



Pursuing Justice. Restoring Hope. Improving Lives.

JUSTICE FOR ALL CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

Pursuing Justice

For our clients, justice is not just an abstract ideal.
It is food, shelter and protection.



Every day we receive dozens of phone calls from people who are:

- escaping domestic violence;
- denied access to health care;
- being evicted from their home;
- in need of food, utilities, subsistence income and other essentials.

They need an advocate to help solve their problems. **Pisgah Legal Services** is a **life-changing** resource for people in need.

*In 2008, PLS helped more than **9,200** people
to meet their most basic needs and improve their lives.*

Improving Lives

For more than thirty-one years, Pisgah Legal Services has provided free legal aid to people who are desperate to meet their basic needs. PLS helps low-income people through direct services and by collaborating to improve the systems that affect their lives.

For years, Sarah's* husband attacked her—kicking, punching and threatening to kill her in front of their daughter. Sarah finally escaped and PLS helped her end the violence for good. PLS helped Sarah secure full custody of her daughter, with only supervised visits for her drug-addicted husband. *Client's name changed.

“He had held me hostage for so long. I finally made up my mind to end the abuse and protect my daughter.”



Bursting at the Seams

PLS' office of 27 years
was bursting at the seams!



With 37 staff and 300 volunteer attorneys, our previous main office was desperately overcrowded.

- The kitchen, basement, attic, and even a closet were used as office space.
- PLS was forced to turn away volunteer attorneys and interns due to lack of space.
- PLS had to address overcrowding to ensure client safety, confidentiality and our overall effectiveness.
- Based on state standards, our staff of 37 should have a main office of 10,000 square feet instead of our previous 4,400 square feet.

Many more people in crisis need our help, but we had no room to grow to serve them.

A New Home for Justice!

After a two-year search of 50 potential sites, PLS has selected the most cost-effective option for its new office space. We purchased 62 Charlotte Street, which has the features we need for our programs:

- Located on the bus line for low-income clients
- Close proximity to the courthouse
- Parking and close access for volunteer attorneys
- 15,000 square feet in a two-story building
- Security features, a client waiting room and interview space
- Room for current operation and future expansion



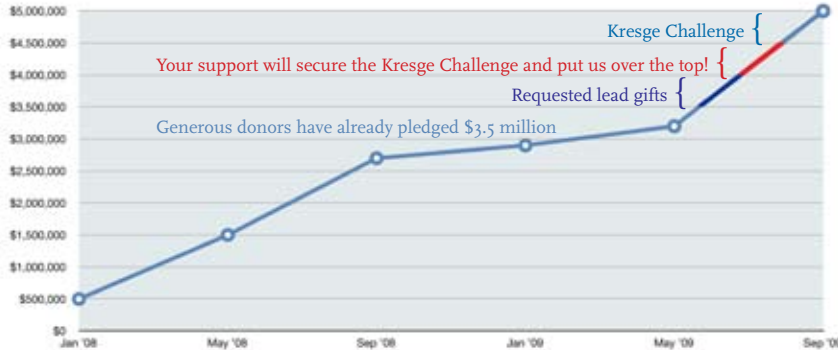
PLS does not want to turn people away. We moved into our new office space in March 2009. This space will allow us to help more people in need.

With our new space, we can double the number of people we serve.

It Takes A Community

Pisgah Legal Services has launched the **Justice For All Capital Campaign** to raise \$5 million. With your generosity and the support of the community, the results will be significant and lasting.

Justice For All Capital Campaign Progress



Through the Justice For All Campaign, PLS will:

- Double the number of low-income people we serve over the next ten to fifteen years.
- Secure adequate space for services, training and collaboration.
- Increase the use of volunteers, including pro bono attorneys.
- Ensure the safety of clients and staff.

“I’m very excited about being involved in the first-ever PLS capital campaign. The time is right; the need is dire.”

- Terry Van Duyn, PLS Board President

We Need Your Help!

**Please make a pledge TODAY and help us
secure a \$500,000 challenge grant
to serve more people.**

Pisgah Legal Services has been selected to receive a \$500,000 challenge grant from the national Kresge Foundation.

To secure this funding though we must complete our capital campaign by September 30, 2009.

Your pledge is an investment in a better future for disadvantaged children, victims of domestic violence, and people who are elderly, homeless and disabled.

**Together we can make a difference
for thousands of people with
nowhere else to turn.**



You can help ensure that people like Hope (left) get the legal aid they need. PLS prevented homelessness for Hope and her husband in the midst of her chemotherapy treatments. Her cancer is now in remission.

For more information or to arrange a tour, contact Tina Owen, 828-210-3430 or tina@pisgahlegal.org.
Visit our website at www.pisgahlegal.org.



“Pisgah Legal Services has been a godsend. Because of PLS’ help, Justin can go to the job he loves and keep on living at home.” – Loni, Justin’s mother

PLS helped Justin, who is severely disabled with cerebral palsy, restore supportive services so he can live and work as independently as possible.

HELPING FAMILIES WITH NOWHERE ELSE TO TURN.

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