

Generating \$27 Million for WNC

In 2008, Pisgah Legal Services secured **more than \$26.9 million in quantifiable benefits** to help low-income clients meet basic needs. PLS staff and volunteer attorneys closed 3,160 cases to improve the lives of **more than 9,200 WNC residents in 2008**.

Benefits to Clients	Estimated Value
<p>Disability Income Benefits Subsistence income benefits (Supplemental Security Income) for individuals with disabilities</p>	\$1,513,572
<p>Medicaid Benefits for Individuals with Disabilities Medicaid to access health care and prescription medications</p>	\$16,398,397
<p>Other Monetary Benefits for Clients Housing subsidies, compensation for tenants living in unsafe housing conditions, child support payments for victims of domestic violence, unemployment compensation and home equity preserved from foreclosure.</p>	\$5,020,711
<p>Helped Clients Free Up Funds for Essential Expenses Prioritizing payment of essential expenses and avoiding payment of illegal charges.</p>	\$2,709,794
<p>Pro-Bono Legal Services for Clients The Mountain Area Volunteer Lawyer Program's network of more than 280 volunteer attorneys provides pro bono services to PLS clients.</p>	\$474,450
<p>Federal Funds for Housing and Services for People Who Are Homeless</p>	\$878,592
<p>Total <u>Quantifiable</u> Benefits to Clients</p>	\$26,995,516
<p>PLS Annual Budget - 2008</p>	\$2,230,946