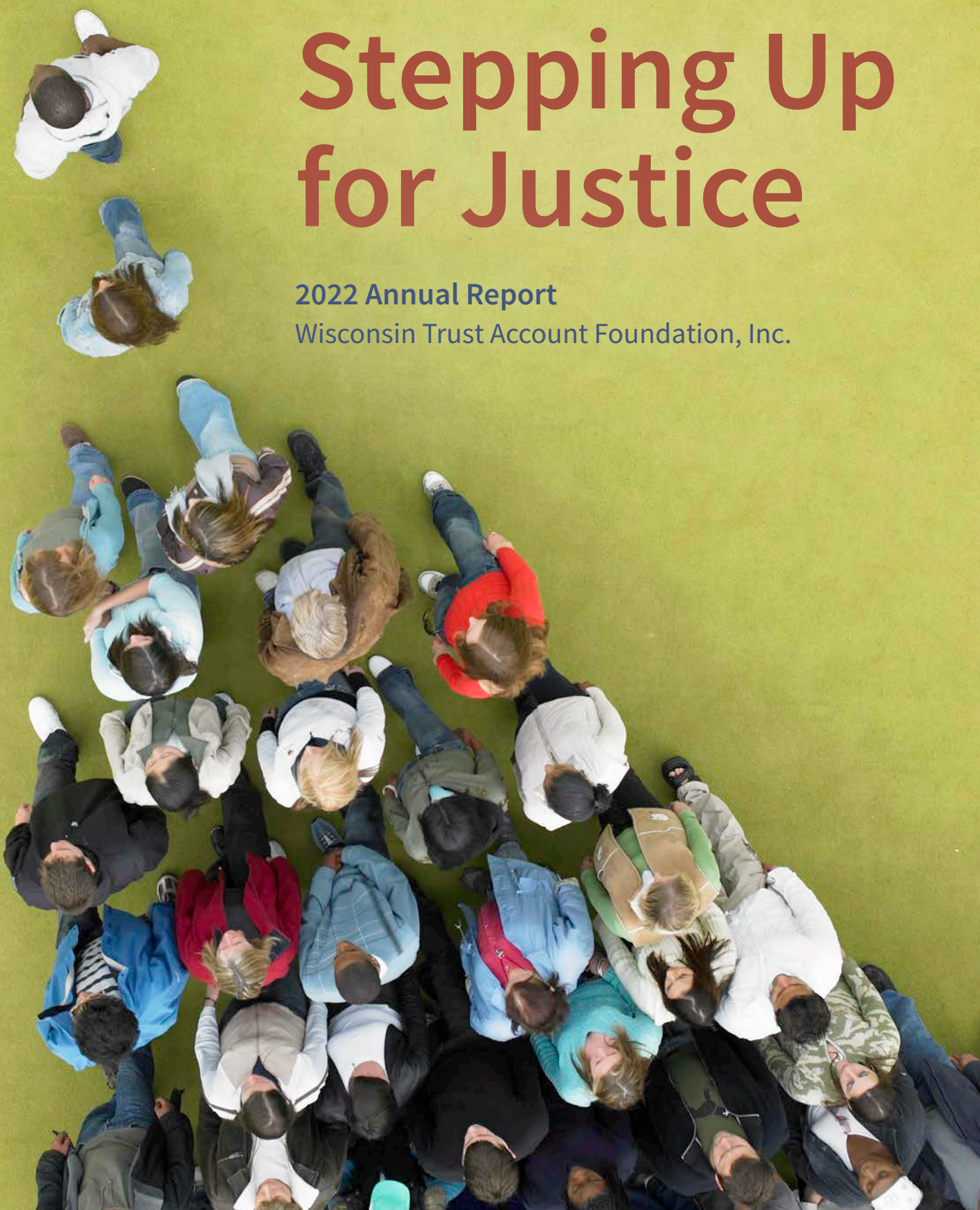




# Stepping Up for Justice

2022 Annual Report

Wisconsin Trust Account Foundation, Inc.



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## Chairperson's Message: Stepping Up and Stepping Out

2022 has been an exciting and challenging year of stepping up and stepping out for all of us involved in the provision of civil legal assistance as the need increases and expands in terms of numbers and complexity, namely:

The individuals who seek out legal assistance to right legal wrongs and to protect their safety, their families, and their economic well-being in new and challenging circumstances;

The providers who develop innovative approaches to more effectively serve and empower their individual clients in their communities, and expand and refine their provision of legal services as needs and circumstances evolve;

The four committed and skilled WisTAF staff, who with the dynamic and forward-looking leadership of Executive Director Rebecca Murray have exerted superhuman effort as they have secured, allocated, disbursed, and monitored millions of dollars spread across three new (COVID-19 Civil Legal Services, Afghan Immigration-Related Civil Legal Assistance, and Wisconsin Help for Homeowners Legal Services) and three existing (Direct Legal Services, Domestic Violence and Sexual Abuse Civil Legal Services, and Foreclosure Prevention and Community Redevelopment Legal Assistance) grant programs, and taken leadership roles in and cultivated meaningful partnerships with existing and emerging statewide civil legal assistance coalitions and collaborators;

The dedicated and talented WisTAF Board members who have attended more committee meetings than ever and worked behind the scenes to upgrade WisTAF's policies and procedures to meet the increasing and more complex needs reflected in the Board's expanding grant program portfolio, to facilitate the administration of the new and existing grant programs, and to participate in a racial justice co-learning process to better inform the internal operation of the Board and its external relationships with providers, funders, and partners;

And the Governor, Legislature, Wisconsin Supreme Court, and lawyers across the State who have supported, directed resources to, and contributed to, the increasingly complex provision of civil legal assistance in Wisconsin.

Speaking personally, as an appellate judge I repeatedly see the difference that legal representation makes in the circuit and appellate courts. It is a privilege to work with the devoted, visionary, and exceedingly competent members of the WisTAF Board and staff to help make that representation a reality for more and more people every year. It makes a world of difference to the people served, and to their families and their (and our) communities, and is an integral component of the effort, in which so many have joined, to ensure justice for everyone in Wisconsin. We have not only stepped up and out in 2022, we have taken leaps toward achieving that goal.

Judge JoAnne Kloppenburg, *Chairperson*



## Executive Director’s Message: We Put the *Trust* in IOLTA

As we closed the door on 2022, we welcomed (and introduced) a new brand identity. The final design, thanks to Cricket Design Works, effectively conveys the complex and contrasting elements of who we are. On the one hand, WisTAF is known for being official, reliable, and responsible. In a word, *trustworthy*. Exactly what you’d expect from an organization originally created to manage Wisconsin’s Interest on Lawyers Trust Accounts (IOLTA) program.

But, we also take pride in being innovative, future-focused, and nimble. Attributes which proved indispensable as we solicited new sources of funding and doubled our grant programs last year. At the close of 2021, WisTAF administered three grant programs with allocations totaling \$3 million. In contrast, grant allocations reached nearly \$12 million across six different programs by the end of 2022. The rapid expansion primarily was due to one-time allocations of federal funds by the State of Wisconsin in response to unmet need exacerbated by the COVID-19 pandemic. It stretched our seams and challenged us to build on existing knowledge, tools, and processes. We are tremendously grateful to the state for placing its *trust* in WisTAF as an effective and efficient fund administrator.

Without doubt, WisTAF’s forward-thinking board of directors and accomplished staff are deserving of that *trust*. Dedicated, thoughtful, visionary. *Trust* me when I say, it’s a blessing to have the opportunity to serve and steward an amazing organization with an incredible mission.

Rebecca L. Murray, *Executive Director*

“Jada” was in a physically, emotionally, and financially abusive relationship with the father of her child, until he was arrested and she came to **Golden House** in Green Bay. Advocates helped her find local daycare so she could look for a job, while an attorney and other professionals helped her decide and pursue her course of action for the future. Jada found her freedom – through filing a restraining order, gaining custody of her child, and utilizing legal remedies to regain control of her finances, manage debt, and take her next steps. Today, Jada and her child live independently, in safety.



## 2022 Impact

People agree that justice should be for everyone, regardless of income — ideally, everyone in Wisconsin would have an equal chance to pursue fair resolutions in court and legal venues. But too often, people who can't afford an attorney are effectively shut out of our complicated civil legal system. The remedy is civil legal aid: professional legal assistance for people who can't afford attorneys. WisTAF-funded legal aid providers make that happen.

In 2022, the Wisconsin Trust Account Foundation (WisTAF) administered grants that allowed **more than 10,000 people**, spread across every county in Wisconsin, to access justice in matters of civil law. Total resources of **\$4,004,082** went toward assisting these clients as well as building capacity for the coming years. All over Wisconsin, people found the ability to secure their family's safety through restraining orders, avoid wrongfully losing their homes or jobs, protect their health or veterans' benefits, and address a myriad of other serious concerns.

What's more, WisTAF funds play a role beyond what the numbers suggest, because of flexibility that makes it easier for both WisTAF and our funded providers to direct resources where people need it most.

“Mary” was a victim of sex trafficking. This led to her being convicted of prostitution. For so long, whenever she applied for jobs, education, or volunteering, she would have to disclose this stigmatized crime, which was no fault of her own and brought up painful memories of being victimized. **LOTUS Legal Clinic** filed a petition to vacate the conviction in court, which was granted. Now Mary can live without stigma as an innocent person should.



# About Wisconsin Trust Account Foundation, Inc.

**What good are laws in protecting your rights and liberties if you can't afford a lawyer? There's no constitutional guarantee to an attorney in most civil cases — cases outside of criminal law.**

And yet, civil law addresses situations that stand in the way of achieving personal safety, security, and independence.

In a complex system like ours, without an attorney it's often hard to know when the law is on your side, let alone how to argue your case or follow procedures to ensure your protection. Too often, people with limited means are shut out of meaningful participation in Wisconsin's legal system.

The Wisconsin Trust Account Foundation, Inc. (WisTAF) exists to address this issue. A 501(c)(3) nonprofit corporation, we are proud to be the state's civil legal aid funding administrator, established by the Wisconsin Supreme Court.

Since our founding in 1986, we have awarded and overseen more than \$68 million in grants to organizations throughout the state. Our investment helps the most vulnerable residents in every Wisconsin county to access services that open the door to the justice system — including advice and representation from attorneys. With this access, clients can pursue the legal outcomes needed to realize stability, health, and self-sufficiency, in turn benefitting our state as a whole.

## Mission

**The Wisconsin Trust Account Foundation works with civil legal aid organizations in Wisconsin to increase access to justice. We oversee funds and invest in services and projects to help people resolve their legal problems.**

## Strategic Direction

WisTAF's 2019-2022 strategic plan reached its conclusion after providing crucial direction during several years of pandemic uncertainty. We achieved most goals for the time period, intentionally modifying others in response to our changing environment. In the plan now guiding our work for 2023-2025, we maintained our four priority areas:

- Engage in strategic grant making to fund unmet needs
- Diversify and expand funding sources
- Educate the public and key stakeholders about WisTAF mission and results
- Increase collaboration/coordination among providers and stakeholders in the civil justice system



# Measuring the Economic Impact of Civil Legal Aid

It's no surprise that when someone solves problems standing in the way of their self-sufficiency, the community around them benefits. Quantifying those benefits, to the extent possible, can help policymakers and others make decisions about how to invest in a better future. Research from other states has proven that civil legal aid providers not only advance fairness but also help taxpayers and the economy.

In 2022, WisTAF proudly commissioned the first Wisconsin-specific study of civil legal aid providers' economic impact. Our research partner, The Resource for Great Programs, has conducted similar studies in more than a dozen other states. The researchers gathered data from a wide swath of WisTAF's grant recipients, along with secondary data from private, government, and academic sources. They then applied research-based economic impact estimation models.

The results, finalized in 2023, show that **for every \$1 invested in these programs, the total economic impact was \$8.40**, comprised of:

- Rightful property secured for clients (child support, health or veterans benefits, etc.)
- Benefits to health care providers (Medicare and Medicaid reimbursements)
- Costs avoided (preventing need for emergency shelter, services for victims in danger, etc.)
- Broader economic benefits (multiplier effect for dollars entering Wisconsin communities)

## Partnerships

**Big goals aren't achieved in isolation. WisTAF is actively involved in educating people and organizations about why civil legal aid should be important to everyone.**



## Wisconsin Law Help Portal

In 2022, the State of Wisconsin's Department of Children and Families awarded \$124,000 to WisTAF to work in collaboration with the civil legal aid community on a centralized website where Wisconsin residents could get a better understanding of how to address their civil legal needs, including finding a provider if needed. WisTAF participated in a planning and capacity-building phase in 2022. Funding will support the development phase beginning in 2023.

## The Legal Community

Wisconsin's legal community has a long history demonstrating a strong sense of responsibility for access to justice — via contributions of both dollars and time. State Bar members contributed over \$900,000 to the Public Interest Legal Services Fund and donated thousands of hours of their time volunteering with WisTAF grantees and local free legal clinics around the state last year.

## State Government

Everyone in Wisconsin reaps a benefit when legal processes are effective and efficient. WisTAF is proud to work with multiple state agencies as part of programs (see pages 9, 12) that invest in civil legal aid to provide access to justice, save future public costs, and achieve other public sector goals.

## IOLTA Participating Financial Institutions

Banking institutions' commitment to the communities they serve is reflected in their participation in the Interest on Lawyers' Trust Accounts (IOLTA) program, which provides funding support for civil legal aid (see page 12). In all, 163 Wisconsin financial institutions maintained IOLTA accounts during 2022. Of these, 138 waive all fees on the accounts so that 100 percent of interest payments help people access justice. You can see the complete list at [wistaf.org](http://wistaf.org).

## Civil Legal Aid Alliance of Wisconsin

WisTAF is proud to serve in leadership roles in the Civil Legal Aid Alliance of Wisconsin, a collaborative project of more than twenty access-to-justice organizations including many WisTAF grantees, the Wisconsin Access to Justice Commission, and others. WisTAF and the other coalition member organizations work toward a shared vision of all people capably accessing justice and achieving fair legal outcomes.



## Prime Partner Program

Prime Partner financial institutions help make their communities stronger by choosing to pay interest rates in excess of those required for their IOLTA accounts.

Supporting the following Prime Partner financial institutions supports justice for all.

### Prime Partners (as of this publication)

Bank Five Nine	First Federal Bank of Wisconsin
Bank of Sun Prairie	Forte Bank
CIBC	IncredibleBank
Citizens Bank (Mukwonago)	Mound City Bank
Farmers & Merchants Bank (Berlin)	Peoples State Bank (Prairie du Chien)
Farmers State Bank (Hillsboro)	Pyramax Bank
First Business Bank	River Bank
	West Pointe Bank

## Philanthropy

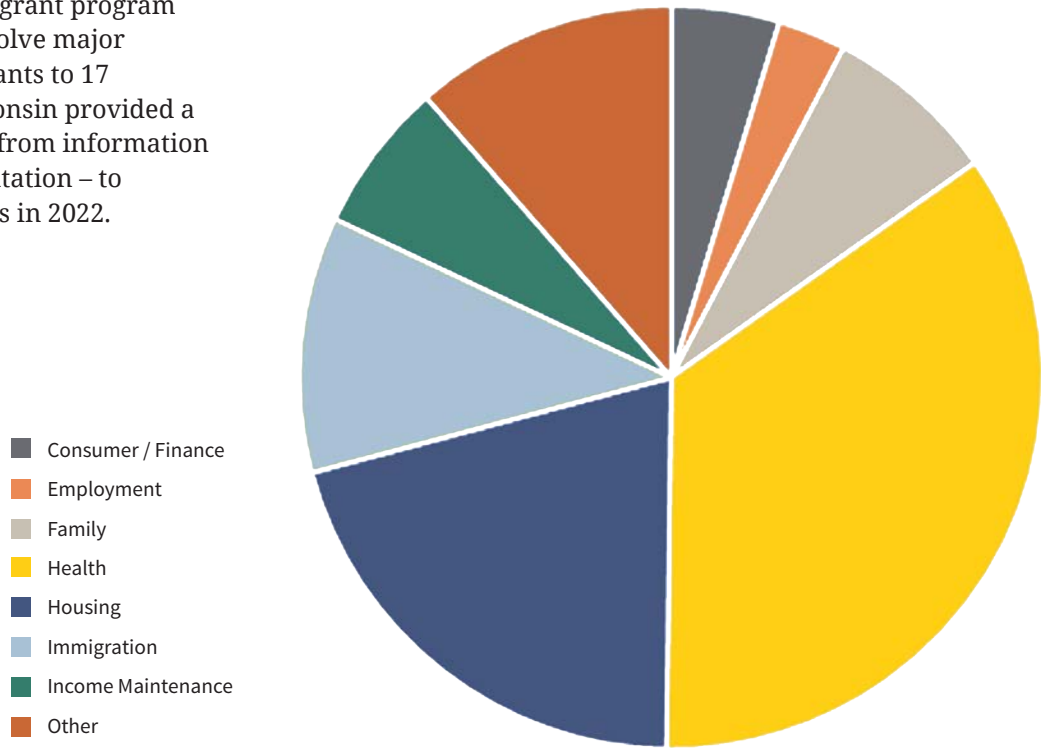
Philanthropic goals related to helping people escape economic disadvantage often benefit from a legal aid component. Attorneys can professionally problem-solve for their clients, a population sometimes unintentionally left behind by even the most laudable efforts. In as many networks and venues as possible, WisTAF shares this understanding, additionally offering insight into the field with interested partners.

# 2022 Grant Programs

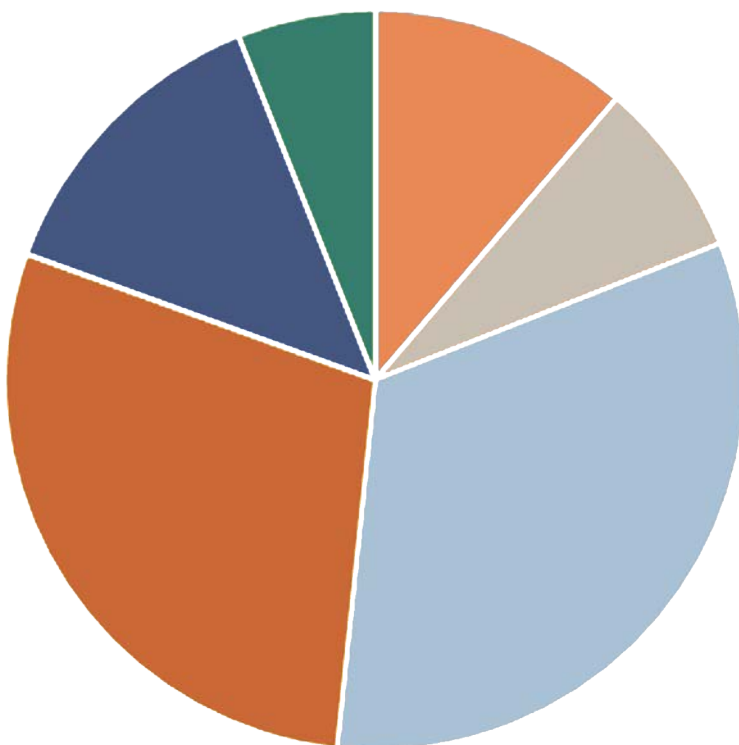
## Direct Legal Services

WisTAF's longest-standing grant program helps low-income people solve major problems in their lives. Grants to 17 organizations across Wisconsin provided a range of legal assistance – from information and advice to full representation – to approximately 7,000 clients in 2022.

Cases Closed by Area, Direct Legal Services 2022

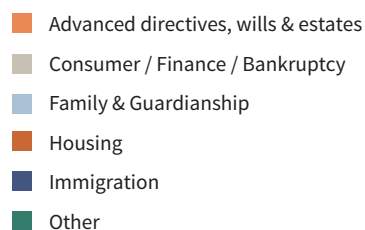


Service Areas - COVID-19 Legal Services 2022



## COVID-19 Legal Services

Like most crises, the COVID-19 pandemic hit vulnerable people the hardest, and also caused a spike in related legal needs. Drawing on federal COVID-19 relief funds, WisTAF made grant awards to 13 providers in 2022 for legal services related to the pandemic. Grant recipients built capacity during the program's first few months of existence, with some serving clients before the end of the year.





## Wisconsin Help for Homeowners Legal Services

WisTAF was tapped to manage the civil legal aid component of the Wisconsin Help for Homeowners program and moved quickly in early 2022 to connect eligible clients with services. Throughout the remainder of the year, hundreds of people received legal assistance that helped them to keep their homes.

## Afghan Immigration-Related Legal Assistance

People evacuating from crisis in another country must take certain steps to legally remain in the United States for any length of time. The complex and time-consuming processes are challenging for people without law degrees, especially if they speak a different first language. After WisTAF received a special allocation of one-time federal funds, four organizations and one widespread coalition quickly mobilized to put the resources to work helping clients navigate procedures and build a better life.

## Domestic Violence and Sexual Abuse Civil Legal Services

More than 800 clients addressed critical civil legal problems related to domestic violence and sexual abuse in this program funded by a \$500,000 annual State of Wisconsin allocation of federal Temporary Aid to Needy Families funds. WisTAF made disbursements to 13 legal aid groups and domestic violence shelters around the state during 2022.

## Foreclosure Prevention and Community Redevelopment Legal Assistance

This program aims to catalyze transformational change. Civil legal aid organizations employed innovative strategies while empowering more than 1,200 low-income individuals and families to stay in their homes and become economically self-sufficient. At the same time, providers worked at the community level to help groups facing disadvantage to stabilize and revitalize. FP/CRLA is funded via a one-time settlement between the U.S. Department of Justice and Bank of America related to claims of mortgage-related fraud leading up to the 2007-2008 financial crisis.

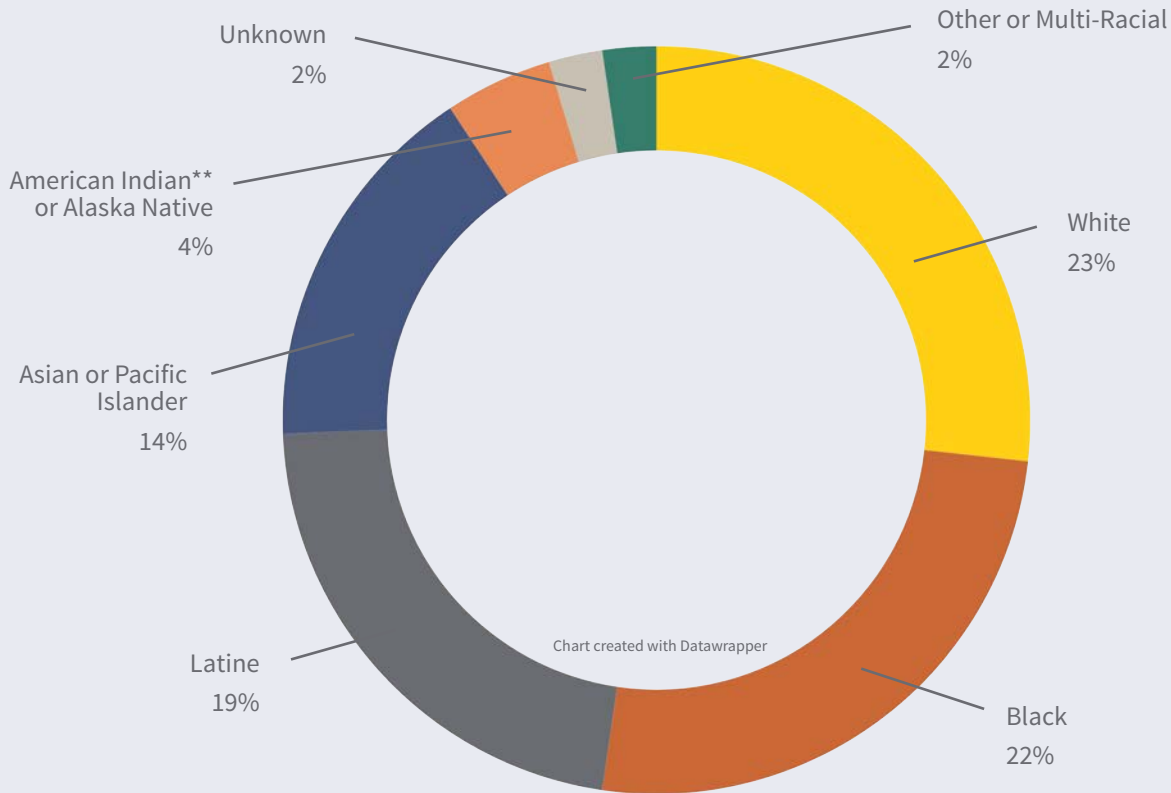
“Judy” never missed a day at her job – until COVID-19 started a domino effect. Her grandmother, who she relied on for childcare, had to quarantine. Without childcare, Judy couldn’t hold down her job. To make matters worse, her former employer was late updating documentation for her Section 8 housing benefits, so Judy’s portion of rent stayed higher than she could now afford. She got behind, and received an eviction notice. **Metro Milwaukee Mediation Services** helped Judy navigate processes to receive COVID-related rent assistance, update the Section 8 agreement, and get help with energy payments. With this expert assistance, the landlord received rent due, while Judy and her four children stayed in their home.



# Demographics

In 2022, WisTAF grants served people from every county in Wisconsin, representing a diversity of races and backgrounds.

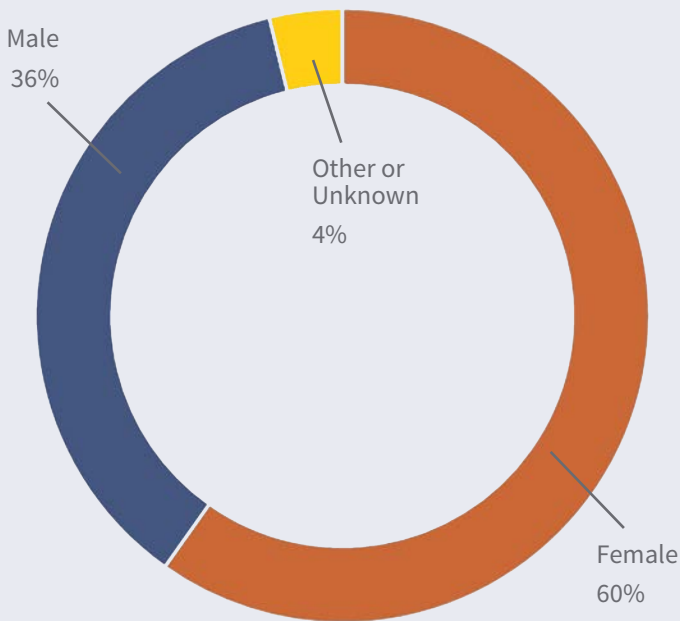
## Clients by Racial Identity (All Programs)



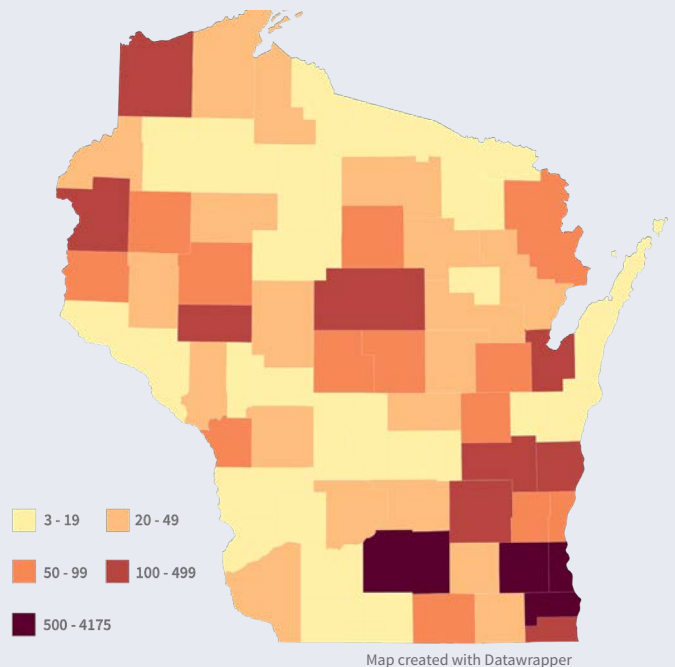
*\*Percentages are approximate because of differing definitions of racial identities.*

*\*\* Civil legal aid also receives public support through alternate avenues for members of Wisconsin Indian nations.*

## Clients by Gender Identity\* (All Programs)



## WisTAF-Funded Services by County (All Programs)



# Grantees

**WisTAF's 2022 grant recipients continue to use their considerable dedication, skill, and innovation to help and empower the most vulnerable members of our society.**

**ABC (Advocacy and Benefits Counseling) for Health, Inc.** is a nonprofit public interest law firm serving children, families, and other health care consumers throughout Wisconsin on legal issues related to health care access and financing.

**Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Milwaukee, Inc.** is a nonprofit charitable organization serving over 13,000 families annually in the areas of Adult, Family & Children, and Social Ministries.

**Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Green Bay** serves people of all faiths in 16 North-eastern Wisconsin counties and is a designated refugee resettlement agency.

**Catholic Charities of the Diocese of La Crosse, Inc.** provides programming in the areas of immigration services, emergency support services, adoption services, financial counseling, domestic abuse services, services for children with disabilities, and ministries including the HIV/AIDS Ministry Project.

**Catholic Multicultural Center** is a social service agency on Madison's South side, running the Immigration Legal Services Program to help low-income and no-income immigrants and refugees who are unable to afford the services of a private attorney.

**Center Against Sexual and Domestic Abuse (CASDA)**, based in Superior, provides supportive services to individuals hurt by domestic violence, sexual assault, or child abuse, while advocating for a community effort to end violence.

**Community Immigration Law Center**, partnering with **Centro Hispano**, provides legal representation and consultations in Madison and surrounding areas, as well as support and education regarding immigration issues for the community at large.

**Centro Legal** is a nonprofit legal services firm that helps individuals and families in the Milwaukee area to navigate the legal system in times of crisis. When it comes to civil legal work, Centro Legal specializes in family law.

**Community Justice, Inc.** is a nonprofit law firm working to close the justice gap in South Central Wisconsin, by offering affordable legal services from qualified and dedicated attorneys to people of modest means. WisTAF funding primarily went to family law work in 2021.

**Disability Rights Wisconsin** is a private, nonprofit organization advancing the dignity, equality, and self-determination of people with disabilities, and protecting their rights statewide.

**The Economic Justice Institute** is home to the University of Wisconsin Law School's six civil, anti-poverty clinical programs, providing knowledgeable assistance to people facing issues in a wide range of areas of law.

**End Domestic Abuse Wisconsin (RISE Law Center)** provides quality, affordable direct legal representation to low income survivors of Domestic Violence & Sexual Abuse, primarily immigrants and refugees with limited English proficiency, in an effort to prevent and eliminate violence in intimate partner relationships.

**Golden House** is a private, nonprofit agency that provides safety and support for victims of domestic abuse, while leading community efforts to end domestic violence in Brown County.

**HAVEN, Inc. (Household Abuse Victims Emergency Network, Inc.)** is a free community service providing a safe and confidential environment to empower all survivors of domestic violence and sexual assault through sheltering, advocacy, and education.

**Indianhead Community Action Agency** is a private, nonprofit agency that assists individuals in achieving self-sufficiency by providing the resources, education, and services necessary to develop healthy families, sustainable communities, and strong local businesses.

**Kids Matter Inc.** provides legal services and other advocacy for children in foster and kinship care in the greater Milwaukee area.

**Legal Action of Wisconsin, Inc.** serves low-income clients in the areas of family law and domestic violence, housing, public benefits, special education, and economic development.

**Legal Aid Society of Door County** is a volunteer organization that operates primarily as a screening and referral source to coordinate legal services through local pro bono attorneys.

**Legal Aid Society of Milwaukee** provides family law, public benefits, landlord-tenant, consumer, municipal ordinance defense, and civil rights law to low-income people in Milwaukee.

**LOTUS Legal Clinic, Inc.** serves victims of gender-based violence and human trafficking through trauma-informed legal advocacy, policy initiatives, education, and survivor empowerment.

**Metro Milwaukee Mediation Services, Inc. (DBA Mediate Wisconsin)** assists homeowners and their mortgage services in avoiding preventable foreclosures, and facilitates an informed and respectful transition in those instances where foreclosures are not avoidable.

**The Milwaukee Bar Association Foundation** leverages attorneys' knowledge and volunteer hours to address unmet legal needs of low-income, self-represented litigants in Milwaukee County.

**Portage County Legal Aid Society** is a volunteer attorney legal service that addresses the need for pro bono civil legal services for indigent persons in Portage County.

**Rainbow House Domestic Abuse Services** provides prevention, education, and information to communities, families, and schools with the goal of obtaining safety and empowerment for all victims of domestic abuse.

**The Women's Center** provides safety, shelter, and support to all affected by domestic violence, sexual assault, human trafficking, and child abuse in Waukesha County.

**Vivent Health (including former AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin)** is committed to being a respectful, caring partner serving everyone affected by HIV through comprehensive, integrated programs including legal services.

**Winnebago Conflict Resolution Center, Inc.** provides mediation services and training in mediation and conflict resolution statewide.

**Wisconsin Judicare, Inc. (DBA Judicare Legal Aid)** provides civil legal assistance, information, and education to low-income people, Native Americans, and others who might otherwise be denied access to justice.

**Women's and Children's Horizons** provides services to survivors of domestic abuse and sexual assault that enhances their safety, well-being, and self-sufficiency.

**World Relief Fox Valley** works with immigrants and refugees in the Fox Valley as a designated refugee resettlement agency that is part of World Relief, a decades-old, global, Christian humanitarian organization.

# Financials

WisTAF disbursed \$4,004,082 in 2022 that helped organizations serve more than 10,000 clients across Wisconsin during the year, as well as lay groundwork for services in the coming years. While significant, this funding falls far short of what would be needed to address civil legal needs of Wisconsin families of limited means.

## Fund Sources

WisTAF grant programs in 2022 drew on the following fund sources.

### Interest on Lawyers' Trust Accounts (IOLTA)

In the IOLTA program, attorneys and firms pool short-term or nominal deposits made on behalf of clients or third parties into one account. The interest generated by these accounts is remitted to WisTAF for use in grantmaking to support legal aid. Most participating financial institutions additionally waive fees or provide increased interest as a way to support their communities.

### Public Interest Legal Services Fund (PILSF)

In 2005, the Wisconsin Supreme Court established the Public Interest Legal Services Fund (PILSF), citing its necessity in maintaining “the integrity and efficiency of the judicial system within this state” and “the heightened obligations of lawyers, both to our justice system and to assist this Court with the effective administration of justice.” The Fund plays a critical role in supplementing erratic IOLTA funding with a more stable revenue source for civil legal services for low-income Wisconsinites. PILSF funds are directly attributable to the state’s attorneys and judges, and are distributed throughout Wisconsin’s judicial districts.

### State Appropriations of Federal Funds

#### Temporary Aid for Needy Families (TANF)

Wisconsin’s lawmakers and governor began investing a relatively modest annual amount in federal Temporary Aid for Needy Families (TANF) funding, starting in the 2015-2017 state budget. The support comes through the Wisconsin Department of Children and Families for a WisTAF-administered grant program that provides legal services for survivors of domestic violence and sexual abuse.

#### American Rescue Plan Act – State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (ARPA – SLFRF)

After advocacy from WisTAF and our civil legal aid partners, Gov. Tony Evers used this flexible COVID-19 relief funding to make a significant, one-time-only investment in civil legal aid for COVID-related issues, and a lesser allocation to support the development of the Wisconsin Law Help portal. WisTAF was chosen to administer both grants under the auspices of the Wisconsin Department of Children and Families.

#### American Rescue Plan Act – Homeowner Assistance Fund (ARPA – HAF)

This distinct COVID-19 relief fund allowed the State to create the limited-term Wisconsin Help for Homeowners program, within which WisTAF administers the Legal Services component. The Wisconsin Community Action Program Association manages the overall project under the auspices of the Wisconsin Department of Administration.

#### Afghanistan Supplemental Appropriations Act (ASA)

In 2022, the U.S. Congress provided a one-time allocation to help Afghan evacuees in Wisconsin secure their safety and stability by addressing related legal tangles. The Wisconsin Department of Children and Families tapped WisTAF to administer the program.

#### U.S. Dept. of Justice Settlement with Bank of America

A 2014 United States Department of Justice settlement with Bank of America provided IOLTA programs nationwide with one-time funds for foreclosure prevention and community redevelopment legal assistance.

### Pro Hac Vice

By order of the Wisconsin Supreme Court, a portion of the *pro hac vice* admission fees paid by nonresident lawyers to participate in a particular action in Wisconsin is allocated to WisTAF to help support civil legal services for low-income and indigent persons.

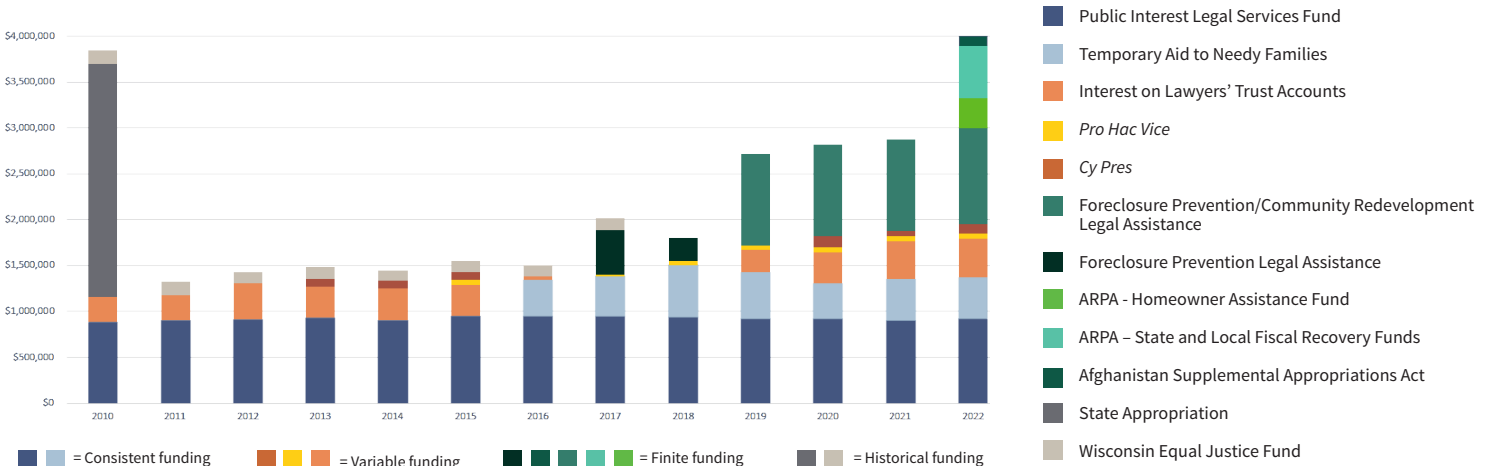
### Cy Pres

Wisconsin statutes require that WisTAF receive at least half of any residual funds left over from class action lawsuits filed in Wisconsin state court, in order to provide civil legal aid. Such residuals are referred to by the name of the applicable legal doctrine, *cy pres*. In addition, sometimes parties choose to name WisTAF as the recipient of other residuals, whether class actions, restitution, settlements, or penalties.

### Private Contributions

WisTAF is grateful to the individuals, foundations, and other entities that contribute to our work to provide access to justice in Wisconsin.

## Disbursements by Fund Source, 2010-2022



Portfolio of Grants Disbursed During 2022 <i>(Cash Basis)</i>		Direct Legal Services				Foreclosure Prevention / Community Redevelopment Legal Assistance	Domestic Violence and Sexual Abuse Civil Legal Services	Wisconsin Help for Homeowners Legal Services	Afghan Immigration Related Legal Assistance	COVID-19 Legal Services	TOTAL 2022	
		Grantee	Area Served	PILSF	<i>Pro Hac Vice</i>	IOLTA	<i>Cy Pres</i>	U.S. Dept. of Justice Settlement with Bank of America	TANF Reimbursements, paid 2022	ARPA Homeowners Assistance Fund		Afghan Supplemental Appropriations Act
ABC for Health	Statewide	\$63,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$63,000
Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Milwaukee	10 counties in southeastern Wisconsin	\$21,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$106,044	\$0	\$127,044
Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Green Bay	16 counties in northeastern Wisconsin	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,590	\$0	\$1,590
Catholic Charities of the Diocese of La Crosse	19 counties in western, southwestern, and central Wisconsin	\$15,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$15,000
Catholic Multicultural Center	11 counties in southcentral Wisconsin	\$10,500	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$18,770	\$29,270
Center Against Sexual & Domestic Abuse (CASDA)	Ashland, Bayfield, and Douglas counties	\$25,800	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$42,990	\$0	\$0	\$26,195	\$94,985
Centro Legal por Derechos Humanos, Inc.	Milwaukee and Waukesha counties	\$35,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$41,208	\$0	\$0	\$393	\$76,601
Community Justice, Inc.	14 counties in southern and southwestern Wisconsin	\$18,900	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$9,450	\$25,493	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$53,843
Disability Rights Wisconsin	Statewide	\$123,014	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$123,014
End Domestic Abuse Wisconsin	Statewide	\$15,750	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$17,161	\$0	\$349	\$0	\$0	\$33,260
Golden House, Inc.	Brown and Kewaunee counties	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$44,165	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$44,165
Household Abuse Victims Emergency Network (HAVEN, Inc.)	Lincoln County	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$20,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$20,000
Indianhead Community Action Agency	9 counties in northern, northwestern, and northcentral Wisconsin	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$73,238	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$73,238
Judicare Legal Aid	33 counties in northern Wisconsin and 11 federally recognized Native American tribes	\$75,384	\$11,272	\$83,955	\$21,598	\$262,500	\$52,875	\$66,576	\$0	\$381,692	\$0	\$955,852
Kids Matter Inc.	Milwaukee and Waukesha counties, limited services statewide	\$44,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$48,053	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$92,053
Legal Action of Wisconsin, Inc.	39 counties in southern Wisconsin	\$274,323	\$45,428	\$338,352	\$87,045	\$525,000	\$39,004	\$258,569	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,567,720
Legal Aid Society of Door County	Door County	\$11,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$11,000
Legal Aid Society of Milwaukee, Inc.	Milwaukee County	\$111,896	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$186,900	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$141,293	\$0	\$440,089
LOTUS Legal Clinic, Inc.	Statewide	\$20,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$20,000
Metro Milwaukee Mediation Services, Inc.	Statewide	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$42,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$42,000
Portage County Legal Aid Society	Portage County	\$23,783	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$23,783
Rainbow House Domestic Abuse Services, Inc.	Marinette and Oconto counties	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$25,456	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$25,456
The Women's Center	Southeastern Wisconsin	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$10,465	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$10,465
Vivent Health	Statewide	\$25,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$25,000
Winnebago Conflict Resolution Center, Inc.	Winnebago County	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$21,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$21,000
Women and Children's Horizons	Kenosha County	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$14,653	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$14,653
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$913,350</b>	<b>\$56,700</b>	<b>\$422,307</b>	<b>\$108,643</b>	<b>\$1,046,850</b>	<b>\$454,761</b>	<b>\$325,144</b>	<b>\$107,984</b>	<b>\$568,343</b>		<b>\$4,004,082</b>



## Our Mission

The Wisconsin Trust Account Foundation works with civil legal aid organizations in Wisconsin to increase access to justice. We oversee funds and invest in services and projects to help people resolve legal problems.

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