REVIEW: JULY 2020 - JUNE 2021

### **CHLP Bloomfield Office:**

In 2021, we continued to represent clients at SSI/SSD hearings, all of which were conducted by administrative law judges through Microsoft Teams video-conferencing. There is a plan in 2022 to return to in person hearings. Clients without a computer or smart phone came to our office and used our “technology room” to attend their hearings. We also represented numerous clients in landlord/tenant and family court. The Superior Court of New Jersey conducts most of their hearings through Zoom video conferences. In September 2021 Christy Schnyer, Esq., joined our office as a staff attorney.

### **Examples of Successful Cases**

We represented a client who had been hospitalized. Upon his discharge from the hospital, he learned that his landlord locked him out. After unsuccessful negotiations with the landlord and the landlord’s attorney to allow the client back into his apartment, we filed a forcible entry and detainer action. A Superior Court judge in Passaic County conducted a trial on an emergency basis. The Judge decided that our client had indeed been illegally evicted and ordered the landlord to immediately make necessary repairs (the door was broken) and reinstate our client to his apartment. Our client was also awarded damages and attorney’s fees.

We represented a client who lives in a home co-owned with his cousin who lived out of state. Soon after the cousin died, the cousin’s husband filed a partition action to force a sale of the home. We filed an answer contesting the partition. The basis of the partition action was that our client was in arrears on property taxes and a tax sale certificate was issued. Even after the client paid off the tax sale certificate and all other tax arrears, the plaintiff refused to dismiss the suit and maintained that a partition was still necessary. After extensive litigation, the judge dismissed the partition action, and the client was able to remain in his home.

### **CHLP Collingswood Office:**

The Collingswood office has carried on running successfully during the pandemic. The staff has demonstrated flexibility and determination so that our vulnerable clients continue to receive quality legal services. We had several long-time senior staff retire this past year. We said goodbye to Brian Smith, Esq., Elizabeth McCoy, Herb Daley, Esq. and Roberta Luchansky, Esq. The Collingswood office also welcomed several new attorneys. We are happy to have Rosemary Eikamp, Esq., Thomas LaMaina Esq., and Hannah Lee, Esq., join us. The office is also excited to be participating in a Housing Justice Fellowship program with Rutgers Law School and welcome our Housing Justice Fellow, Samantha DiTroia.

### **Examples of Successful Cases**

We represented a client for Social Security who was previously homeless. We got her approved for SSI benefits and successfully got a \$14,000 overpayment waived. She is now working with a social service agency, has a housing voucher, and has her full SSI benefit.

We kept elderly clients from losing their homes to reverse mortgage foreclosures by obtaining at risk extensions with the aid of their medical providers, thereby preventing homelessness of the disabled elderly community over 80 years old. We also provided homeowner clients with assistance resources to delay foreclosure and to obtain alternate housing while advising of the protections afforded to them to modify their existing financial obligations.

### **CHLP Elizabeth Office:**

The Elizabeth Office started off 2021 working remotely due to the Covid-19 pandemic. Our office continued to reach out to local agencies to let them know we were open and assisting clients. We also gave numerous trainings to the local agencies in the areas of law that we provide services in. One of the main trainings we were able to provide was Tenant’s Rights during the Covid-19 pandemic, specifically in regard to the eviction moratorium that was in place throughout 2021. Even though activities were being conducted remotely, we were able to serve our clients and appear at hearings. Our office transitioned back to being in the office full time at the start of October 2021. Recently, the office was also happy to see CHLP attorney, Sean Benoit, promoted to Managing Attorney, while former Managing Attorney, Meena Song, was named CHLP’s new Director of Litigation.

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### **Examples of Successful Cases**

We assisted a family with a toddler who was in need of private duty nursing (PDN) hours at home after the managed care organization sent a termination letter. We were able to file a timely appeal to ensure continued benefits, and we filed a motion for summary decision which is still pending, but the PDN hours were kept in place throughout much of 2021 while litigation was pending. We were also successful in several other PDN cases in getting terminations and reductions reversed by filing an external appeal with an independent utilization review organization.

Through litigation, we obtained surplus funds in the amount of \$55,000.00 for a client whose home was foreclosed on and sold at a Sheriff's sale two years earlier. We also saved the homes of two clients from foreclosure by obtaining approval for an At-Risk Extension under a HUD program which kept their homes from being foreclosed on.

### **CHLP Neptune Office:**

2021 was an eventful year for the Neptune office. Formerly located in Eatontown, we relocated to Neptune in May 2021, within walking distance from Fulfill and the Social Security Administration. The new office is handicapped accessible, spacious and has allowed room for several new staff members. Sadly, we saw the departure of both of our advocates, Michelle Dostie and Laura Bagwell. Michelle has retired and Laura has moved on to other, exciting ventures after working at the Law Project for almost 20 years. 2021 has also seen the hiring of new staff, such as attorneys Joshua Forrest and Veena Vallyathan, who bring much enthusiasm to the office and our shared mission at CHLP. Additionally, long-time employee and Office Manager Bridget Hemenway transferred from the Elizabeth office to Neptune, and we are thrilled to have her. Among all these changes and the continued pandemic, we have remained committed to our clients.

### **Examples of Successful Cases**

We represented a client who is nonverbal and developmentally disabled and was denied a replacement wheelchair by her Medicaid CMO. The CMO previously approved the exact same wheelchair five years before, but when the client applied for an identical replacement wheelchair, the CMO denied multiple features all of which addressed specific aspects of her condition, and were vital to her independent functioning. Critically, this client experiences significant pain but is unable to independently shift her weight to alleviate it. The denied features allow her to shift her weight and alleviate pain independently. The client appealed the CMO denial decision, requesting a hearing before an Administrative Law Judge.

A virtual hearing was conducted by the Administrative Law Judge. Since the client is nonverbal and there was no actual court appearance, a video of the client using the various features of her wheelchair as narrated by her mother was presented to the court. The client's treating physician, (a specialist in the area of physical medicine and rehabilitation), two of the client's physical therapists, and her mother all testified extensively, creating a vivid portrayal of how these features alleviate the client's pain, and also allow her maximum independence despite the fact that she has almost no voluntary movement. For this client - a person with such extreme mobility limitations - her wheelchair is the equivalent of arms and legs and represents her ability to interact with the world.

The Administrative Law Judge who heard this case issued a decision finding that the MCO's denial of the new power wheelchair with requested features was improper, and that the client had demonstrated medical necessity for all of the disputed features. The Final Agency Decision from the Division of Medical Assistance and Health Services adopted the decision of the Administrative Law on the basis that the client had established medical necessity for the contested features.

The new wheelchair is on order and our client is happily awaiting its arrival.

### **CHLP Trenton Office:**

The Trenton office has been very involved with the resumption of landlord/tenant trials in Burlington and Mercer. The Trenton office is partnering with Central Jersey Legal Services and Homefront in DCA's pilot "Access to Counsel" program to provide Trenton residents with representation in eviction related matters. The Trenton office continues to represent clients in Social Security cases and complex home health care appeals.

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### **Examples of Successful Cases**

We represented a 50 year old woman who underwent two kidney transplants. She had applied for Social Security Disability benefits in 2008 alleging an onset date of disability in 2005. Her application was approved but in 2017 she received a Notice from Social Security alleging she was overpaid \$99,927.97 due to substantial gainful work activity and that Social Security planned to recoup the overpayment from her monthly benefits. We argued waiver was appropriate and appealed the overpayment. A hearing was held before an Administrative Law Judge in September, 2021. The Judge agreed with our argument and issued a fully favorable decision. The client's overpayment was waived and her benefits were not reduced.

We successfully appealed the termination of 24/7 private duty nursing care for a client who has quadriplegia and is ventilator-dependent. The client was able to remain in his own home and was not forced to move to a nursing home. In another home health care case, we successfully appealed the termination of 16 hours a day of private duty nursing for a client who has advanced ALS and is ventilator-dependent. This client was also able to avoid a nursing home placement due to CHLP representation.

While all eviction cases are important, those involving Section 8 benefits are especially critical. Trenton staff prevented the eviction of a Section 8 recipient who fell behind on his rent when his tenant share was incorrectly calculated. After substantial advocacy, we were able to prove DCA's calculations were incorrect, resulting in a retroactive reduction of his rent to zero.



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## **CHLP's PROGRAMS AND SERVICES**

The essential mission of the Community Health Law Project is to provide legal and advocacy services to New Jersey residents with disabilities. We serve consumers of mental health services, people with physical disabilities, chronic health illnesses, HIV/AIDS, developmental disabilities, and visual impairments. Our attorneys and advocates represent clients in matters involving Social Security benefits, welfare, food stamps, and other entitlements; housing habitability and landlord/tenant disputes; foreclosure defense; consumer protection and debt collection; child support and domestic violence; Medicaid, Medicare, and other health insurance issues; civil rights; and barrier-free accessibility. In FY2020 (July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020), CHLP represented 4,056 clients.

In addition to the examples of services described above, CHLP operates several unique programs:

**To Your Health** This program concentrates on important issues facing our clients who receive home health care services, including children. For example, we have assisted and represented clients who have had their home health care services denied, terminated or reduced by the health care insurance carrier.

**Student Internship Program** Since 1988, CHLP has been holding its annual Ann Klein Advocate Awards, the proceeds of which support its student internship program. Using these funds, as well as funding from Legal Services of New Jersey, CHLP has been able to hire several law students and graduate students every year. In so doing, CHLP helps to train and inspire the next generation of disability advocates and attorneys.

**Civil Rights and ADA Litigation** For many years CHLP has been a leading voice and advocate for clients in Fair Housing and Americans with Disabilities litigation. Staff continues to assist clients in asserting their rights and seeking accommodations.

**Trainings and Workshops** CHLP offers a wide range of workshops for consumers and professionals. With the support of the New Jersey State Bar Foundation, CHLP presents an annual Law & Disability Conference, free and open to the public, at the New Jersey Law Center in New Brunswick every spring. Subjects range from civil rights cases to health care issues to new laws affecting people in institutional settings. CHLP staff is always ready to speak on the entire range of legal topics that affect the organization's clients. The staff also offers interactive workshops on the civil rights of persons with disabilities and on health care issues.

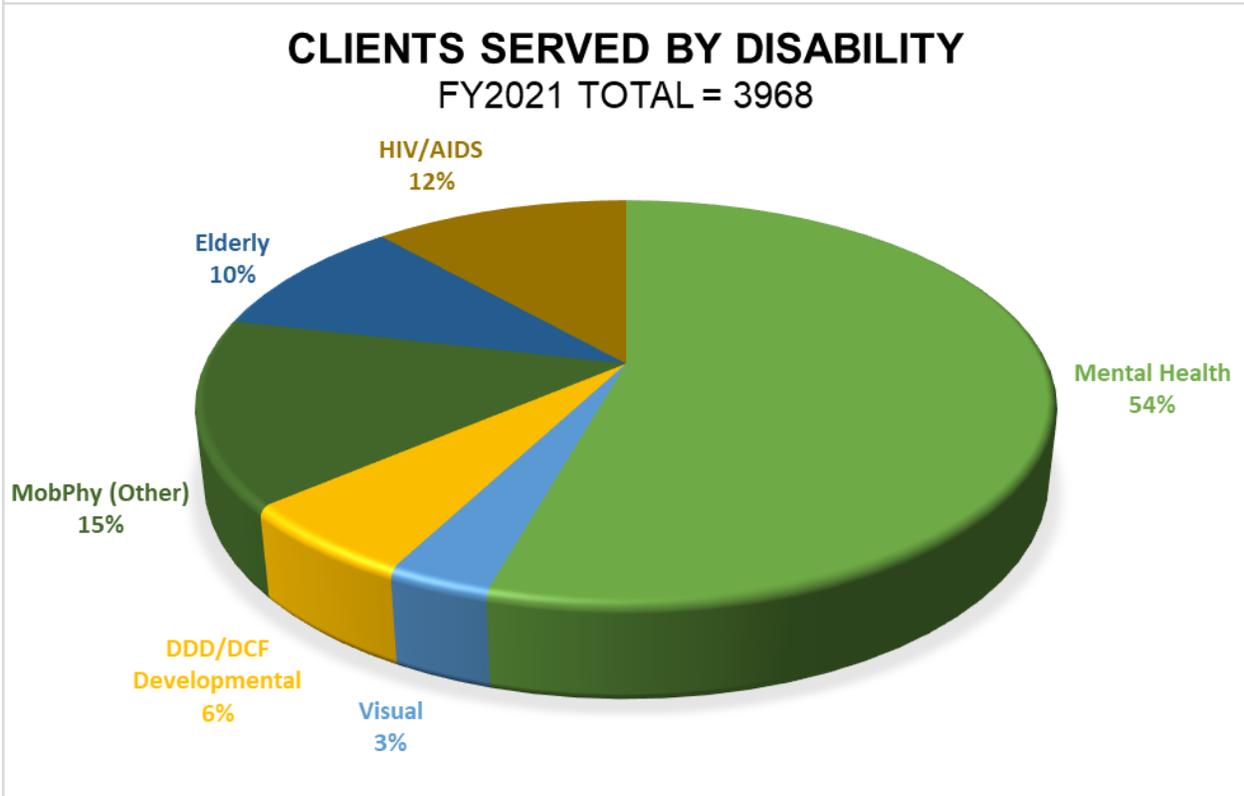
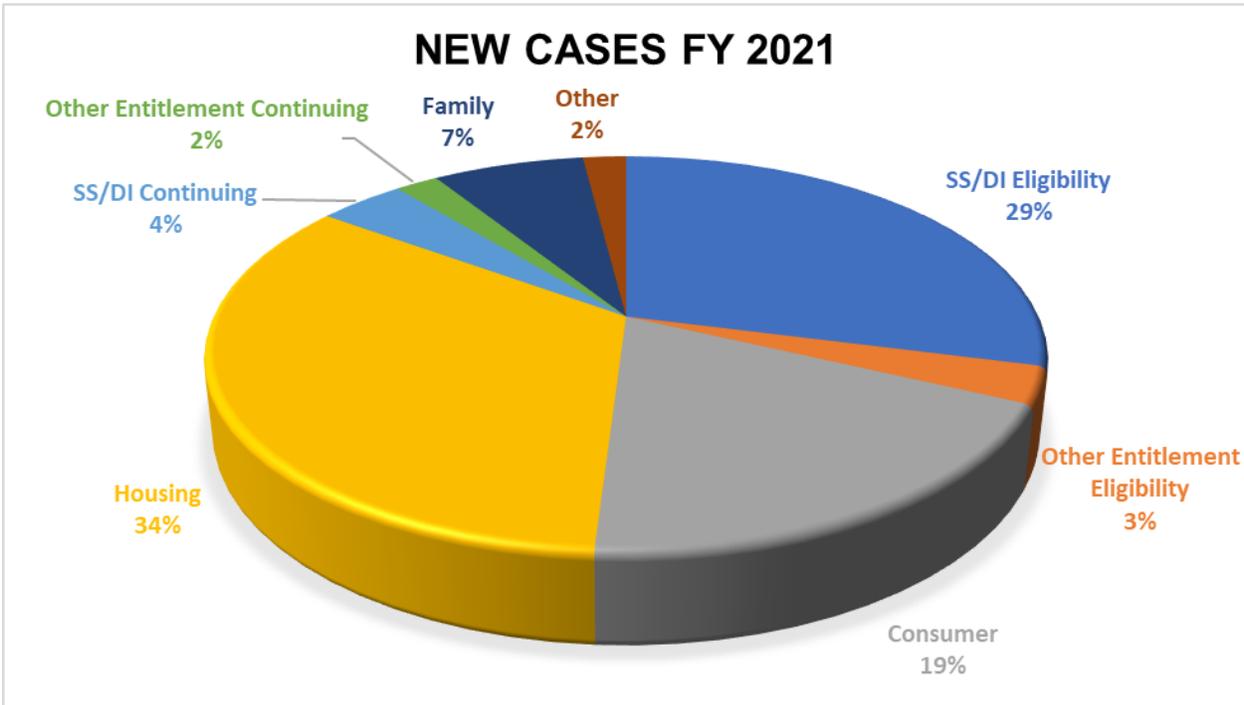
**Public Policy Advocacy** CHLP staff have continued to address system-wide issues that affect our clients in a number of ways. For example, CHLP participated in statewide coalitions such as the New Jersey Anti-Poverty Network and the Affordable Housing Network, various county professional advisory committees, and local mental health planning boards. We take active roles in the government affairs committees and activities of statewide organizations such as Disability Rights New Jersey, the Mental Health Association in New Jersey, The Arc of New Jersey, and New Jersey Association of Mental Health and Addiction Agencies. Our direct service staff attorneys and advocates participate on numerous local advisory boards and task forces around the state addressing issues such as homelessness, mental illness, developmental disabilities, Social Security, HIV/AIDS services, prisoner reentry and human services. An example of this effort is our South Jersey office attending monthly meetings with the public policy sub-committee of the Mental Health Association of Southwestern New Jersey's Board working on getting the Camden County Board of Social Services to be more responsive and sensitive to the needs of mental health consumers and improving access to their services; and providing training to boarding home/residential health care facility operators and residential services providers on Social Security issues.

**Fee-for-Service Program** CHLP has initiated a Fee-for-Service (FFS) representation program for individuals with disabilities whose income exceeds CHLP's income guidelines to obtain free legal representation or for those individuals with disabilities for whom CHLP has no funding to provide free legal representation. Under the FFS program, CHLP bills its legal services on a sliding scale, from \$125 to \$175 per hour, depending on the client's income. Legal services are provided in such areas as special education, social security, special needs trusts, health insurer's denial of coverage or services, guardianships, expungements, name changes, wills, living wills, powers of attorney, fair housing and ADA issues, and certain other civil law matters.

**Medical-Legal Partnerships** In the last few years, CHLP has embarked on a new innovative model of providing legal assistance through medical-legal partnerships to address the social determinants of health. In a medical-legal partnership, attorneys are embedded into a health care setting as part of the treatment team to provide holistic care to patients and improve health outcomes by addressing patients' life issues - such as housing preservation, entitlements, family issues, etc.- which, research shows, affect overall health outcomes significantly more than medical interventions. CHLP has developed medical-legal partnerships with behavioral health and addiction agencies and is in the process of launching medical-legal partnerships with other health care providers.

**NEW CASES & CLIENTS SERVED**

Each year CHLP attorneys and advocates help nearly 4,000 New Jersey residents with disabilities through legal representation and counseling. CHLP’s services are provided free of charge to residents of New Jersey on a full range of civil law matters, including Social Security Disability and Supplemental Security Income benefits, welfare, housing, family law, consumer matters, and architectural barriers. CHLP serves all disability groups in nearly all of New Jersey’s 21 counties. It receives funding from numerous state agencies, as well as from private sources. It has offices in South Orange, Bloomfield, Elizabeth, Trenton, Neptune and Collingswood, and satellite offices in Jersey City, Toms River, Mt. Holly, and Galloway.



**FUNDING SOURCES**

City of Newark, Department of  
Child and Family Well-Being

Division of Health Planning,  
Ryan White Program

Elizabeth Expungement

Hyde Watson

The IOLTA Fund of the Bar of  
New Jersey

Legal Services of New Jersey, Inc.

Mental Health Association in  
New Jersey

Monmouth County Mental  
Health Board

Ocean County Office of Senior Services

State of New Jersey:  
Department of Children and  
Families

Department of Health and  
Senior Services, Division of  
HIV, STD and TB Services

Department of Human  
Services, Commission for the  
Blind and Visually Impaired

Department of Human  
Services, Division of  
Developmental Disabilities

Department of Human  
Services, Division of Mental  
Health and Addiction  
Services

Union County Division on Aging

Marjorie Wyman Trust

United States Dept. of Justice-  
Office of Violence Against Women-  
Legal Assistance for Victims

Healthcare Foundation of NJ

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION**

	2020	June 30, 2019
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Cash	\$673,202	\$624,088
Cash Escrow	5,634	879
Investments	451,373	646,134
Grants and Contracts Receivable	558,523	559,163
Other Receivables	55,626	10,658
Prepaid Expenses & Other Current Assets	<u>28,436</u>	<u>19,742</u>
Total Current Assets	1,772,794	1,860,664
Property and Equipment	213,810	205,196
Security Deposits	<u>29,428</u>	<u>29,428</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$2,016,032</b>	<b>\$2,095,288</b>
<b>LIABILITIES &amp; NET ASSETS</b>		
Accounts Payable	\$ 48,697	\$ 89,078
Accrued Expenses	222,597	217,279
Client's Escrow Deposits	5,634	879
Deferred Rent	16,721	10,983
Due to Grantor	66,786	72,792
Current Portions of Lease Obligation	12,877	11,947
Long Term Portions of Lease Obligation	<u>30,139</u>	<u>43,016</u>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>\$403,451</b>	<b>\$445,974</b>
<b>Net Assets</b>		
Unrestricted Net Assets	\$975,738	\$1,010,982
Temporarily Restricted Assets	<u>636,843</u>	<u>638,332</u>
<b>TOTAL NET ASSETS</b>	<b>\$1,612,581</b>	<b>\$1,649,314</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; NET ASSETS</b>	<b>\$2,016,032</b>	<b>\$2,095,288</b>

**Income and Expenses**

*For the Year Ending June 30, 2020*

<b>INCOME</b>		
Grants & Contracts	\$5,977,256	\$5,771,692
Contributions	128,225	221,635
Attorney Fees	340,075	411,650
Fundraising	89,734	77,835
Interest & Other Income	<u>33,311</u>	<u>32,243</u>
	<b>\$6,568,601</b>	<b>\$6,515,055</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>		
Legal & Advocacy Services	\$5,728,804	\$5,413,694
Policy, Planning, Training, Administration & Fundraising	<u>876,530</u>	<u>904,978</u>
	<b>\$6,605,334</b>	<b>\$6,318,672</b>

## ADVISORY BOARDS & TASK FORCES ON WHICH CHLP STAFF PARTICIPATE

Anti – Poverty Network	Monmouth County Mental Health Board Professional Advisory Committee
Atlantic County HIV Collaborative	Monmouth County Re-entry Task Force
Atlantic County Mental Health Board Professional Advisory Committee	Newark EMA Early Intervention & Retention Collaborative (EIRC)
Commissioner of Human Services Executive Advisory Committee	Newark EMA Health Services HIV Planning Council Comprehensive Planning Committee
Community Planning & Advocacy Council	New Jersey Association of Mental Health & Addiction Service Agencies
Department of Community Affairs Barrier-Free Subcode Committee	New Jersey Division of Developmental Disabilities: Dialogue with the Division
Disability Rights New Jersey, PAIMI Advisory Council	New Jersey Mental Health Coalition
Essex County Mental Health Board Professional Advisory Committee	New Jersey Partners: Aging, Mental Health and Substance Abuse, Inc.
Essex Vicinage Advisory Committee on Minority Concerns	New Jersey SHARES
HIV Partnership Collaboration Monmouth County	New Jersey Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster
Hudson County Food and Shelter Coalition	Ocean County Justice Involved Task Force
Hudson County Mental Health Board	Ocean County Homeless Prevention & Assistance Coalition (HPAC)
Hudson County Professional Advisory Committee	Ocean County Mental Health Board Professional Advisory Committee
Leadership New Jersey Board of Directors	Ocean County Professional Advisory Committee on Alcohol and Drug Abuse
Medical Assistance Advisory Council	Passaic Bergen HIV Health Services Planning Council
Mental Health Association in New Jersey Board of Trustees	Passaic County Mental Health Board Professional Advisory Committee
Mental Health Association in New Jersey Public Policy Committee	Rutgers Law Public Interest Alumni Fundraising Board
Mental Health Association in Passaic County	Senior Legislative Issues Coalition of Union County
Mental Health Association in Southwest New Jersey Board of Trustees	Seton Hall Law School Diversity Council
Mental Health Association in Southwest New Jersey Boarding Home & Public Policy Committee	Statewide Legal Disaster Team
Mental Health Association in Southwest New Jersey & Camden Mental Health Board Ad Hoc Committee	Statewide Recovery Partners
Mercer County HIV Collaborative	The Arc of New Jersey Government Affairs Committee
Mercer County Mental Health Board Professional Advisory Committee	Union County Department of Human Services Code Blue Committee
Mercer County Social Impact Group	Union County Foreclosure Task Force
Mercer County SSI SOAR Committee	Union County Human Services Advisory Council
Monday Morning Project	Union County Mental Health Board Professional Advisory Committee
Monmouth County Homeless System Collaborative (HSC)	
Monmouth County Division on Aging, Disabilities, & Veterans Services	



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