

Do you have a **LEGAL** problem or question?

We want to help you!

Philadelphia Legal Assistance (PLA) and Community Legal Services (CLS) provide **FREE** legal help for low-income residents of Philadelphia. **Since our hours sometimes change, please call the numbers listed below to find out when we're taking new cases before coming in.**

	Philadelphia Legal Assistance 1424 Chestnut St. (215) 981-3800	Community Legal Services 1424 Chestnut St. (215) 981-3700	Community Legal Services 3638 N. Broad St. [at Erie] (215) 227-2400
H O U R S	Walk-in: Mon & Wed, 9-11:30 Phone: Tues & Thurs, 9:30-12 <i>except</i> Family Law: Mon & Thurs 1-2:30 Tues & Wed 3-4:30	Walk-in: Mon-Fri, 9-12 <i>except</i> Landlord problems: Mon & Wed 9-12 Phone: Mon, Wed & Fri 9-11 Public housing/Sec.8: Tues & Thurs 9-12	Walk-in: Mon, Wed, Fri, 9-12
	<i>If you have a problem with...</i> Welfare Food Stamps Medical Assistance Divorce Child Support Child Custody Protection from Abuse Orders Unemployment Compensation Bankruptcy	<i>If you have a problem with...</i> Employment Problems Employment Problems with Criminal Records Problems with your Landlord Problems with Public Housing Problems with DHS (involving complaints of child abuse) SSI Disability Benefits Problems with Utilities	<i>If you have a problem with...</i> Welfare Food Stamps Medical Assistance SSI Disability Benefits Nursing Homes & Other Elderly Issues Problems with Utilities Problems with Mortgages Loans and Consumer Scams Paying Back Student Loans Bankruptcy

You can also call one of our hotlines:

Family Advocacy Line:	(215) 981-3765	For parents whose children are involved with DHS. <i>Call Monday-Friday 9 am - 5 pm.</i>
ABC Hotline:	(215) 981-3756	Help with services/benefits for a disabled child. Can take calls in English or Spanish. <i>Call anytime.</i>
Welfare Law Line	(215) 227-6485 (English) (215) 981-3747 (espanol)	Help with welfare, Medical Assistance, child care, or other welfare problems. <i>Call anytime.</i>
Child Support Defendant Hotline	(215) 981-3838	Information for people being ordered to pay child support. <i>Call Monday-Friday 9am - noon.</i>
Don't Borrow Trouble Hotline	(215) 523-9520	Help for homeowners with first and second mortgages on their homes. <i>Call anytime.</i>

Here are some other places to get legal help :

Defender Association of Philadelphia (criminal cases)	(215) 568-3190
AIDS Law Project (all types of legal problems for people who are HIV+)	(215) 587-9377
Women's Law Project (discrimination against women, reproductive rights, family law advice)	(215) 928-9801
Women Against Abuse Legal Unit (protection from abuse & some custody cases for battered women)	(215) 686-7082
Lawyer Referral and Information Service (NOT a free service)	(215) 238-6333

Note to people who do not speak English: We are committed to serving you in your own language. If possible, please call in advance so that we can make sure an interpreter is available.

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