

Domestic Violence Legal Wellness Program

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The Domestic Violence Legal Wellness Program

by

Community Legal Services of Prince George's County, Inc.

seeks to serve survivors of domestic violence in two ways:

- 1. Providing direct legal services by referral to a CLS attorney
- 2. Fostering working relationships between attorneys and survivors

Direct Legal Services

- Safety Planning
- Protective and Peace Orders
- Divorce and Custody
- Housing
- Guardianship
- Bankruptcy

Outreach and Training

- Technical Assistance
- Support from Domestic Violence Wellness Staff Attorney
- Trauma-informed training
- Best practices for effective representation of survivors

28% of families were homeless because of domestic violence in 2008.

National Coalition for the Homeless, "Domestic Violence and Homelessness." 2009

1 in 4 women and 1 in 7 men report having been victims of severe physical violence by an intimate partner.

CDC. "National Intimate Partner and Sexual Violence Survey." 2010

Community Legal Services of Prince George's County, Inc., is a non-profit organization established to provide quality <u>civil</u> legal services to low-income individual in Prince George's County.

