Using the power of the law, New York Legal Assistance Group (NYLAG) fights for economic, racial, and social justice by advocating for people experiencing poverty or in crisis.

We center the voices of our clients to help them achieve justice, safety, and stability. Our services include comprehensive, free civil legal services, financial empowerment, impact litigation, policy advocacy, and community partnerships.

“I have a message for my NYLAG attorneys: You gave me hope when I didn’t have it. You gave me the opportunity to have a new life. Thank you.”

NYLAG CLIENT

113,000
ADULTS AND CHILDREN IMPACTED BY NYLAG’S SERVICES

$50m
SAVED FOR NYLAG CLIENTS

350
DEDICATED TEAM MEMBERS

All stats are for fiscal year 2022 (July 1, 2021-June 20, 2022)
STANDING UP FOR THE RIGHTS OF IMMIGRANTS
› 20,000 immigrants represented by NYLAG, including for asylum claims and deportation defense
› Dozens of cases handled for Afghan nationals, including those at risk of retaliation or persecution by the Taliban
› Over 700 clients in removal proceedings and appeals represented, including people in detention and post-removal orders
› 479 cases for Ukrainian nationals handled, including asylum claims, reunification with family impacted by the war, and more

SUPPORTING SURVIVORS OF VIOLENCE AND DISCRIMINATION
› 3,000 survivors of domestic violence supported by NYLAG through safety planning, orders of protection, divorce and custody cases, and more
› 900 workers defended in cases challenging discrimination and illegal retaliation, securing unemployment insurance benefits and wage claims, and more
› 790 LGBTQ+ clients served

PROTECTING ECONOMIC RIGHTS
› 1,600 consumers defended against predatory debt and lending through NYLAG’s advocacy, granting clients $30 million in relief
› Over $200,000 in savings secured for student loan borrowers
› $509,000 in life-changing benefits awarded to veterans of the U.S. armed forces through NYLAG’s advocacy

DEMANDING SAFE AND AFFORDABLE HOUSING
› 7,000 tenants and homeowners represented by NYLAG who were facing eviction, displacement, or homelessness

SECURING ACCESS TO HEALTH CARE AND ESSENTIAL BENEFITS
› 2,080 clients’ health and safety were improved by accessing health and nutrition benefits, including Medicaid, SNAP, and more
› Over 1,497 legal battles handled for older adults and people with disabilities to win the Medicaid and home care they needed
› 234 Holocaust survivors served, with compensation totaling $573,000

EXPANDING LEGAL ACCESS IN NYC COMMUNITIES
› 800 New Yorkers served directly in their communities through our mobile van and community outreach
› 7,884 clients served through the 34 hospitals and healthcare facilities in which NYLAG attorneys are embedded throughout New York City

FIGHTING FOR SYSTEMIC CHANGE
› 91,117 beneficiaries from NYLAG’s impact litigation cases and advocacy

YOUR SUPPORT HELPS TO ENSURE FAIR AND EQUAL ACCESS TO JUSTICE. THANK YOU.

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