







MILWAUKEE FREE AND LOW-COST LEGAL AID PROVIDERS

I NEED HELP FILLING OUT FORMS

 <p>Milwaukee Justice Center 901 N. 9th St., Room G-9 (414) 278-2910 (info only) www.MilwaukeeJusticeCenter.org</p>	<p>Free forms assistance on family issues such as divorce, child support/placement/custody modifications, and name changes. Walk-in help available on a first come, first served basis in Room G9 of the courthouse Monday, Tuesday, and Friday mornings from 8:30 am - Noon and Tuesday afternoons from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm. Walk-in spaces fill up quickly. Please come at the beginning of a shift for the best chance to be seen. Remote appointments also available. To request a remote appointment, submit this brief form. If you cannot complete the form online, call 414-278-3965 to leave a voicemail requesting an appointment.</p>
 <p>Bankruptcy Pro Se Help Desk and Remote Clinic 517 E. Wisconsin Ave., Room 153 www.wieba.uscourts.gov/pro-se-help-desk</p>	<p>Assistance with filing chapter 7 bankruptcy cases for those who cannot afford an attorney. Provides initial consultations and assistance completing bankruptcy forms. In-person services offered Thursdays at the address indicated from 9-11AM. To request a remote appointment held via Zoom, submit this brief form. If you cannot complete the form online, call 414-278-3965 to leave a voicemail requesting an appointment.</p>
<p>Estate Planning Clinic Call to schedule an appointment - (414) 288-5378 http://law.marquette.edu/mvlc/estate-planning-clinic</p>	<p>Free basic estate planning services (will, living will, powers of attorney for healthcare and finances) to low-income clients and veterans. Remote appointments are available for those with email access and ability to have documents witnessed/notarized on own. In-person appointments also available. Two appointment slots are required for spouses/partners.</p>
<p>Restraining Order Clinic 901 North 9th Street, Room 711, (414) 278-5079 https://www.familypeacecenter.org/legal-resources</p>	<p>Assists with (1) completing and filing harassment, domestic violence, juvenile harassment, child abuse, and individual at-risk restraining orders, (2) creating safety plans, and (3) accessing community resources and referrals. Office is closed, but advocates are working remotely. Individuals seeking to file a temporary restraining order (TRO) must do so online. For assistance, call Sojourner at (414) 278-5079. Leave a message that includes full name and a safe call-back number. An advocate will call back to assist with filing a TRO online during the hours of 8 a.m. - 4 p.m., Monday-Friday.</p>
<p>State Bar of Wisconsin Appellate Help Desk (414) 671-9041 appellatehelp@gmail.com</p>	<p>Assists unrepresented parties in Wisconsin civil appeals on Tuesdays and Thursdays to answer questions on how state appellate courts work, provide info. on rules/procedures/terms/pending cases/deadlines, direction to forms, and checking forms for completeness.</p>

I NEED LEGAL ADVICE

 <p>Marquette Volunteer Legal Clinics (414) 288-6912 www.MarquetteLegalClinic.org</p>	<p>Free brief legal advice and referral on civil legal matters including but not limited to family law including divorce, child support, placement, custody; evictions and housing law; eviction records; debt/collections; small claims; small business; wills and powers of attorney; expungement and pardons; guardianship, probate, and more. No criminal or employment discrimination.</p> <p>Plans for Sept-Dec 2021 (Subject to change; see our website for the most recent information):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Remote Clinics (via Zoom or phone): Call 414-278-3965 to make an appointment or fill out this brief form • In-Person Clinics: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • For an appointment at the House of Peace, call 414-278-3956 - appointments required. See form linked above. • Walk-in with your mask to the United Community Center, 730 W. Washington St. No appointment needed. Wednesdays 5-7PM, sign in begins at 4:30PM. Immigration lawyers and Spanish interpretation available at this location only. • Veterans, walk-in with your mask to the Veterans Service Office, 6419 W. Greenfield Ave. No appointment needed: September 20, October 4 & 18, November 1 & 15, from 4-6PM, sign in begins at 3:30PM.
<p>Mobile Legal Clinic - Expungement & Pardons (414) 278-2046 expungemke@gmail.com</p>	<p>Clinic appointments on expungement, pardon and arrest removal options can be scheduled by calling 414-278-2046 or by completing this online form.</p>
<p>Marquette Nonprofit Legal Clinic (M-LINC) https://law.marquette.edu/mvlc/m-linc-clinic-nonprofits</p>	<p>Free brief legal advice for Wisconsin nonprofits and organizations seeking tax exempt status. Request an appointment via the request form on the website.</p>
 <p>Voces de la Frontera 1027 S. 5th St., (414) 643-1620 http://vdlf.org/</p>	<p>CAMINOS consultation legal clinics on Saturdays from 9-11AM are available via phone. Rotating between immigration, family, and workers' rights legal consultations. Call Worker Center Organizer at 414-643-1620 to schedule.</p>
 <p>Dryhootch (414) 988-9828 www.Dryhootch.org</p>	<p>CLOSED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.</p>
<p>ELCA Outreach Center (262) 652-5545 https://elcaoutreachcenter.org/</p>	<p>CLOSED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.</p>
<p>Wisconsin Free Legal Answers https://wi.freelegalanswers.org</p>	<p>A virtual legal advice clinic for qualifying users to post civil legal questions to volunteer attorneys at no cost.</p>
 <p>Eastern District of Wisconsin Bar Association Federal Legal Assistance Program https://edwba.org</p>	<p>Free legal guidance (up to two hours) in federal civil lawsuits in which you represent yourself, including: civil rights violations, Social Security, employment discrimination. This form must be submitted before you can receive assistance: No walk ins.</p>


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Free Services

 <p>Community Advocates 728 N. James Lovell St. (414) 449-4777 https://communityadvocates.net/</p>	<p>RENT ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE: up to 18 months of rent paid if loss of income due to COVID-19 is demonstrated. Free assistance to tenants needing repairs, families at risk of becoming homeless, tenants in need of a payment plan for security deposits, tenants needing mediation with landlords. Information, representation, referrals, and advocacy for individuals seeking Social Security disability benefits related to the Milwaukee County Interim Disability Assistance Program. Referrals for legal representation in SSD and SSI appeals. The Milwaukee Women's Center emergency shelter is operating. Tenant/landlord/housing questions can be directed to 414-270-4646 or renthelp@communityadvocates.net. During the temporary closure, please call 414-270-2941 for general help. For other services & contact info, please refer to the website.</p>
 <p>Disability Rights Wisconsin 6737 W. Washington St., #3230 (414) 773-4646 www.DisabilityRightsWI.org</p>	<p>Free services and referrals for individuals and families with disabilities including disability related abuse and neglect; employment/housing discrimination due to disability; special education advocacy; family care/IRIS and children's long-term care advocacy; SSI-Medicaid managed card advocacy; Medicare Part D assistance; and victim advocacy for people with disabilities that experience crime. See website for self-advocacy tools.</p>
 <p>Eviction Free MKE (414) 892-7368 https://www.evictionfreemke.org</p>	<p>Connects qualifying tenants (those at or below 200% of the Federal Poverty Level) facing eviction or having trouble paying rent with free legal assistance, including representation.</p>
 <p>Kids Matter Inc. 1850 N. Martin Luther King, #202 (414) 344-1220 www.KidsMatterInc.org</p>	<p>Free services and referrals for non-parents caring for a child with issues such as guardianship, power of attorney for minors, and denial of benefits. Phone intake open and new clients accepted. Call the main number at 414-344-1220 during normal business hours to complete an initial intake. Remains open for phone consults but has suspended the onsite guardianship clinic at Children's Court, all in-person meetings and therapy sessions, office and home visits. If someone has an immediate safety concern, they are encouraged to call 414-220-SAFE, the child abuse and neglect reporting line for Milwaukee County.</p>
 <p>Legal Aid Society of Milwaukee 728 N. James Lovell St., 3rd Fl. North (414) 727-5300 www.lasmilwaukee.com</p>	<p>Free legal representation in landlord-tenant cases, expungement, consumer law, municipal matters, unemployment insurance, bankruptcy, wills, powers of attorney, foreclosure, and tax issues. Clients can fill out the online intake form at www.lasmilwaukee.com or leave a voice message at (414) 727-5300.</p>
 <p>Legal Action of Wisconsin 633 W. Wisconsin Avenue, Suite 2000 (414) 278-7722 or 855-947-2529 www.legalaction.org</p>	<p>Our current services include free representation for low-income people related to: maintaining safe and affordable housing; removing barriers to employment; resolving consumer finance issues; accessing and maintaining public benefits; addressing children and family law matters; securing victim support and protection; and providing services to special populations like veterans, seniors, farmworkers, domestic violence survivors, and those recently released from prison. Call (414) 278-7722 or 855-947-2529 Monday to Friday, 9:00-5:00PM. For assistance with tax matters call (414) 274-3400; leave a message with name/number.</p>
<p>Legal Action of Wisconsin Eviction Defense Project Milwaukee County Courthouse 901 N. 9th Street, Room 411</p>	<p>Legal Action's Eviction Defense Project is operating remotely and currently has the capacity to provide brief advice where an eviction has not yet been filed and representation on cases where the eviction is already pending. To request representation from the EDP, simply call Legal Action at 414-278-7722. When calling, it is helpful to have any court papers that you have received nearby.</p>
 <p>LOTUS Legal Clinic 2515 N. 124th Street, Suite 201 (414) 885-1469 https://www.lotuslegal.org/</p>	<p>Free legal counsel to survivors of gender-based violence and human trafficking regardless of income. Services in English and Spanish. As of June 1, virtual and remote work is still preferable, if possible, but the office is open, requiring masks for all and following CDC and health professionals' guidelines for necessary client/partner meetings; all other operations/intakes are fully staffed and operating remotely. Legal staff available for any court appearances.</p>
 <p>Vivent Health (formerly ARCW) 820 N. Plankinton Ave. (414) 225-1578 or (800) 359-9272 www.viventhealth.org</p>	<p>Free representation and counseling to people with HIV/AIDS on a wide array of legal matters, including HIV-related confidentiality, disability benefits appeals, powers of attorney, simple wills, HIV-related discrimination, and landlord-tenant matters. Call for intake information.</p>

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Low Cost or Sliding Scale Services

 <p>Metro Milwaukee Mediation Services (414) 939-8800 www.mediatemilwaukee.com</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Free landlord/tenant mediation available by phone for both matters filed in Milwaukee County eviction court and those not yet filed. Call or email apply@mediatemilwaukee.com. • Foreclosure mediation available by phone for matters filed in participating county courts (see website for more information). Applications are available online. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ No cost to request mediation or to work with a housing counselor. ○ Both parties must pay a one-time fee before the case is scheduled for mediation.
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<p>Small Claims Court Mediation Clinic (414) 376-8025 mulsmmediationclinic@gmail.com</p>	<p>Free small claims mediation (for money judgments—not eviction cases) available by phone or Zoom for matters filed in Milwaukee County Small Claims Court or referred from Milwaukee County Civil Court. Mediation sessions are scheduled for Monday mornings starting at 9:00AM.</p>
 <p>Civitas Law Group 2618 W. Greenfield Ave. (414)949-5266 www.clgmke.org</p>	<p>Low-cost legal representation for family law. Contact via the website to make an appointment.</p>
<p>Nonprofit Legal Referral Services (414) 435-0636</p>	<p>Low-cost legal representation in family law. Potential clients should call to have their eligibility screened and for intake information.</p>
 <p>Centro Legal 611 W. National Ave., 103 (414) 384-7900 www.centrolegalwisconsin.org</p>	<p>Low-cost legal representation in family law and criminal misdemeanor cases. Services in English and Spanish. Staff is working remotely and offering free family law advice and intake via phone appointment. Call main office line and leave a voicemail to be scheduled for an appointment.</p>
 <p>Catholic Charities Legal Services for Immigrants 1233 South 45th Street (414) 643-8570 https://risccmke.org/</p>	<p>Low-cost representation for immigrants in the ten counties of the Archdiocese of Milwaukee related to Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA), affirmative and defensive asylum, deportation defense for both lawful permanent residents and non-lawful permanent residents, family-based immigration, special juvenile status for abused and abandoned children, and "U" nonimmigrant status for victims of crime and the Violence Against Women Act for certain domestic violence victims. Free one-on-one citizenship tutoring. Services in English and Spanish. Call for an appointment.</p>
<p>International Institute of Wisconsin 1110 N. Old World Third St., Ste. 420 (414) 225-6220 http://www.iwisconsin.org/</p>	<p>The Institute has a multi-lingual staff that assists individuals and families by providing a variety of low-cost legal immigration and citizenship services, such as adjustment of status for refugees and non-refugees, travel documents, petitions for family members and naturalization. All departments are working remotely. Immigration continues to process cases but is not doing intake for new cases unless it is an emergency. Refugee Resettlement is still providing services and will do in person visits to clients for emergencies only. Translation and Interpretation can still process requests. Please call 414-225-6220 and leave a message and a staff member will get back to you in a timely manner.</p>
 <p>Lagmann Inc. 230 W. Wells St., #201 (414) 755-3419 www.Lagmann.org</p>	<p>Low-cost sliding-scale representation in adult and minor guardianships, landlord/tenant, probate, traffic/municipal, criminal defense, juvenile law (including CHIPS, TPR), and wills/powers of attorney. Call for intake information.</p>

I NEED TO HIRE AND CAN PAY FOR A LAWYER

The Milwaukee and State Bar Associations offer referral services. When receiving a referral from one of these services, clients are offered an initial consult of ½ hour for no more than \$20.00. After that initial consultation, the hourly or flat fee is determined by the attorney.

- [Milwaukee Bar Association Lawyer Referral and Information Service](#): (414) 274-6768 or lris@milwbar.org; Monday to Friday, 8:30–4:30PM; <https://findmilwaukeeelawyers.org/>
- [State Bar of Wisconsin Lawyer Referral and Information Service](#): (800) 362-9082

State Bar Association Modest Means Panel (phone: 888-529-7599) is designed to assist people whose income is too high to qualify for free legal services, but too low to pay a lawyer's standard rate. The panel assists on **bankruptcy, foreclosure defense, criminal/traffic/municipal, consumer, small claims, power of attorney/wills, guardianship, and family law** cases. For more information and to see if you qualify for these reduced fee services, fill out the questionnaire on their website: <https://www.wisbar.org/forpublic/ineedalawyer/pages/modest-means.aspx>