

Because legal care is part of whole patient care.

MISSION:

Cancer Legal Line provides free legal care to Minnesotans affected by cancer who otherwise have no access to an attorney's help for legal issues that directly impact their health and quality of life.



FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Thank you for your incredible support this year!

In 2016, Cancer Legal Line celebrated our 9th year of service to the Minnesota cancer community. During the year, our staff and volunteer attorneys provided critical legal care services to 432 Minnesotans with a combined total of 528 different legal issues. 2016 marks our biggest year of service to date and we are profoundly grateful to you, our donors, foundation partners, and community champions who make our work possible.

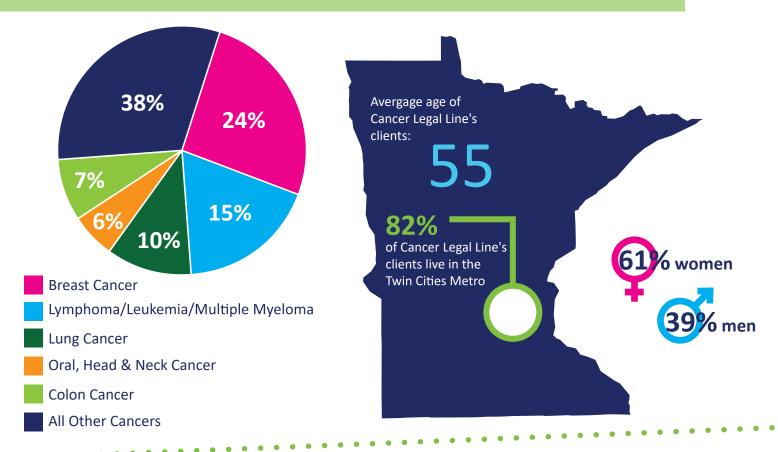
Because of you, we were able to increase our outreach, resulting in serving 17% more clients in 2016 than we did in 2015. This year, an incredible 41% of our clients are living with Stage IV cancer. This represents a 15% increase in Stage IV clients compared 2015. All of those who turn to us for legal care are not only dealing with the physical and emotional toll of cancer, but a host of related legal issues that threaten to detrail their financial security and family stability.

Our clients are profoundly grateful for the legal care we provide, and we, in turn, are grateful for your investment in our mission and outreach. Thank you for making legal care a reality in Minnesota.

> With warmest regards and gratitude, Lindy Yokanovich

WHO WE SERVE

In 2016, Cancer Legal Line provided free legal care to 432 Minnesota cancer patients, survivors & caregivers, who experienced a total of 528 different legal issues.



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In 2016, we helped
432 clients gain
peace of mind and
meet basic needs
through legal care in
the following areas:

14%	Insurance
16%	Housing & Financial
11%	Employment
27%	Legal Planning
21%	Public Benefits
11%	Other

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WHAT OUR CLIENTS SAY...

"I wish I had called you a long time ago." - Bev

"We are living in a sea of undone-ness. Your help has been a great relief." -Mike

"I believe that you saved my job. HR told me I would not be able to be out longer. I did exactly as you said. My employer reviewed my form and granted me additional leave under the ADA. Thank you so much." -Chris

"I no longer have energy for full-time work, but the bills haven't changed. Cancer Legal Line has been a lifeline for me." -Martha

"I had so many questions and no direction. You've given me something to grasp onto." -Joanne



2016 VOLUNTEER ATTORNEYS OF THE YEAR: Kate Mackinnon &

Sarah Demers

Katherine MacKinnon and Sarah Demers are the perfect embodiment of generosity of spirit and the heart combined with legal expertise. Cancer Legal Line was delighted to honor them as our 2016 Volunteer Attorneys of the Year.

Kate and Sarah practice together and are among the very few attorneys in the state helping people whose disability, pension, or life insurance benefits have been denied. It is this critical help they have provided to over a dozen Caner Legal Line clients over the last 4 years.

One such client "Sue" contacted us shortly after receiving some terrible news. Sue was told that her long term disability benefits provider was denying further monthly payments of the benefits she had been receiving for the last two years. Sue was living with Stage IV throat cancer, and was wholly unable to return to work. Just like that, her sole income of \$1959 was gone quite literally overnight. When she contacted us, Sue said she had been sick for three days from the stress of this news.

Kate and Sarah immediately offered to help, and even drove to Sue's home to help her as with only \$7 left to her name, she did not have enough money for gas to drive to their office. The dynamic duo was able to get the wrongful denial of benefits righted, and now Sue has income to pay her modest mortgage payment, her health insurance premiums, co-pays, medications, food and all the other expenses of life that don't stop.

The legal care Kate and Sarah provided prevented Sue from losing her townhome to foreclosure and becoming homeless, from losing her insurance and continuity of medical care, and helped to maintain her dignity in the face of all she has lost as a result of her cancer diagnosis.

OUR ATTORNEY VOLUNTEERS

A big part of the impact CALL has on the lives of our clients is due to the dedication and hard work of our ever-growing group of attorney volunteers. These wonderful attorneys give their time and expertise to our clients who need legal care in a wide range of areas from tax issues to employment issues, and most especially, estate planning. The expertise they provide allows CALL to maintain a small staff while having a tremendous capacity to meet the wide ranging needs of our clients.

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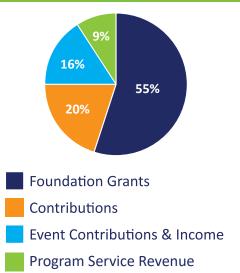
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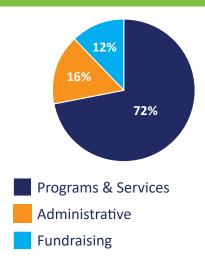
Income

\$62,842 \$53,296
\$1,650 \$283,036

Expenses

Programs & Services	\$221,384
Administrative	\$39,074
Fundraising	\$38,382
Total Expense	\$298,840
Net Income	(\$15,804)





Assets

Cash	\$114 , 341
Accounts Receiveable	\$6, 923
Prepaid Expenses	\$12,841

Total Assets	\$127, 105

Liabilities & Net Assets

Total Liabilities & Net Assets

Total Net Assets	\$124,73 0
Net Assets, Restricted	\$37,500
Net Assets, Unrestricted	\$87,230
Accounts Payable	\$9,375

\$134,105

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