



Legal Services Guide

City of West Hollywood

*For service providers
and residents*



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GENERAL INFORMATION

ATTORNEY REFERRALS

The Los Angeles County Bar Association Lawyer Referral and Information Service—which meets the standards of both the State Bar of California and the American Bar Association—has qualified, prescreened lawyers who can help you with your legal matter. Call (213) 243-1525 or go to www.smartlaw.org for more information.

COURT

There is no court in West Hollywood but for landlord/tenant issues contact Santa Monica Court and for other issues contact Beverly Hills Court.

BEVERLY HILLS COURT

9355 Burton Way
Beverly Hills, CA 90210
Civil - (310) 288-1309
Small Claims - (310) 288-1305

SANTA MONICA COURT

1725 Main St.
Santa Monica, CA 90401
(310) 260-3522

LAWHELPCALIFORNIA.ORG

LawHelpCalifornia.org is a website that provides low-income Californians with easy online access to basic legal resources and attorney information. They do not provide direct legal services.

LEGAL AID FOUNDATION OF LOS ANGELES

1-800-399-4529

www.lafla.org

The Legal Aid Foundation of Los Angeles (LAFLA) provides civil legal services to poor and low-income people in Los Angeles County. Their services include:

1. Self Help Legal Access Centers - (800) 399-4529

For individuals who are representing themselves, walk-in clinics offer legal information, assistance in preparing legal forms, guidance on a variety of civil matters, including evictions, divorces and paternity actions, and civil harassment.

2. Employment Law - (213) 640-3954

LAFLA's Employment Law attorneys promote the rights of working people to a safe, living-wage job free from discrimination and harassment, and assist low-wage workers with a range of work place issues including payment of wages, meal and rest break violations, access to unemployment benefits, and discrimination based on citizenship and immigration status.

3. Immigration Law

Provides U.S. citizens, permanent residents, refugees and asylum seekers with assistance in family re-unification matters, and helps battered women flee from domestic violence by establishing legal residency under the Violence Against Women Act. Also assists victims of human trafficking. Phone numbers are: Immigration Intake Line - (213) 640-3900, Citizenship Line - (213) 640-3918, Immigration/Domestic Violence - (213) 640-3913

4. Consumer Law - (323) 801-7989, ext. 5250

Consumer Law attorneys work on behalf of low-income homeowners who do not have the means to defend themselves against unscrupulous lending predators.

5. Government Benefits - (213) 640-3901

Helps low-income people who have trouble obtaining, or are denied, government benefits, including Cal Works, CAPI, Food Stamps/SNAP, Foster Care, Medi-Cal, Medicare and other healthcare programs, Social Security, SSI, IHSS and General Relief.

6. Asian & Pacific Islander (API) Services

Provides monolingual and limited-English Proficient API clients access to Legal Aid services through bilingual and bi-cultural staff, dedicated language lines, and regular legal clinics at community-based organizations.

Korean - (323) 801, 7987, Cantonese/Mandarin - (323) 801-7912, Japanese - (323) 801-7913, Cambodian (Khmer) - (213) 640-3887, Vietnamese/Tiếng Việt - (323) 801-7923

LEGAL GRIND®

Locations currently in Santa Monica & Inglewood

1-888-474-6352

www.legalgrind.com

Legal Grind® is a legal resource center within a cafe like atmosphere that combines a storefront lawyer referral service, document processing, self-help law books, and notary services with a coffee bar. Legal Grind® seeks to provide legal assistance to middle class people to obtain answers to questions without paying a large sum of money and to also find out where to go to resolve more complicated disputes.

LOS ANGELES COUNTY PUBLIC DEFENDER'S OFFICE

Beverly Hills Office

9355 Burton Way, Suite 404

Beverly Hills, CA 90210

(310) 550-2055

For other locations throughout LA County call (213) 974-2811 or visit the website

For deaf and hard of hearing - (800) 801-5551

www.pd.co.la.ca.us

The Public Defender is a law office established and funded by the County of Los Angeles. The attorneys and other staff employed by the office render legal services to individuals who are accused of public offenses, and who cannot afford to retain the services of a private attorney. They also represent any person under the age of 18 who is facing juvenile delinquency proceedings, or regarding whom the state has instituted wardship proceedings because of habitual truancy or incorrigibility. They represent individuals who are involuntarily detained in medical facilities in a variety of mental health proceedings because of purported mental disabilities, those as to whom conservatorship proceedings have been instituted because they are alleged to be gravely disabled, and patients whose competency to refuse medical treatment is challenged. Finally, they represent individuals who are subject to contempt proceedings for violation of court orders, such as child support and child visitation or custody orders.

LOS ANGELES COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT

Beverly Hills Courthouse

9355 Burton Way

Beverly Hills, CA 90210

Civil Cases - (310) 288-1308, Criminal Cases - (310) 288-1309, Small Claims - (310) 288-1305

For other locations throughout Los Angeles County visit the website.

www.lasuperiorcourt.org

The Los Angeles Superior Court is dedicated to resolving and recording legal matters in the areas of civil, criminal, family law, small claims, mental health, probate, and juvenile court.

SELF-HELP LEGAL ACCESS CENTER

www.consumer-affairs.co.la.ca.us/SHLAC/default.htm

Developed and funded by the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors, the Self-Help Legal Access Center (SHLAC) program is administered by the Los Angeles County Department of Consumer Affairs, and operated by Neighborhood Legal Services (NLS) and Legal Aid Foundation of Los Angeles (LAFLA). The SHLAC program provides information and resources to people that are representing themselves in court without the help of an attorney. SHLACs provide information about court procedures, distribute court forms, provide legal professionals to review court forms after they have been filled out, host workshops and provide one-on-one assistance.

SMARTLAW.ORG

Smartlaw.org is a website of the Los Angeles County Bar Association that provides lawyer referrals and information. Check out the website or call (213) 243-1525.

ABUSE/DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

1736 FAMILY CRISIS CENTER

2116 Arlington, Suite 200

Los Angeles, CA 90018

(323) 737-3900 – Appointments; (213) 745-6434 – 24 Hour Hotline

www.1736fcc.org

Provides assistance regarding domestic violence situations including temporary restraining orders.

ASIAN PACIFIC AMERICAN DISPUTE RESOLUTION CENTER

1145 Wilshire Blvd. #100

Los Angeles, CA 90017

(213) 250-8190

www.apadrc.org

The Asian Pacific American Dispute Resolution Center (APADRC) is a non-profit organization that provides mediation and conflict resolution services to diverse communities in the Los Angeles area, with a focus on the Asian Pacific Islander population. Mediation is handled in the areas of landlord-tenant, domestic-family, neighbor-neighbor, consumer/merchant, business, employment, community, small claims and organizational.

ASIAN PACIFIC AMERICAN LEGAL CENTER OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

1145 Wilshire Boulevard, 2nd Floor

Los Angeles, CA 90017

Legal Hotlines: Main - (213) 977-7500, Chinese - (800) 520-2356, Khmer - (800) 867-3126,
Korean - (800) 867-3640, Vietnamese - (800) 267-7395

www.apalc.org

The Asian Pacific American Legal Center of Southern California (APALC) is the nation's largest legal organization serving the Asian and Pacific Islander (API) communities. APALC combines traditional legal services with civil rights advocacy and leadership development. APALC helps in the areas of direct legal services, impacting litigation, policy analysis and advocacy, and leadership development. Direct legal services include providing Asian language hotlines, assisting immigrant survivors of domestic violence and helping immigrants gain citizenship and legal status. Appointments required for assistance.

BARRISTERS' DOMESTIC VIOLENCE COUNSELING PROJECT

Los Angeles Superior Court

111 North Hill Street

Department 8 (Room 245)

Los Angeles, CA 90012

(213) 896-6491 - Recorded message

www.lacba.org

Pasadena Court

300 East Walnut Street

Pasadena, CA 91101

Volunteer attorneys, law students and staff provide free one-on-one legal assistance (\$20 processing donation, but waiver is possible) to obtain restraining orders for victims of domestic violence.

CALIFORNIA WOMEN'S LAW CENTER

6300 Wilshire Boulevard, Suite 980

Los Angeles, CA 90048

(323) 951-1041

www.cwlc.org

California Women's Law Center (CWLC) works in collaboration with others to protect, secure and advance the comprehensive civil rights of women and girls. CWLC programs are designed to empower individuals to use the law that governs their rights and to address the legal issues that perpetuate the growing poverty among women and children.

CHILD ABUSE HOTLINE

www.dcfsc.co.la.ca.us/contactus/childabuse.html

To report child abuse in Los Angeles County, California, contact the Child Protection Hotline 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Toll-free within California, phone (800) 540-4000. If calling from outside of California, phone (213) 639-4500. TDD for hearing impaired is (800) 272-6699. Will provide referrals for legal aid.

CLINICA LEGAL

6334 Whittier Boulevard
Los Angeles, CA 90022
(323) 727-2828

Assistance with family law matters, criminal defense and immigration.

COMMUNITY LEGAL SERVICES

1-800-834-5001
www.lasoc.com

Community Legal Services (CLS) serves many cities in the southeast section of Los Angeles County and provides free, civil legal services to low-income persons and seniors. They offer a wide variety of options to help solve legal problems depending on the nature and complexity of the problem. Services include a hotline intake system, self-help clinics, workshops, on-line court forms and in-depth legal services ranging from preparation of legal documents to legal representation. Areas of assistance include family law, domestic violence, consumer issues, housing, health, taxes, public benefits, work and criminal issues.

ELDER ABUSE

Los Angeles County Adult Protective Services
(213) 351-5401 24 Hour Hotline: 1-877-477-3646
www.css.lacounty.gov/Aps/Aps.html

Adult Protective Services is a 24-hour service program designed to investigate all reported at-risk situations without regard to income involving the elderly 65 or older and dependent adults (18-64 who are physically or mentally impaired). Types of referrals include physical, sexual or financial abuse, isolation, neglect or self-neglect. Referrals are received through the Elder Abuse Hotline or from other entities. Does not provide legal aid.

INNER CITY LAW CENTER

1309 East 7th Street
Los Angeles, CA 90021
(213) 891-2880
www.innercitylaw.org

Inner City Law Center serves the poorest and most vulnerable individuals and families in Los Angeles County. They provide a range of legal representation and social service advocacy focused on housing and homelessness and benefits assistance. Intakes are handled at the Weingart Access Center (506 S. Main St, Los Angeles, CA 90013).

JEWISH FAMILY SERVICE/FAMILY VIOLENCE PROJECT

13949 Ventura Blvd., Suite 320
Sherman Oaks , CA 91423
Office - (818) 789-1293
24 Hour Crisis Line - (818) 505-0900
www.jfsla.org

24 hour crisis hotline, emergency shelter, transitional housing, individual counseling, support groups, prevention and education programs targeting teens, parenting education, community outreach and education, advocacy, court accompaniment, 40 hour domestic violence certification training for volunteers and professionals, speaker's bureau, and consultation.

LA GAY & LESBIAN CENTER (LAGLC)

Legal Services Department
1625 N. Schrader Boulevard
Los Angeles, CA 90028
(323) 933-7670 or legalservices@lagaycenter.org
www.lagaycenter.org

Domestic Violence Legal Advocacy Project - (323) 993-7649 or dvlap@lagaycenter.org
Transgender Economic Empowerment Project - (323) 993-7410 or teep@lagaycenter.org
Anti-Violence Project - 1-800-373-2227 (English), 1-877-963-4666 (Spanish) or
avp@lagaycenter.org

Services: The Legal Clinic offers consultations given by volunteer attorneys who specialize in various areas of law. Additional services are offered by 3 other programs within the department: the Domestic Violence Legal Advocacy Project provides legal advocacy to victims of intimate partner violence, sexual assault and stalking within the LGBT community; the Anti-Violence Project provides advocacy to victims of hate violence; the Transgender Economic Empowerment Project provides career development services for transgender job seekers, name and/or gender change document preparation and Transgender 101 trainings for prospective employers. For those wishing to retain the services of a private attorney, a State-certified Lawyer Referral Service is offered. **All services require an appointment.** Appointments can be scheduled either over the phone or during intake hours when an intake volunteer is available. **Intake hours are Monday-Thursday 11:00am-5:00pm and Fridays 11:00am-1:00pm.**

Service Fees: The \$10 consultation fee is waived for West Hollywood community members and for those individuals who meet low-income guidelines or are receiving government benefits. The Lawyer Referral Service has a mandatory fee of \$25 which provides 3 private attorney referrals.

LEGAL AID FOUNDATION OF LOS ANGELES

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LEVITT & QUINN FAMILY LAW CENTER

1557 Beverly Boulevard
Los Angeles, CA 90026
(213) 482-1800
www.levitt-quinn.org

Provides affordable legal representation in family law matters to low-income residents of Los Angeles County to ensure stability for children and their families in the face of legal difficulties. Key legal services include the areas of adoption, child support, custody and visitation, domestic violence, grandparent visitation, guardianship, marital dissolution, paternity and spousal support.

LOS ANGELES CENTER FOR LAW AND JUSTICE

1241 S. Soto Street, Suite 102
Los Angeles, CA 90023
(323) 980-3500
www.laclj.org

Provides legal advice and representation in areas of family, housing and immigration law to low-income residents of east, southeast and northeast Los Angeles.

WORKING PEOPLE'S LAW CENTER

1475 Echo Park Avenue
Los Angeles, CA 90026
(213) 250-5500

Legal assistance regarding family law and criminal law for low-income persons.

AIDS/HIV-RELATED LEGAL SERVICES

BET TZEDEK LEGAL SERVICES

3250 Wilshire Blvd., 13th Floor
Los Angeles, CA 90010
(323) 939-0506
www.bettzedek.org

Provides representation in landlord/tenant cases, government benefits, health including HIV/AIDS issues, board and care, nursing home, durable power of attorney for health care, Medicare, MediCal, in-home supportive services, conservatorships, guardianships, wills, consumer law, holocaust reparations, employment rights and bankruptcy. Services are free, but client must meet low-income guidelines. Several languages spoken.

CENTER FOR CIVIC MEDIATION *(a service of the Los Angeles County Bar Association)*

6720 Melrose Ave.
Los Angeles, CA 90038
(323) 930-1841 (For other locations in LA County call 1-877-473-7658 or visit www.lacba.org)

Offers mediation to help people and businesses resolve disputes as an alternative solution to litigation with an emphasis on living together agreements, partnership dissolution, child support, non-biological parent's rights, HIV/AIDS matters, neighbor/neighbor disputes, landlord/tenant disputes and employment disputes.

DEPARTMENT OF FAIR EMPLOYMENT AND HOUSING

1055 W. 7th Street, Suite #1400
Los Angeles, CA 90017
(800) 884-1684
www.dfeh.ca.gov

The Department of Fair Employment and Housing (DFEH) is the largest state civil rights agency in the country. The DFEH maintains the authority to investigate complaints of discrimination in the areas of employment, housing, public accommodations and hate violence.

HIV/AIDS LEGAL SERVICES (HALSA)

3550 Wilshire Blvd. Suite 750
Los Angeles, CA 90010
(213) 637-1690
www.halsaservices.org

HALSA is one of the nation’s leading HIV legal service providers supporting low-income persons living with HIV/AIDS. Through legal representation, advocacy and community education, HALSA protects rights, ensures dignity and improves health. HALSA offers free counseling and legal assistance to low-income individuals who cannot afford an attorney and is considered the national model for its expertise in the fields of discrimination, privacy, immigration, employment, housing, public benefits and tax issues.

LA GAY & LESBIAN CENTER (LAGLC)

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LOS ANGELES AIDS COORDINATOR’S OFFICE

201 North Figueroa Street, Suite 100
Los Angeles, CA 90012
(213) 202-2750
www.disability.lacity.org/aids/index.htm

The City of Los Angeles AIDS Coordinator's Office is committed to developing and supporting programs and policies that prevent transmission of HIV and improve quality of life for people living with HIV and AIDS in the City of Los Angeles. A booklet entitled “HIV & AIDS Discrimination Booklet” can also be found at www.disability.lacity.org

BANKRUPTCY

ASSISTANCE AND GUIDANCE INTERNATIONAL SERVICE

329 North Rowan Avenue
Los Angeles, CA 90063
(323) 264-2751

Legal assistance for low-income individuals including assistance with bankruptcy, civil matters and worker’s compensation.

BET TZEDEK LEGAL SERVICES

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CLEARPOINT CREDIT COUNSELING SERVICES

6001 E. Washington Boulevard, Suite 200
Los Angeles, CA 90040
(800) 750-2227
www.bydesignsolutions.org

ClearPoint is a 501(c)(3) national non-profit organization that helps consumers obtain a clear understanding of their financial situation through counseling and education.

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PUBLIC COUNSEL

601 South Ardmore Avenue
Los Angeles, CA 90005
(213) 385-2977
www.publiccounsel.org

Public Counsel is dedicated to advancing equal justice under the law by delivering free legal and social services to the most vulnerable members of the community, including abused and abandoned children, homeless families and veterans, senior citizens, victims of consumer fraud and nonprofit organizations serving low-income communities. They are the public interest law office of the Los Angeles County and Beverly Hills Bar Associations and the Southern California affiliate of the Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights Under Law.

PUBLIC GUARDIAN

Department of Mental Health
320 W. Temple
Los Angeles, CA 90012
(213) 974-0515

The Director of County Mental Health/Public Guardian functions as the legal guardian or conservator of the person and estate of individuals whom the court has determined to be unable to provide their basic needs of food, clothing and/or shelter. Referrals to the Public Guardian's Office are accepted only from mental health professionals designated to evaluate for both the grave disability (inability to provide for one's basic personal needs for food, clothing or shelter) and the mental disorder. If you, as a relative, friend, or other concerned citizen believe another person needs a Conservator, the proper course to follow is for you to contact the appropriate source and request an evaluation for grave disability and referral to the Public Guardian as follows:

- If the patient is in an acute psychiatric hospital designated by the Los Angeles County Department of Mental Health to accept and treat involuntary patients, contact the treating therapist at the hospital and request an evaluation for conservatorship.
- If the patient is living at home or residing in any other facility, contact the Los Angeles County Department of Mental Health's Regional Office that covers the area where the patient is located and request a conservatorship evaluation.

WORKING PEOPLE'S LAW CENTER

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CONSUMER

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THE CENTER FOR CONFLICT RESOLUTION AT LOYOLA LAW SCHOOL

919 Albany Street
Los Angeles, CA 90015
(213) 736-1145
www.lls.edu/academics/candp/ccr.html

The Loyola Law School Center for Conflict Resolution provides mediation, conciliation and facilitation services, and conflict resolution training to the communities throughout Los Angeles County (particularly those adjacent to the Law School), and to students, faculty and staff at Loyola. These services are provided in English and Spanish. The Center's services are confidential.

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LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS

500 W. Temple St., Room B-96

Los Angeles, CA 90012

(800) 593-8222

www.dca.lacounty.gov

The Department of Consumer Affairs (DCA) is here to protect and serve LA County consumers while ensuring a competent and fair marketplace. DCA helps consumers learn how to protect themselves from unscrupulous and unqualified individuals. The Department also protects professionals from unfair competition by unlicensed practitioners. The DCA programs and services include Consumer Protection Services, Real Estate Fraud & Information Program, Small Claims Court Advisor Program, Dispute Settlement Service, Adult Protective Services - Fraud Protection Program and Identity Theft Unit.

NEIGHBORHOOD LEGAL SERVICES

(800) 433-6251

www.nls-la.org

Neighborhood Legal Services of Los Angeles County (NLS-LA) provides free legal services to low-income residents throughout Los Angeles County in areas including Consumer Protection, Education, Discrimination, Public Benefits, Housing, Domestic Violence/Family Law, Immigration, Employment and Community Development.

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CRIMINAL LAW

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AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION (ACLU)

Hollywood Chapter - (213) 977-9500

www.aclu-sc.org

The ACLU was founded to defend and secure the rights granted by the Bill of Rights. The work of the ACLU is accomplished by lobbying, public education and litigation and can be categorized as follows:

- First Amendment (free speech, free association and assembly, freedom of the press, religious freedom)
- Equal Protection /Discrimination
- The right to be treated fairly (Due Process)
- Personal privacy and autonomy
- Groups and individuals that continue to struggle for civil liberties

ANTI-DEFAMATION LEAGUE

Los Angeles County Office

(310) 446-8000

www.adl.org

The Los Angeles regional office of the Anti-Defamation League (ADL) focuses on combating anti-Semitism and bigotry of all kinds in the counties of Los Angeles, San Bernardino, Riverside and Kern.

ASIAN PACIFIC AMERICAN LEGAL CENTER OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

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HOUSING RIGHTS CENTER

520 S. Virgil Avenue, Suite 400

Los Angeles, CA 90020

(800) 477-5977

www.hrc-la.org

The Housing Rights Center (HRC) actively supports and promotes fair housing through education and advocacy to the end that all persons have the opportunity to secure the housing they desire and can afford, without discrimination based on their race, color, religion, gender, sexual orientation, national origin, familial status, marital status, disability, ancestry, age, source of income or other characteristics protected by law. HRC investigates housing discrimination complaints brought under both State and Federal fair housing laws. HRC has established an effective and comprehensive outreach and education program. They present fair housing law workshops and programs to their target audiences to teach communities how to stop housing inequity. HRC provides telephone and in-person counseling to both tenants and landlords regarding their respective rights and responsibilities under California law and local city ordinances.

LA GAY & LESBIAN CENTER (LAGLC)

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LAMBDA LEGAL

3325 Wilshire Boulevard, Suite 1300
Los Angeles, CA 90010-1729
(213) 382-7600
www.lambdalegal.org

Lambda Legal is a national organization committed to achieving full recognition of the civil rights of lesbians, gay men, bisexuals, transgender people and those with HIV through impact litigation, education and public policy work.

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MEXICAN AMERICAN LEGAL DEFENSE AND EDUCATIONAL FUND (MALDEF)

634 South Spring Street
Los Angeles, CA 90014
(213) 629-2512
www.maldef.org

MALDEF is the nation's leading non-profit Latino legal organization. Often described as the "law firm of the Latino community," MALDEF promotes equality and justice through litigation, advocacy, public policy, and community education in the areas of employment, immigrants' rights, voting rights, education, and language rights.

NAACP LEGAL DEFENSE AND EDUCATIONAL FUND, INC. (NAACPLDF)

NAACPLDF - New York office @ (212) 965-2200 or visit www.naacpldf.org
NAACP - Los Angeles office @ (310) 397-1171 or visit www.naacp-losangeles.org

The NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund is America's legal counsel on issues of race. Through advocacy and litigation, LDF focuses on issues of education, voter protection, economic justice and criminal justice. They encourage students to embark on careers in public interest fields through scholarship and internship programs. LDF pursues racial justice to move the United States toward a society that fulfills the promise of equality for all Americans.

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MARTIN LUTHER KING DISPUTE RESOLUTION CENTER

4182 South Western Avenue
Los Angeles, CA 90062
(213) 290-4126

The Martin Luther King Dispute Resolution Center provides community residents with an alternative to the courts by offering mediation and conciliation to resolve conflicts and disputes.

EDUCATION LAW

DISABILITY RIGHTS LEGAL CENTER

919 South Albany Street
Los Angeles, CA 90015
(213) 736-1031 or toll free at (866) 999-3752
TTY - (213) 736-8310
www.disabilityrightslegalcenter.org

Provides legal services to people with disabilities. Programs include mediation, lawyer referrals, civil rights litigation, education and outreach, and a cancer legal research center.

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**CALIFORNIA DEPT. OF INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS, DIVISION OF LABOR
STANDARDS ENFORCEMENT**

320 West 4th Street, Suite 450
Los Angeles, CA 90013
(213) 620-6330

The Division of Labor Standards Enforcement and the Office of the Labor Commissioner adjudicate wage claims, investigate discrimination and public works complaints, and enforce Labor Code statutes and Industrial Welfare Commission orders.

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ALLIANCE FOR CHILDREN'S RIGHTS

3333 Wilshire Blvd., Suite #550
Los Angeles, CA 90010
(213) 368-6010
www.kids-alliance.org

The Alliance for Children's Rights helps protect the rights and future of abused and impoverished children throughout Los Angeles County through direct legal services, community education and advocacy.

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COMFORT FOR COURT KIDS

Edmund D. Edelman Children's Court
201 Centre Plaza Drive, Suite 3
Monterey Park, CA 91754
(323) 526-2520

Comfort for Court Kids helps abused and neglected children cope with their experiences at Dependency Court.

COMMUNITY LEGAL SERVICES

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DISPUTE RESOLUTION SERVICES *(a service of the Los Angeles County Bar Association)*

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HARRIETT BUHAI CENTER FOR FAMILY LAW

3250 Wilshire Boulevard, Suite 710
Los Angeles, CA 90010
(213) 388-7515
www.hbcfl.org

The Harriett Buhai Center for Family Law is one of the largest providers of family law and domestic violence assistance to low-income persons in Los Angeles. The focus of the Center's efforts is on legal problems involving custody, visitation, support of children, domestic violence, and establishing parentage.

LA GAY & LESBIAN CENTER (LAGLC)

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LEGAL AID FOUNDATION OF LOS ANGELES

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LEGAL PROTECTION FOR WOMEN

5300 East Beverly Boulevard, Suite D

Los Angeles, CA 90022

M-F – 8:30 am – 5:00 pm

Assistance with family law matters including adoption, domestic violence and name changes.

LEVITT & QUINN FAMILY LAW CENTER

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LOS ANGELES CENTER FOR LAW AND JUSTICE

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LOS ANGELES COUNTY CHILD SUPPORT SERVICES DEPARTMENT

5770 South Eastern Avenue

Commerce, CA 90040-2924

(866) 901-3212

www.cssd.lacounty.gov

The mission of the Los Angeles County Child Support Services Department is to improve the quality of life for children and families by providing timely, accurate and responsive child support services.

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GOVERNMENT BENEFITS

ASIAN PACIFIC AMERICAN LEGAL CENTER OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

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CENTER FOR HEALTHCARE RIGHTS

520 Lafayette Park Place, Suite 214
Los Angeles, CA 90057
(213) 383-4519 or (800) 824-0780

The Center for Healthcare Rights provides individual and systemic advocacy for Medicare beneficiaries throughout Los Angeles County. They offer services to aid eligible clients including information, counseling and legal assistance to better understand the extent of their healthcare coverage.

INNER CITY LAW CENTER

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DISABILITY RIGHTS CALIFORNIA

3580 Wilshire Boulevard, Suite 902
Los Angeles, CA 90010
(213) 427-8747 - (800) 776-5746 Toll Free Hotline
www.pai-ca.org

Disability Rights California works to bring about fairness and justice for people living with disabilities. To reach those goals, they may file lawsuits on behalf of individuals or groups, investigate charges of abuse and neglect, build peer/self advocacy groups, forge community partnerships, advocate for change in laws, regulations, and public policy, and provide information to those who may not know about their rights.

DISABILITY RIGHTS LEGAL CENTER

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GREATER LOS ANGELES COUNCIL ON DEAFNESS (GLAD)

2222 Laverna Avenue

Los Angeles, CA 90041

(323) 478-8000 TTY- (323) 550-4226 VIDEOPHONE - (866) 932-8553

www.gladinc.org

The mission of the Greater Los Angeles Agency on Deafness, Inc. (GLAD) is to ensure equal access for the deaf and hard of hearing community to the same opportunities afforded their hearing counterparts.

LA GAY & LESBIAN CENTER (LAGLC)

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LOS ANGELES COUNTY OFFICE OF OMBUDSMAN

510 S. Vermont, Suite 215

Los Angeles, CA 90020

213-738-2003 or 800-801-0030

<http://ombudsman.lacounty.info/>

The Office of Ombudsman is a division of Los Angeles County's Community and Senior Services that provides a professional, neutral and impartial forum for people who seek answers and solutions to problems and concerns involving the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department, Office of Public Safety, and other agencies as directed by the Board of Supervisors.

MENTAL HEALTH ADVOCACY SERVICE, INC.

3255 Wilshire Boulevard, Suite 902

Los Angeles, CA 90010

(213) 389-2077

www.mhas-la.org

Mental Health Advocacy Services, Inc. (MHAS) is a private non-profit 501(c)(3) corporation providing free legal services to people with mental disabilities primarily in Los Angeles County.

NEIGHBORHOOD LEGAL SERVICES

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PUBLIC COUNSEL

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WESTSIDE CENTER FOR INDEPENDENT LIVING, INC.

12901 Venice Boulevard

Los Angeles, CA 90066

(888) 851-9245

www.wcil.org

The Westside Center for Independent Living is a non-residential center dedicated to enhancing the quality of life for people with all kinds of disabilities.

ASIAN PACIFIC AMERICAN LEGAL CENTER OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
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THE CENTER FOR CONFLICT RESOLUTION AT LOYOLA LAW SCHOOL
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COALITION FOR ECONOMIC SURVIVAL (CES)
514 Shatto Place, Suite #270
Los Angeles, CA 90020
(213) 252-4411
www.cesinaction.org

Coalition for Economic Survival (CES) is a multi-racial, multi-culture grass-roots community-based organization that has been dedicated to organizing low-and moderate-income people to win economic and social justice throughout greater Los Angeles. CES holds a **Tenant's Right Legal Clinic in West Hollywood** at the Comprehensive Services Center in Plummer Park (7377 Santa Monica Blvd.) every Wednesday (7:00pm) and Saturday (10am). Issues addressed include evictions, rent control, getting repairs, maintenance and security deposits. Please arrive on time.

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DEPARTMENT OF FAIR EMPLOYMENT AND HOUSING
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WEST HOLLYWOOD RENT STABILIZATION & HOUSING DEPARTMENT

8300 Santa Monica Boulevard

West Hollywood, CA 90069

(323) 848-6450

www.weho.org

The West Hollywood Rent Stabilization & Housing Department answers questions about rent control, provides information about rent-controlled properties, advises how much rent can be collected for specific rent-controlled units, provides information about other advisory services in the community and holds hearings regarding individual rent decreases or increases.

IMMIGRATION LAW

ASIAN PACIFIC AMERICAN LEGAL CENTER OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

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CARECEN (CENTRAL AMERICAN RESOURCE CENTER)

2845 West 7th Street

Los Angeles, CA 90005

(213) 385-7800

www.carecen-la.org

The mission of CARECEN is to empower Central Americans by defending human and civil rights, working for social and economic justice and promoting cultural diversity. Legal services address areas including political asylum and immigration law.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES IMMIGRATION SERVICES

1531 James M. Wood Boulevard

Los Angeles, CA 90015

(213) 251-3400

www.catholiccharitiesla.org

Immigration Services provide support and advocacy to individuals and families, helping them to legalize their residency status and become naturalized citizens.

LA GAY & LESBIAN CENTER (LAGLC)

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LEGAL AID FOUNDATION OF LOS ANGELES

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MEXICAN AMERICAN LEGAL DEFENSE AND EDUCATIONAL FUND (MALDEF)

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NATIONAL IMMIGRATION LAW CENTER

3435 Wilshire Boulevard, Suite 2850
Los Angeles, CA 90010
(213) 629-3900
www.nilc.org

The National Immigration Law Center (NILC) is dedicated to protecting and promoting the rights of low-income immigrants and their family members and is a leading expert on immigration, public benefits, and employment laws affecting immigrants and refugees.

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POLICE WATCH

(213) 387-3325

Provides consultations and legal advice for victims of unlawful conduct by police in the Los Angeles area.

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