

HER  **JUSTICE**

Shift the power



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ANNUAL REPORT

About us

For over 23 years, Her Justice has ensured that low-income New York City women receive critical legal services to help them achieve safety, self-sufficiency and stability. What makes Her Justice unique is our 'pro bono first' model: by engaging the talent and resources of New York City's law firms and corporations, we connect committed lawyers with low-income women and their children, including those who have suffered domestic violence, and immigrants isolated by language and culture.

About Her Justice

Her Justice identifies women with cases that would result in serious injustice without legal help. Every day, our staff screens clients, offering thousands of callers the legal advice and information they need to proceed. In that way, Her Justice matches the best legal services to each client and brings the power of the private bar to some of the City's most vulnerable families, empowering low-income women and children to avoid homelessness and overcome poverty and abuse.

Her Justice specializes in connecting volunteer lawyers from New York City's premier firms with low-income women who desperately need a lawyer to represent them in court. All volunteer lawyers are assigned an experienced Her Justice staff attorney mentor who is available throughout the course of the representation to strategize, answer substantive and procedural questions, review documents before they are filed and provide referrals for social and

other services. Volunteers benefit from helping to protect and stabilize some of the City's most vulnerable women and children, while also developing important legal skills by appearing in court and single-handedly managing the relationship with their client and opposing counsel.

For low-income women, legal counsel can make the difference between long-term stability and extreme poverty, even homelessness. Last year, our clients with financial matters received on average a 75% increase in their income post-representation. These results would not be possible without a lawyer.

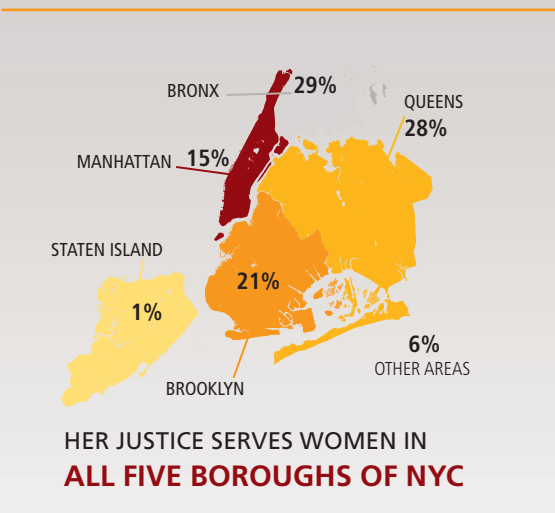
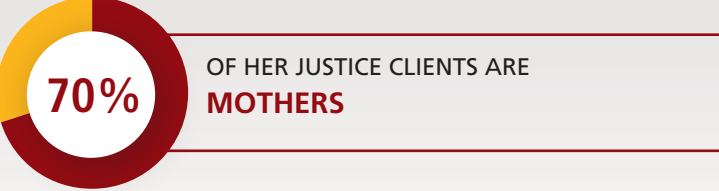
No other organization in the City connects as many volunteer attorneys with low-income clients as Her Justice. We harness the power of the private bar to serve those who need it most, giving women and children the tools they need to survive and thrive.

"Her Justice helped me understand and navigate the legal system. Without the legal assistance I received I would not have been able to achieve my great results."



Who we serve

IN FISCAL YEAR 2016:

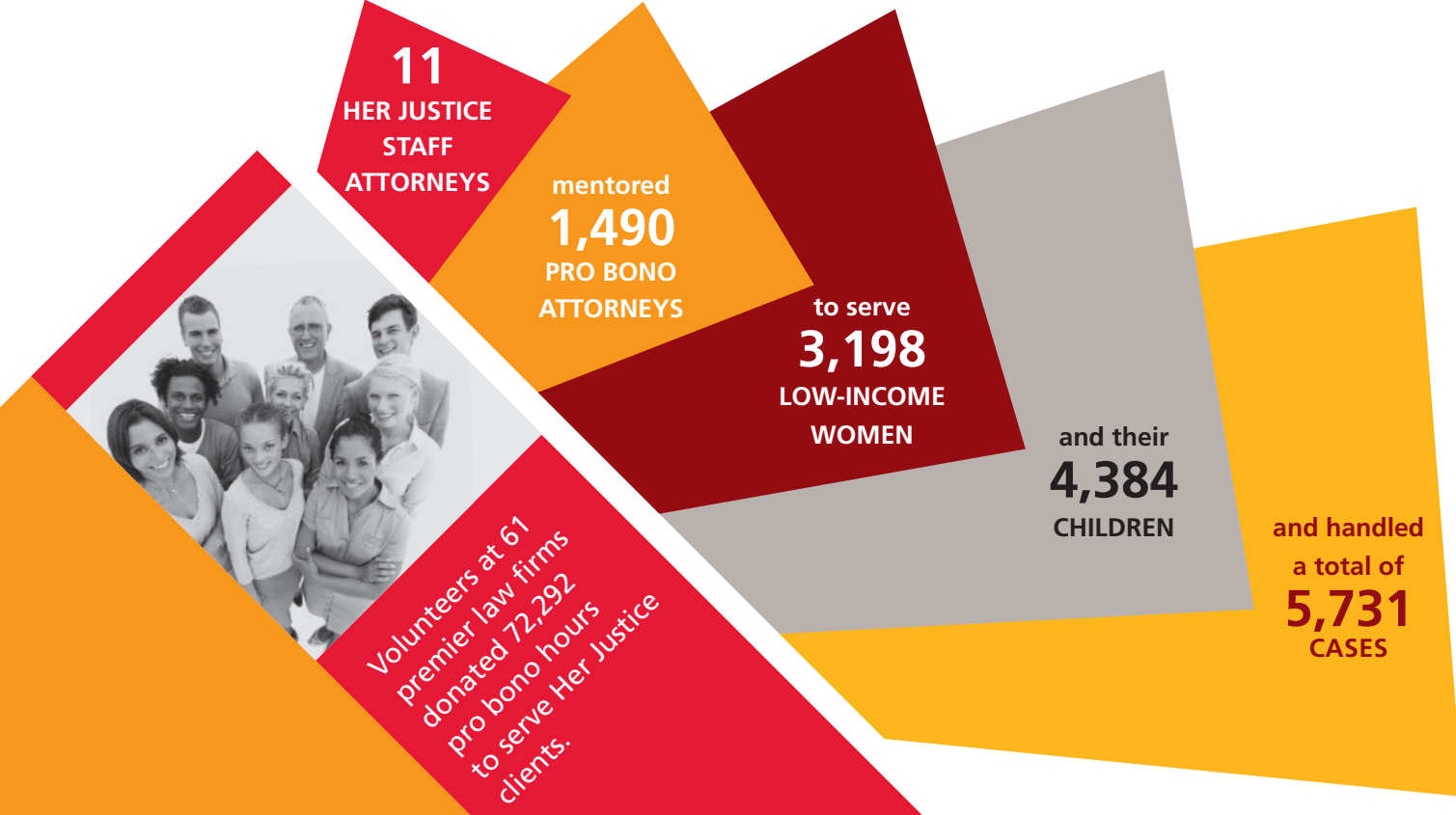


200+ WOMEN AND CHILDREN OBTAINED CITIZENSHIP, LEGAL STATUS, OR WORK AUTHORIZATION, AND **CAN LIVE SAFELY AND WORK LEGALLY** IN THE UNITED STATES

HER JUSTICE STAFF AND VOLUNTEER ATTORNEYS OBTAINED **\$418,038 IN LUMP SUM AWARDS** AND **\$1,038,780 IN MONTHLY AWARDS** FOR CLIENTS

The Her Justice multiplying effect

The unique Her Justice 'pro bono first' method of delivering legal services enables our small legal staff to leverage the power of the City's private bar to serve more clients. Unlike traditional legal services organizations that directly represent most of their clients, Her Justice staff attorneys primarily act as mentors to volunteer attorneys. Our staff's expertise reaches nearly 1,500 pro bono attorneys, who in turn represent thousands of clients—exponentially more than we could serve through direct representation alone.



Meeting critical needs

Low-income and abused women often don't fare well when they appear in court alone. Her Justice helps bridge the gap in civil legal services by mobilizing the City's private bar to ensure the most vulnerable New Yorkers have access to justice.

WOMEN BEAR THE BRUNT OF THE FINANCIAL BURDEN OF DIVORCE

27% of separated women live in poverty
nearly triple the rate for separated men

MOST POOR, SINGLE-PARENT FAMILIES ARE HEADED BY WOMEN

43% of single NYC mothers live in poverty
more than twice the City's overall rate

CRIMES AGAINST UNDOCUMENTED IMMIGRANTS OFTEN ARE UNREPORTED

535,000 undocumented immigrants live in New York City, and because of their status, crimes like domestic violence, sexual assault and human trafficking often go unreported

ABUSE CREATES ECONOMIC INSTABILITY

At least **30%** of families in NYC shelters are homeless due to domestic violence

80% of people in family court handle their cases **WITHOUT A LAWYER**

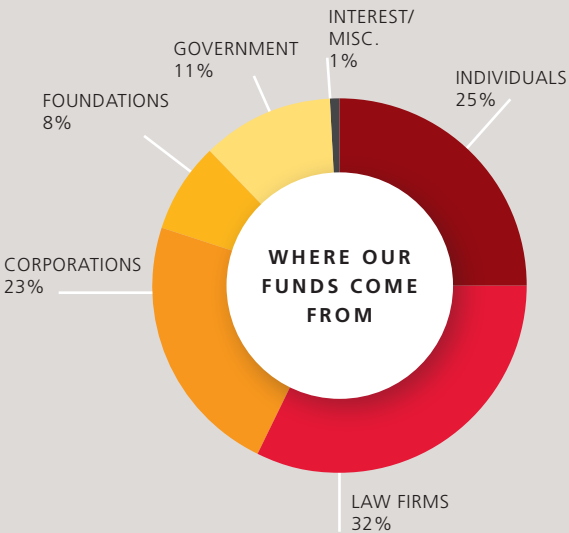
"Her Justice gave me my freedom back; they brought me back from a really dark place."

Financials

July 1, 2015–June 30, 2016

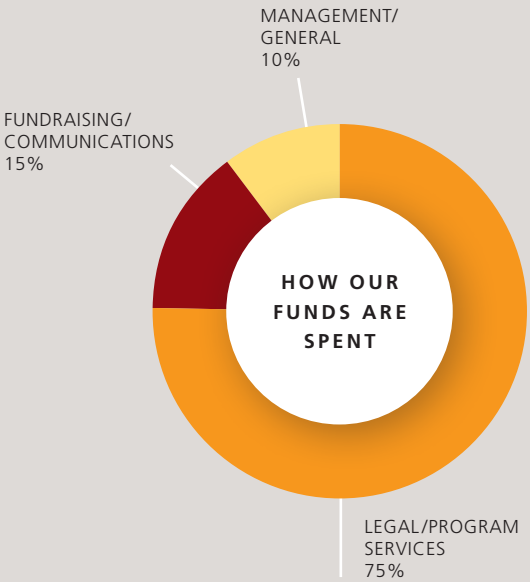
OPERATING REVENUES

Individuals	\$	1,226,959
Law Firms	\$	1,589,057
Corporations	\$	1,118,636
Foundations	\$	375,723
Government	\$	554,588
Interest/Miscellaneous	\$	40,302
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES	\$	4,905,264
Donated Legal Services	\$	34,438,537*
TOTAL REVENUE	\$	39,343,801



OPERATING EXPENSES

Legal/Program Services	\$	3,396,865
Fundraising/Communications	\$	660,370
Management/General	\$	452,553
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	\$	4,509,788
Donated Legal Services	\$	34,438,537*
Event Expenses	\$	561,591
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$	39,509,916
NET INCOME	\$	(166,115)
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	4,824,918
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$	650,268
TOTAL NET ASSETS	\$	4,174,650



* Unaudited estimate, as of November 2016

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