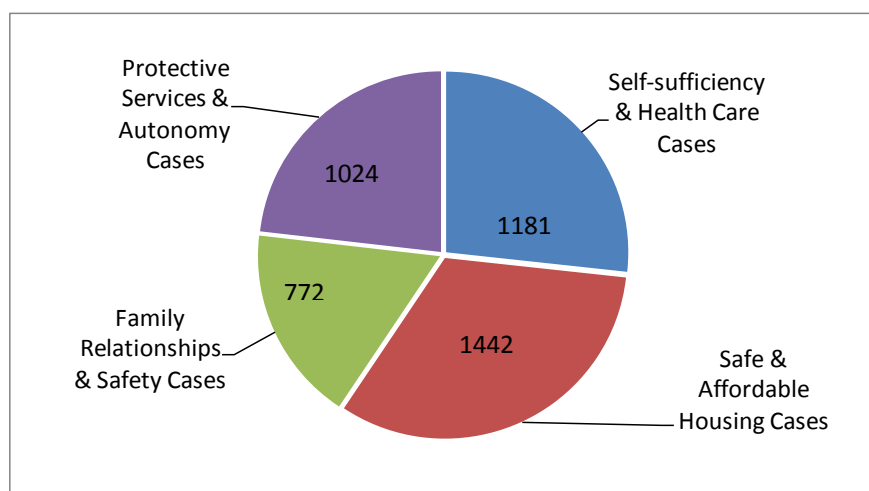


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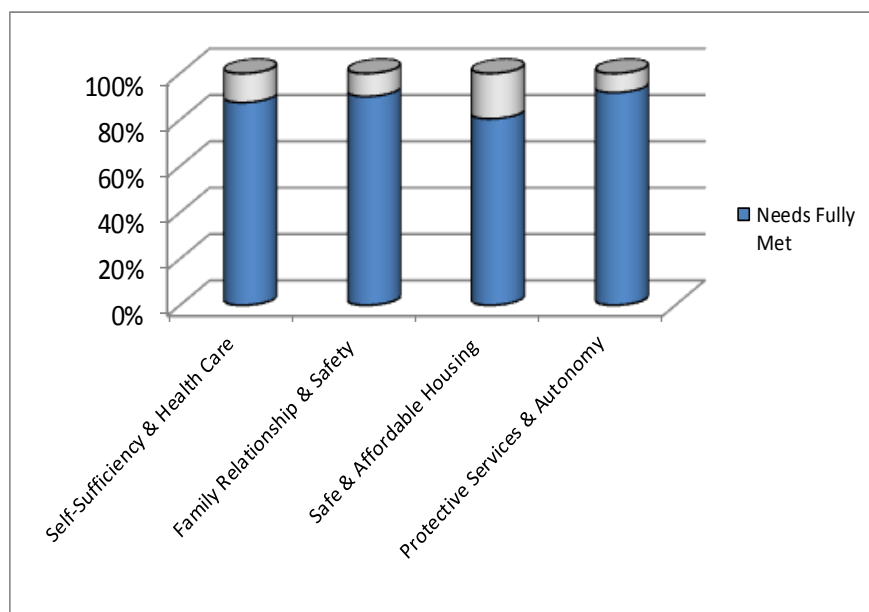
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In 2017, LSNWJ provided legal assistance in 4,419 cases affecting essential needs, including 774 cases opened in prior years for which work continued. LSNWJ's work in 2017 helped 8,662 low-income people, including 2,800 children.



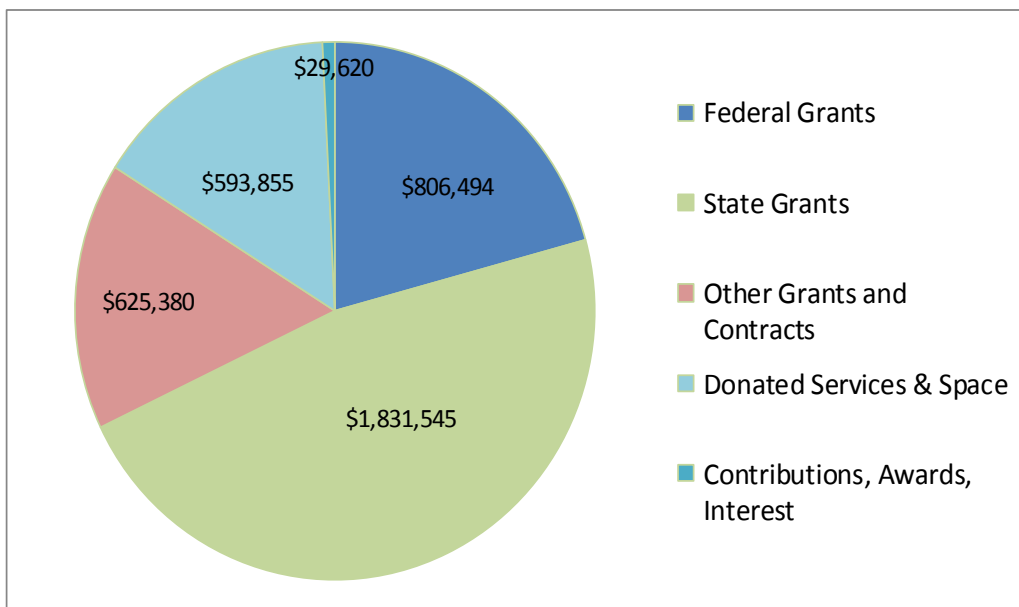
Legal Services of Northwest Jersey is a nonprofit law firm serving people living in poverty in Hunterdon, Morris, Somerset, Sussex and Warren counties. The work of LSNWJ is vital to the efforts of people living in poverty to maintain safe and affordable housing, gain sustainable income to escape the ravages of poverty, access quality health care, secure family stability and personal safety, and live with dignity in the community. In 2017, 99% of clients provided with full legal representation by LSNWJ pursued legal remedies and 89% were successful in meeting their essential needs.

## Essential Needs



## LSNWJ Revenue

\$3,886,894



LSNWJ is grateful to the foundations, organizations, and individuals who supported our work in 2017:

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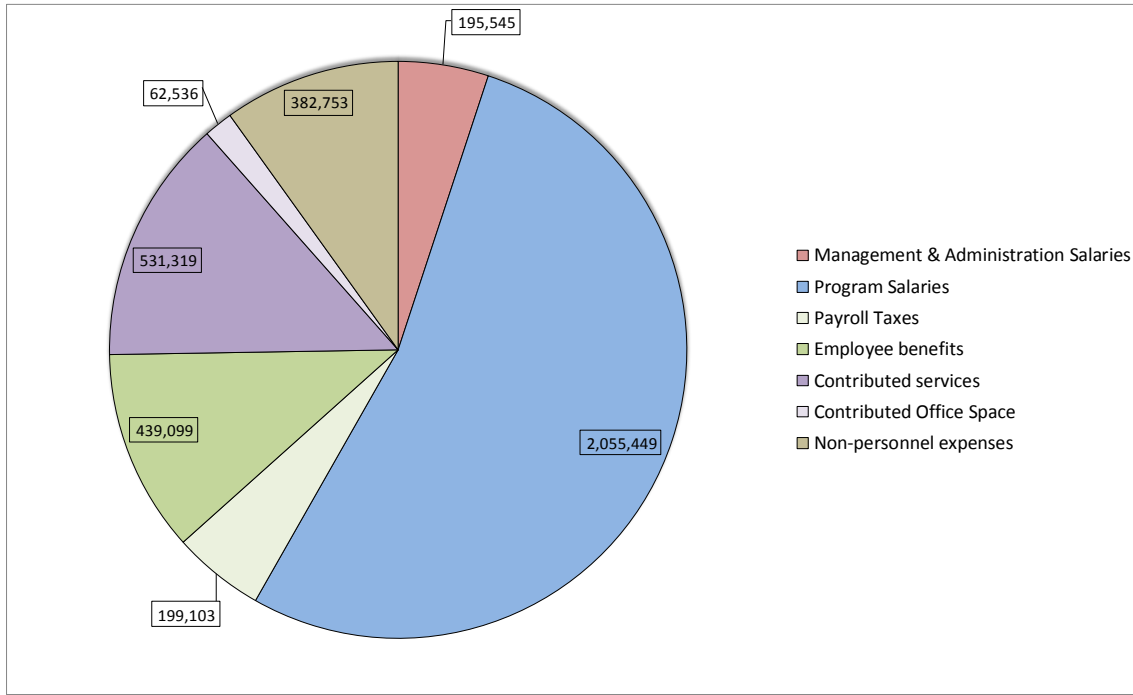
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## LSNWJ Expenses: 2017

\$3,865,804



In addition, LSNWJ invested \$14,587 in building improvements and equipment. More than 91% of LSNWJ resources are used to support program work. Management, administration, and fundraising, although a small portion of the overall budget, are critical to maintaining focus on mission, assuring quality, meeting grant requirements, and securing new funding.

Contributed services and office space expand our capacity to serve those in need. In 2017, volunteer attorneys provided free legal assistance in 294 cases, donating 3000 hours of their time to the cause of equal justice.

In-house volunteer attorneys, Robert McLellan and Shefali Saxena, provided more than 1,200 hours of volunteer service. The Partnership for Justice (Somerset Tenancy) volunteers from Merck, Reed Smith and Sanofi provided more than 400 hours of legal assistance to tenants facing loss of their homes. Volunteers with the Veterans Justice Initiative, a partnership of LSNWJ, Merck and Lowenstein Sandler, provided veterans with 300 hours of service. The law firm of DLA Piper provided more than 85 hours of legal assistance to veterans through the Volunteers for Veterans project. The balance of volunteer time was provided by individual private attorneys, many of whom are solo practitioners or in small law firms.

For more than 40 years, in addition to providing financial support, the County of Morris has provided free office space in county facilities.

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