The attorneys serving Somerset County Maryland are working hard to make civil legal services available to all residents regardless of income.

Most of the following programs have income requirements that must be met in order to be eligible for assistance.

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**LOCAL AND STATEWIDE LEGAL SERVICES PROGRAMS SERVING SOMERSET COUNTY**

**LOCAL RESOURCES**
2-1-1 Maryland—Community/health & human service resources. Call 211, 410-749-4357, or 866-231-7101

Courthouse Family Law Advice Clinic (Pro Se Project)—Family law assistance for those wishing to represent themselves. Somerset County Circuit Annex 410-621-7582 F 9:00AM-12:00PM

Lawyer Referral Service—Civil & criminal cases. 410-539-3112 or 410-651-4960

Legal Aid Bureau—General Civil Legal Services to low income individuals. Regional Office 410-546-5511 or 800-444-4099 www.mdla.org

Life Crisis Center, Inc.—Provides services to victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, child abuse, etc. 410-749-8111 or 410-749-HELP (4357) http://www.lifecrisiscenter.org/

Maryland Volunteer Lawyers Service (MVLS)—Free legal representation to Marylanders with limited income in civil legal matters. $25 non-refundable application fee. Matches eligible clients with skilled volunteer lawyer. Apply online http://www.mvlaw.org/clients/apply-for-services/ or call 410-547-6537 or 800-510-0050 M-Th 9AM-1PM. www.mvlaw.org

Office of the Public Defender—Criminal defense. 410 651 3271 8AM-4:30PM 877-430-5187 (Information Line) www.opd.state.md.us

**STATEWIDE RESOURCES**

Alternative Directions—Legal assistance for incarcerated persons. 410-889-5072 www.alternativedirectionsinc.org

ACLU—410-889-8555 www.aclu-md.org

AYUDA—Immigration Law. 202-387-4848

Baltimore Neighborhoods, Inc.—Rights & responsibilities in landlord/tenants disputes. 800-487-6007

CASA de MD—Immigration & Employment issues. 301-431-4185 www.casademaryland.org

Catholic Charities of Baltimore Immigration Legal Services (Esperanza Center)—Low-cost legal counseling & representation in immigration matters. 410-534-8015 http://www.catholiccharities-md.org/immigrants/

CHANA—Assists individuals in the Jewish community who are victims of domestic violence, elder abuse, & survivors of childhood trauma by providing support, counseling, & legal assistance. 410-234-0030 www.chanabaltimore.org

Child Support Enforcement Administration—Assistance in securing child support 800-323-6347.

Civil Justice—Legal Services at a reduced fee. 410-706-0174 www.civiljusticenetwork.org

Consumer Protection Division of the Attorney General’s Office—Consumer Protection Issues 301-600-1071 or 301-791-4780 M-F 8:30AM-5:00PM

FreeState Legal Project—Legal services to low income members of the LGBT community. 410-625-5428 www.freestatelegal.org

Glen Burnie Self-Help Center—General Civil Legal Assistance. No traffic or criminal cases. Walk-in Service: M-F 8:30AM-4:30PM; Phone: M-F 8:30AM-12PM & 2PM-4:30PM; Online Chat: M-F 8:30AM-12PM & 2PM-4:30PM. 410-260-1392. http://www.courts.state.md.us/legalhelp/distriictcselfhelpcenter.html

Homeless Persons Representation Project—Services for homeless or at risk of ‘homelessness, including veterans’ benefits. 410-685-6589 or 800-773-4340 www.hprplaw.org

House of Ruth Domestic Violence Legal Clinic—Services for victims of domestic violence. 410-889-RUTH (7884) (24 Hour Hotline) www.hruth.org/legal

JustAdvice ® Clinic—For a $10 fee, attorneys provide brief 30-minute legal consultations on a wide variety of civil matters. 410-929-4809 www.justadvice.wordpress.com

MD Commission on Civil Rights—Enforces anti-discrimination laws. 410-767-8600 or 800-637-6247 M-F 9AM-3PM

MD Dept. of Aging—410-767-1100 or 800-AGE-DIAL (800-243-3425)


MD Disability Law Center—Legal assistance for problems related to disabilities. 410-727-6352, 800-233-7201, or TTY: 410-235-5387 www.mdlaw.org

MD HOPE Hotline—Foreclosure Assistance 877-462-7555

MD Senior Legal Helpline—Help for those 60 & older 800-896-4213, Ext. 7750 or 410-951-7750

Multi-Ethnic Domestic Violence Project (MEDOVI)—Domestic Violence Assistance, Multi-lingual voicemail 410-396-3294


National Veterans Legal Services Program—202-265-8305 www.nvls.org

Sixty Plus Legal Program—Limited legal services for those 60 years of age & older. 410-951-7760 or 800-999-8904, Ext. 7760. Ask for Sixty Plus Legal Program

Tahirih Justice Center—Provides legal & social services to immigrant victims of gender-based violence. 571-282-6161 www.tahirih.org