/// LEGAL HELP IN YOUR LANGUAGE

Sign & Spoken Languages

Did you know that there are organizations that provide free and confidential help in your native language? If you do not speak English, are learning English, or prefer to communicate in another language, a professional interpreter will be provided to you free of charge at all of the organizations on this brochure.



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Do you want to become a US Citizen? Did you leave your home country and are you afraid to return? Have you been the victim of a crime? An immigration attorney can help you figure out if you qualify for an immigration benefit or a visa.

Ayuda	•	•	•	•		•	www.ayuda.com/	202-387-4848
Capital Area Immigrants' Rights (CAIR) Coalition					•		www.caircoalition.org/need-help	202-899-1415 Adults 202-870-5843 Children
Catholic Charities, Immigration Legal Services	•	•	•	•		•	www.catholiccharitiesdc.org/gethelp	202-772-4352
Christian Legal Aid	•		•				www.christianlegalaid-dc.org/	202-710-0592
DC Affordable Law Firm		•	•	•		•	www.dcaffordablelaw.org/	202-844-5430
DC Bar Pro Bono Center	•						www.dcbar.org/for-the-public/help-for-individuals	202-626-3499
Human Rights First			•				www.humanrightsfirst.org/asylum/asylum-seekers-and-potential-clients	202-547-5692
DC-MD Justice For Our Neighbors	•	•	•	•			www.dcmdjfon.org/index.html	240-825-4424
Legal Aid Society of the District of Columbia		•				•	www.legalaiddc.org/get-help	202-628-1161
Washington Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights and Urban Affairs					•		www.washlaw.org	202-319-1000
African Communities Together (African community)	•		•	•			www.africans.us/	240-621-0194
Asian Pacific American Legal Resource Center (Asian Pacific Islanders)	•	•		•			www.apalrc.org/	202-393-3572 x22
Central American Resource Center (CARECEN) (Latinx community)	•	•		•			www.carecendc.org/	202-328-9799
Kids In Need of Defense (KIND) (children)						•	www.supportkind.org/contact/	202-824-8680
Mil Mujeres (gender violence)		•					www.milmujeres.org/	202-808-3311
TASSC (torture surviors)			•				www.tassc.org/legal-services/	202-529-2991
Whitman-Walker Health Legal Services Program (LGBTQIA)	•						www.whitman-walker.org/legal/	202-745-7000

CIVIL LEGAL SERVICES

Are you having trouble with your landlord? Are you facing foreclosure? Have you applied for unemployment benefits or for food stamps but been denied? Do you need help getting a divorce or custody of your child? Civil attorneys can help you access these and other basic necessities.

Children, Teens and Young Adults: Is your child struggling in school? Are they having trouble learning to read, write, or speak? Has your child been unfairly suspended or expelled? Is your rental home unsafe and making your child sick?

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Bread for the City	•	•	•										www.breadforthecity.org/services/access-our-services/legal-clinic/	202-480-8950 NW 202-791-3982 SE
Christian Legal Aid	•	•	•	•	•				•			•	www.christianlegalaid-dc.org/	202-710-0592
DC Affordable Law Firm	•	•				•	•		•	•			www.dcaffordablelaw.org/	202-844-5430
DC Bar Pro Bono Center	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•		•	•		www.dcbar.org/for-the-public/help-for-individuals	202-626-3499
Legal Aid Society of the District of Columbia	•	•	•	•	•			•				•	www.legalaiddc.org/get-help/	202-628-1161
Neighborhood Legal Services Program	•	•	•	•					•				www.nlsp.org/services/services	202-832-6577
Tzedek DC				•									www.tzedekdc.org/legal-services-contact-us/	202-274-7386
Washington Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights and Urban Affairs					•	•	•						www.washlaw.org	202-319-1000
Advocates for Justice and Education, Inc. (children)						•	•						www.aje-dc.org/	202- 678-8060
Amara Legal Center (sex workers)	•		•	•								•	www.amaralegal.org/	240-257-6492
Asian Pacific American Legal Resource Center (Asian Pacific Islanders)	•	•	•										www.apalrc.org/	202-393-3572 x22
Children's Law Center (children)	•					•	•	•					www.childrenslawcenter.org/	202-467-4900
Legal Counsel for the Elderly (age 60+)		•	•	•	•				•	•			www.aarp.org/LCE	202-434-2120
Quality Trust for Individuals with Disabilities			•		•	•							www.dcqualitytrust.org/advocates/attorneys/	202-459-4004
The Washington Legal Clinic for the Homeless (homeless)			•	•	•								www.legalclinic.org/legal-help/	202-328-5500
Whitman-Walker Health Legal Services Program (LGBTQIA)			•										www.whitman-walker.org/legal/	202-745-7000

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Have you or a family member been the victim of a crime? Are you trapped and unable to get free from someone else's control? Are you a survivor of sexual assault? An attorney can help you enforce your rights as a victim of crime.

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Bread for the City				•	•	•			www.breadforthecity.org/services/access-our-services/legal-clinic/	202-480-8950 NW 202-791-3982 SE
DC Bar Pro Bono Center		•			•	•			www.dcbar.org/for-the-public/help-for-individuals	202-626-3499
The DC Volunteer Lawyers' Project (DCVLP)		•			•	•			www.dcvlp.org/work/clinic-domestic-violence-walk-in-resource-clinic/	202-885-5542 (office)
Legal Aid Society of the District of Columbia	•	•	•	•	•	•	•		www.legalaiddc.org/get-help/	202-628-1161
Network for Victim Recovery of DC (NVRDC)	•	•	•	•			•	•	www.nvrdc.org/services-overview/	202-742-1727
Amara Legal Center (sex workers)				•					www.amaralegal.org/	240-257-6492
Asian Pacific American Legal Resource Center (Asian Pacific Islanders)	•				•	•			www.apalrc.org/	202-393-3572 x22
Break the Cycle (ages 12-24)	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	www.breakthecycle.org/	202-849-6289

CIVIL RIGHTS AND DISCRIMINATION

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Have you been denied a job because of the way you look or where you live?

Were you fired because you were pregnant or taking care of a child?

Have you been refused housing because you did not speak English?

A civil rights attorney can help you.

ACLU of the District of Columbia						•		www.acludc.org/en/node/43128	202-457-0800
Legal Aid Society of the District of Columbia			•					www.legalaiddc.org/get-help/	202-328-5500
Washington Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights and Urban Affairs	•	•		•	•	•	•	www.washlaw.org	202-319-1000
First Shift Justice Project (pregnancy/family)	•			•	•			www.firstshift.org/legal-services/	240-241-0897
University Legal Services (disability)						•		www.uls-dc.org/services.htm	202-628-1161
The Washington Legal Clinic for the Homeless (homeless)	•							www.legalclinic.org/legal-help/	202-328-5500
Whitman-Walker Health Legal Services Program (LGBTQIA)							•	www.whitman-walker.org/legal/	202-745-7000

LAW SCHOOL CLINICS

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Law school clinics can help you with civil and criminal issues. Law students, along with experienced supervising attorneys, represent clients in many different areas of law. The chart below shows all of the ways that they can help.

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Columbus Community Legal Services (CCLS) — The Catholic University of America	•	•	•	•		•	•	•	•	•	•			•					www.law.edu/CCLS/ccls-practiceareas. cfm#CCLS	202-319-6788
DC Law Students in Court (LSIC)		•			•							•	•						www.dclawstudents.org/get-help/	202-638-4798
Georgetown University Law Center					•			•		•			•		•				www.law.georgetown.edu/academics/ academic-programs/clinical-programs/ our-clinics/	202-661-6645
Jacob Burns Community Legal Clinics — The George Washington University	•			•				•	•	•				•	•			•	www.law.gwu.edu/clinics	202-994-7463
Howard University School of Law	•	•	•		•									•	•				www.law.howard.edu/content/ clinical-law-center	202-806-8082
University of Baltimore School of Law Clinical Program	•						•	•			•		•						www.law.ubalt.edu/clinics/	410-837-5706
University of the District of Columbia David A. Clarke School of Law	•	•	•	•		•		•			•				•	•			www.law.udc.edu/?page=ClinicsMenu	202-274-5073
Washington College of Law Clinical Program — American University				•	•			•		•	•			•			•		www.auwclclinic.org/need-help/	202-274-4140

If you need an interpreter at the DC Courts, contact the Office of Court Interpreting Services at 202-879-4828 or interpreters@dcsc.gov.

If the DC government does not provide you with an interpreter, please contact the DC Office of Human Rights at 202-727-4559 or ohr@dc.gov.

Legal Information Help Line - 202-626-3499. Available 24 hours a day, seven days a week in Amharic, English, French, and Spanish. www.lawhelp.org/dc

The legal information help line is an automated system of recorded messages giving basic information on more than 30 legal topics, finding an attorney, and the availability of free legal services in the District of Columbia.

Did you know that if you or a family member has suffered physical injury, emotional trauma or death because of a violent crime committed against you in DC you may be able to get money to cover crime related expenses? Contact the Crime Victims Compensation Program to see if you qualify at 202-879-4216.

WARNING: Beware of scams that affect immigrants! If you need help with a legal matter, make sure that the person helping you is an attorney. A notary public is not an attorney and cannot help you with your legal matter. If a non-attorney took money from you or hurt your case, contact Ayuda's Project END (Eradicating Notario Deceit) at 202-552-3604 or end@ayuda.com.

