BALTIMORE CITY

LEGAL SERVICES DIRECTORY

Pro Bono (FREE) and Reduced Fee Legal Services

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In conjunction with the Bar Association of Baltimore City's Pro Bono and Access to Legal Services Committee, and the Court of Appeals' Standing Committee on Pro Bono Legal Services.



2-1-1 MARYLAND

Community, health and human service resources

- Call 211
- www.211md.org

ADELANTE FAMILIA

Serves Spanish-speaking immigrants living in Baltimore who are victims, or at risk of being victims, of intimate partner violence

- 410-732-2176
- www.hruth.org/get-help/adelantefamilia

AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION (ACLU)

Civil liberties and civil rights

- 443-524-2558 (civil rights intake line)
 - o TU & TH 1:00pm 3:00pm
- www.aclu-md.org

ASYLEE WOMEN'S ENTERPRISE

Wraparound services for asylum seekers and other forced migrants

- 443-850-0627
- www.asyleewomen.org

ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE OF CONSUMER PROTECTION

Services for consumers to resolve complaints against businesses

- 410-528-8662
 - o M-F 9:00am 3:00pm
- www.marylandattorneygeneral.gov

AYUDA

Legal services to foreign-born clients, focusing on immigration, domestic violence and family law issues

- 202-594-0600
- www.ayuda.com

BALTIMORE CITY DISTRICT COURT SELF-HELP CENTER

General civil legal assistance

- 410-260-1392
 - o M-F 8:30am 8:00pm
- www.mdcourts.gov/selfhelp

BAR ASSOCIATION OF BALTIMORE CITY SENIOR LEGAL SERVICES

Pro bono civil legal services for Baltimore City seniors aged 60 & over

- 410-396-1322
 - o M-F 9:00am 5:00pm
- www.baltimoreseniorlegalservices.org

CATHOLIC CHARITIES ESPERANZA CENTER, IMMIGRATION LEGALSERVICES

Low-cost legal counseling/representation in immigration matters

- 667-600-2000
- www.catholiccharitiesmd.org/services /immigration

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
 - Live Chat: M-F 10:00am 2:00pm,
 M-TH 5:00pm 8:00pm
- www.chanabaltimore.org

CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT ADMINISTRATION

Assists in securing child support from absent parents

- 1-800-332-6347
- www.dhs.maryland.gov/childsupport-services/contact-csa

CIVIL JUSTICE, INC.

Matches individuals with attorneys for a reduced rate

- 410-706-0174
- http://civiljusticenetwork.org

COMMUNITY LAW CENTER, INC.

Civil legal services to non-profits and community organizations throughout Maryland

- 410-366-0922
- www.communitylaw.org

DISABILITY RIGHTS MARYLAND

Information, referral & advocacy services for individuals with disabilities & their families

- 410-727-6352
- www.disabilityrightsmd.org

DISTRICT COURT ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION OFFICE (ADR)

Offers mediation & settlement conferencing free of charge in many civil cases before or on the trial date

- 410-260-1676
- www.mdcourts.gov/district/adr/home

EMPLOYMENT LAW HOTLINE

Operated by Women's Law Center; Attorneys answer questions about employment law and legal rights in the workplace

- 1-877-422-9500
 - TU 9:30am 1:00pm; first TH of the month 5:00pm - 7:30pm
- http://www.wlcmd.org/how-we-help/employment-law/

FAMILY AND CHILDREN'S SERVICES

Domestic violence/abuse help services

- 410-669-9000
- www.fcsmd.org

FAMILY LAW HOTLINE

Operated by Women's Law Center and Maryland Legal Aid

- 800-845-8550
 - o M-F 9:30am 4:30pm
- http://www.wlcmd.org/how-we-help/family-law/

FORECLOSURE LEGAL ASSISTANCE PROJECT

Operated by Maryland Legal Aid; Provides legal advice and counsel to homeowners at risk at foreclosure

- 888-213-3320
- www.mdlab.org/get-help-services/

FORECLOSURE BRIEF LEGAL ADVICE PROJECT

Operated by Civil Justice; MD Homeowners can speak with a foreclosure defense attorney and get legal advice

- 443-808-0076
 - M 1:30pm 6:00pm; W 8:00am -12:30pm

FREESTATE JUSTICE

Provides direct legal services to incomequalified LGBTQ Marylanders in civil legal matters arising out of their sexual orientation or gender identity

- 443-977-4254
 - o M-TH 9:00am 12:00pm
- www.freestate-justice.org

HOMELESS PERSONS REPRESENTATION PROJECT

Services for homeless/at risk of homelessness, including veterans' benefits

- 410-685-6589
- www.hprplaw.org

HOUSE OF RUTH MARYLAND

Services to victims of domestic violence

- 410-889-RUTH (7884) 24-hour Hotline
- 888-880-RUTH (7884) 24-hour Legal Line
 - o M-F 8:30am 4:30pm
- www.hruth.org/get-help/legalservices

JOINING FORCES PROJECT

Operated by Maryland Legal Aid; Free legal assistance and brief advice for low-income individuals who have served in any branch of the military

- 443-863-4040
 - TU 3:00pm 7:00pm; TH 9:30am -1:30pm
- www.mdlab.org/get-helpservices/joining-forces- project

JUST ADVICE® PROJECT

Operated by University of Maryland; Attorneys provide brief legal consultations on a wide variety of legal issues

- 410-929-4809
- www.law.umaryland.edu/justadvice

KIDS IN NEED OF DEFENSE

Volunteer attorneys represent unaccompanied children in the U.S. immigration system

- 202-824-8680
- www.supportkind.org

LAWYER REFERRAL AND INFORMATION SERVICE

Public service of the Bar Association of Baltimore City to assist the public in obtaining qualified legal counsel to provide general legal information to the public

- 410-539-3112
 - o M & W 10:00am 2:00pm
- www.baltimorebar.org

MD CRIME VICTIMS RESOURCE CENTER

Provides information, brief advice, general support and referrals to pro bono attorneys for eligible crime victims

- 240-335-4026 (1-877-VICTIM-1)
- www.mdcrimevictims.org

MARYLAND LAW HELP

Maryland Law Help is a free mobile app that connects Maryland citizens with legal information on their smartphones and tablets. The app brings together tools and resources developed by the Maryland Judiciary and others to help.

 www.mdcourts.gov/legalhelp/mobile app

MARYLAND LEGAL AID

Civil legal services to low-income individuals on a wide range of civil matters

- 866-635-2948 (Toll-Free Intake)
- www.mdlab.org

MARYLAND SELF-HELP CENTER

Provides free limited legal services for people who are not represented by a lawyer

- 410-260-1392
 - o M-F 8:30am 8:00pm
- www.mdcourts.gov/selfhelp/mcshc

MARYLAND VOLUNTEER LAWYERS SERVICES (MVLS)

Free legal representation to Marylanders with limited income in civil legal matters. Matches eligible clients with a skilled volunteer lawyer

- 410-547-6537 or 800-510-0050
 - o M-TH 9:00am 12:00pm
- www.mvlslaw.org

MULTI-ETHNIC DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PROJECT

Operated by Women's Law Center; Represents foreign-born victims of domestic violence in immigration matters

- 410-396-3294
 - M-F 8:30am 4:30pm
- www.wlcmd.org/how-wehelp/immigration-remedies-medoviproject

NATIONAL VETERANS LEGAL SERVICES PROGRAM

- 202-265-8305
- www.nvlsp.org

NATIONAL ORG. OF SOCIAL SECURITY CLAIMAINTS' REPRESENTATION (NOSSCR)

Provides lawyer referral service to those seeking assistance with Social Security Disability and SSI programs

- 845-682-1880
- www.nosscr.org

OFFICE OF CIVIL RIGHTS AND WAGE ENFORCEMENT

Civil legal services to low-income individuals on a wide range of civil matters

- 410-396-3141
- www.civilrights.baltimorecity.gov/

OFFICE OF PEOPLE'S COUNSEL

Provides representation for residential consumers of electricity, natural gas, telecommunications, private water and certain transportation services in Maryland

- 410-767-8150 or 800-207-4055
- www.opc.maryland.gov

OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC DEFENDER

Provides free representation in criminal cases to those who meet income eligibility quidelines

- 1-877-430-5187
- www.opd.state.md.us

PRO BONO RESOURCE CENTER OF MARYLAND (PBRC)

Assists with immigration, tax sale and foreclosure prevention, debt and consumer issues, tenant issues, and estate planning at pro bono clinics

- 410-837-9379
- PBRC'S Tenant and Consumer Assistance Hotline: 443-703-3053
- Immigration: 443-703-3054
- Home Preservation Project: 443-703-3052
- www.probonomd.org

PROTECTION ORDER ADVOCACY AND REPRESENTATION PROJECT (POARP)

Operated by Women's Law Center. Represents victims of domestic violence in Protective Order hearings in Baltimore City, Baltimore Co. & Carroll Co.

- 410-321-1041 (Baltimore City)
 - o M-F, 8:30am 4:30pm
- 410-887-3162 (Baltimore County)
 - o M-F, 8:30am 4:30pm
- 410-386-2440 (Carrol County)
 - o M-F, 8:30am 4:30pm
- www.wlcmd.org/how-wehelp/protection-order-advocacy-andrepresentation-project-poarp

PUBLIC JUSTICE CENTER

Provides legal representation to tenants at risk of eviction, low-wage workers & students with problems enrolling in public school or obtaining necessary services due to homelessness

- 410-625-9409
- www.publicjustice.org

SELF-REPRESENTED LITIGANT PROJECT

Assists individuals to represent themselves in simple family law matters

- Walk in assistance at 111 N. Calvert Street Baltimore, MD 21202
 - o M-F 9:00am 4:00pm
- https://www.baltimorecitycourt.org/court-divisions/family/self-represented-litigant-project/

SEXUAL ASSAULT LEGAL INSTITUTE (SALI)

Provides legal services to survivors of sexual assault, including child sexual abuse. Legal assistance is provided in civil and criminal cases

- 300-565-2277 or 877-496-7254 (SALI)
- www.mcasa.org/survivors/sali

ST. AMBROSE HOUSING AID CENTER

Provides legal advice/representation to help homeowners avoid foreclosure

- 410-366-8550
- www.stambros.org

TAHIRIH JUSTICE CENTER

Provides legal/social services to immigrant survivors of gender-based violence

- 410-999-1900
 - o Intake: T 10:00am 2:00pm
- www.tahirih.org

TURN AROUND, INC.

Provides counseling and support services to survivors of domestic violence, sexual assault and sex trafficking

- 410-837-7000, 443-279-0379
- Appointments: 410-377-8111
- www.turnaroundinc.org

ORGANIZATIONS THAT COVER SPECIFIC AREAS OF LAW

CIVIL RIGHTS

American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) | Public Justice Center

COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS / NON-PROFITS

Community Law Center | Maryland Volunteer Lawyers Service

CONSUMER ISSUES

Attorney General's Office of Consumer Protection | Civil Justice, Inc.
Pro Bono Resource Center of Maryland | Maryland Legal Aid |
Maryland Volunteer Lawyers Service

BANKRUPTCY

Attorney General's Office Consumer Protection | Civil Justice, Inc. | Maryland Legal Aid | Maryland Volunteer Lawyers Service

CRIMINAL DEFENSE

JustAdvice® Project | Lawyer Referral and Information Service | Office of the Public Defender | Civil Justice, Inc.

CRIMINAL RECORD EXPUNGEMENT

Homeless Persons Representation Project | JusticeAdvice® Project |

Lawyer Referral and Information Service |

Office of the Public Defender | Civil Justice, Inc.

DISABLED PERSONS

Disability Rights Maryland (DRM) | NOSSCR

EDUCATION / SPECIAL EDUCATION

Maryland Legal Aid | Disability Rights Maryland | Public Justice Center

ELDERLY / SENIORS

Bar Association of Baltimore City Senior Legal Services | Lawyer Referral and Information Service | Maryland Legal Aid | Maryland Senior Legal Helpline | Maryland Volunteer Lawyers Service | Pro Bono Resource Center of Maryland

EMPLOYMENT

Civil Justice, Inc. | Employment Law Hotline | Maryland Legal Aid | Public Justice Center

ORGANIZATIONS THAT COVER SPECIFIC AREAS OF LAW

FAMILY LAW

AYUDA | Civil Justice, Inc.
Child Support Enforcement Administration | Family Law Hotline |
House of Ruth Maryland | Maryland Legal Aid |
Maryland Volunteer Lawyers Service |
Protection Order and Advocacy Representation Project |
Self Represented Litigant Project

GENERAL CIVIL ISSUES

Civil Justice, Inc. | Jewish Legal Services Clinic | JustAdvice® Project Lawyer Referral and Information Service | Maryland Legal Aid | Maryland Volunteer Lawyers Service

HOMELESS PERSONS

Homeless Persons Representation Project | Public Justice Center

HOUSING / FORECLOSURE / LANDLORD-TENANT

Attorney General's Office | Civil Justice, Inc. |
Foreclosure Brief Legal Advice Project
Homeless Persons Representation Project | Maryland Legal Aid
Maryland Volunteer Lawyers Service | Public Justice Center |
Pro Bono Resource Center of Maryland | St. Ambrose Housing Aid Center

IMMIGRATION

Adelante Familia | AYUDA | Catholic Charities Esperanza Center, Immigration Legal Services | Pro Bono Resource Center of Maryland (Maryland Immigrant Legal Assistance Project) | Multi-Ethnic Domestic Violence Project | Tahirih Justice Center

LGBTQ+

FreeState Justice

MEDIATION / SETTLEMENT CONFERENCES

District Court Alternative Resolution Office (ADR)

PUBLIC BENEFITS

Homeless Persons Representation Project | Maryland Legal Aid