

Lawyers in Libraries - New Community Outreach Program

Last year, the Dauphin County Bar Association and our energetic emcee Tracey Lewis offered **The Riverside Chats**— a series of free programs featuring DCBA members to help educate the public about COVID-related legal issues. You can access program recordings at: <https://www.dcba-pa.org/community-programs/riverside-chat/>

As an outgrowth of that successful project, DCBA and MidPenn Legal Services launched **Lawyers in Libraries**— a monthly community outreach program. The **Dauphin County Library System** hosts the program on the last Thursday of each month.

Libraries provide a fundamental resource and trustworthy information hub to everyone in the community regardless of their ability to pay. Similarly, Bar Associations are a trustworthy referral source when looking for an attorney to hire. Finally, Legal Services provides access to justice to community members regardless of their ability to pay.

The free community programs feature Dauphin County Bar Association members and MidPenn Legal Services staff sharing basic legal information and addressing audience questions. We hope the series of live Zoom presentations and recordings for future reference can provide useful information to help people as they manage the maze of constantly changing COVID information.

We also encourage folks to reach out to assistance programs that might be available if they need more help. And finally, if needed, we hope eligible community members can turn to MidPenn Legal Services for free legal services or the Dauphin County Bar Association Lawyer Referral Service to hire a lawyer that they can trust.

This month's Lawyers in Libraries program is on **April 29 at 5:30 PM** featuring **MidPenn Legal Services Staff Attorneys Lyndsay Conforto and Pamela Fleck** who will speak on "**How to Handle Custody Conflicts.**" The program will be via Zoom and will include time for community questions.

People can register via the Library events calendar at www.dcls.org/events. If people need help registering, they can call 717-234-4961 and choose option 6. Or contact eventscoordinator@dcls.org.

You can access recordings of the following past Lawyers in Libraries programs at: <https://www.dcba-pa.org/community-programs/riverside-chat/>

- Jan 28 - "**Want to Avoid an Eviction? Try Free Mediation!**" with **MidPenn Legal Services Staff Attorney Matthew Rich and Jordan Cunningham of Cunningham, Chernicoff & Warshawsky, P.C.**
- Feb 25 - "**Are You Eligible for an Expungement?**" with **Kara P. Pike of Saul Ewing Arnstein & Lehr LLP and Sarah Hyser-Staub and David Freed of McNees Wallace & Nurick LLC**

- March 25 - **“How to Restore Your Driver’s License” with Edward F. Spreha, Jr. of Wagner & Spreha.**

Please help us encourage the community to register for these monthly programs by:

1. **Sharing this information** with family, friends and others who might be interested, and
2. Let Sandy know if you might be **interested in presenting.**

You can also share DCBA’s Social Media posts to help us advertise the program.