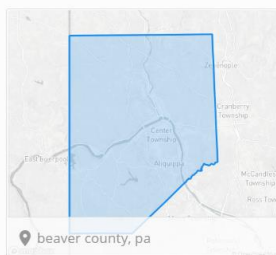


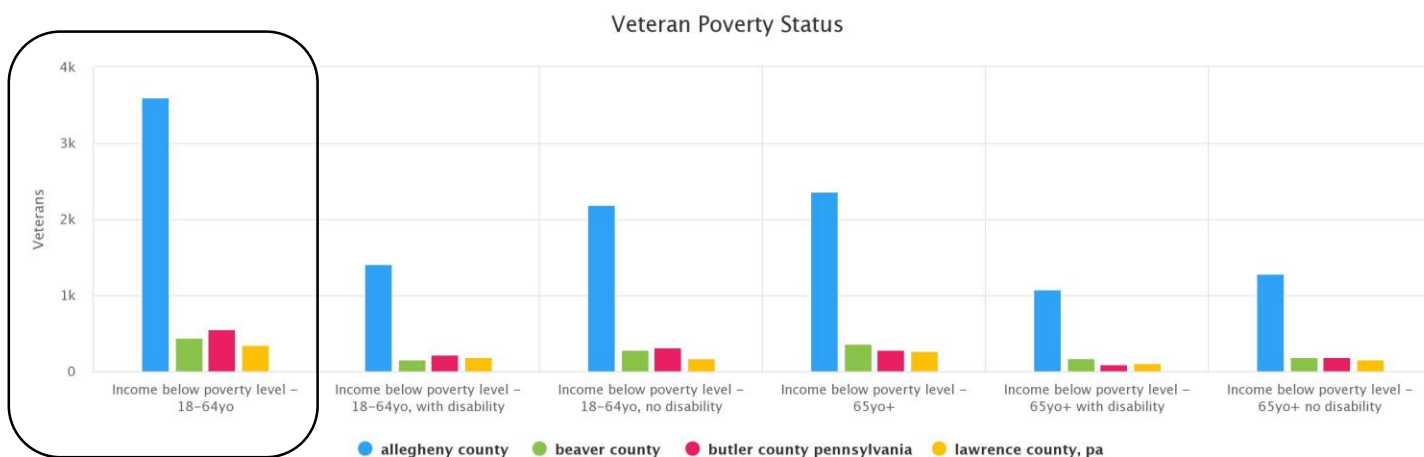


## NEIGHBORHOOD LEGAL SERVICES

*Because Justice is for All*



Our organization wanted to know the percentage of income eligible veterans living in our four county service area that we have been able to help with civil legal issues in the past two years in order to make the case for increased funding and capacity.



We have handled a total of 491 cases for veteran clients with civil legal issues since 2016. Looking at the chart above we were able to determine that there are a total of 4,965 veterans (age 18-64) living below the poverty level in Allegheny, Beaver, Butler and Lawrence Counties.

# 9.9%

Neighborhood Legal Services was able to help a little under 10% of income eligible veterans with civil legal issues in our four county service area.

- While this relatively low percentage is an improvement over previous years before funding was secured to hire a dedicated attorney to focus on working solely with veteran clients, there is still room for improvement.
- This data more than justifies the need for our veteran related services to expand and another full time attorney to be hired as about 90% percent of the available veteran client population is going underserved.
  - This can be used specifically to help secure funding to increase NLS' capacity to help veterans with civil legal aid issues.