

Greater MN Legal Resources Cheat Sheet

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Dear Community Colleague:

This “Legal Resources Cheat Sheet” is our attempt at identifying various Greater Minnesota legal resources, and providing the listings by service area (bankruptcy, family law, landlord/tenant, etc.). Additionally, a glossary of frequent abbreviations in the cheat sheet can be found in the right column. This list is not exhaustive, and we always recommend verifying program information by telephone or website.

The accompanying “pyramid” diagram aptly describes the challenges facing most low and moderate-income people with legal needs. The painful reality is that a large number of people cannot afford traditional full representation legal services (e.g. where an attorney handles a legal matter from start to finish). For example, in Hennepin County in 2012, neither party was represented by counsel in 95 percent of child custody cases, 83 percent of divorces and 66 percent of child support cases. Moreover, in 2012 there was only 1 legal services network attorney for every 4,453 eligible clients in Minnesota, compared to 1 private practice attorney for every 226 Minnesotans.

The mission of Call for Justice, LLC is to connect low-income people with existing legal resources in partnership with United Way 2-1-1 and others. Remember that “2-1-1” is a number for good legal referrals that may be coupled with good social services referrals. Call for Justice also facilitates collaborations that connect low-income people with legal resources; contact us if your organization seeks to form a sustaining relationship with lawyers or legal providers.

IMPORTANT: This list is not exhaustive, and additionally, some of the information contained therein may be inaccurate. We thus recommend verifying program information by telephone or website. Additionally, Call for Justice does not endorse any programs found on this list—this is merely a listing of services that are available.

If you provide low fee or pro bono services to low-income communities in Greater Minnesota and wish to be added to this compilation, please contact Katie at katie.dickinson@callforjustice.org with a description of your program and the qualifications for its addition. We will then follow up with you.

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The “Pyramid” of Legal Resources



Glossary

- Brief Advice:** Attorneys give legal advice or help on specific legal matters
FPG: Federal Poverty Guidelines (Adjusted annually)
Full Representation: Attorneys representing from beginning to end of a legal matter
HCBA: Hennepin County Bar Association
Low bono: Reduced-fee legal services (also called “low fee”)
MSBA: Minnesota State Bar Association
OFP: Order for Protection
Pro bono: Voluntary, free legal services
Pro se: Representing one’s self in court without an attorney
RCBA: Ramsey County Bar Association
VLN: Volunteer Lawyers Network

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Counties Served	Purpose	Eligibility Guidelines	Hours	Location	Contact	
Administrative Law (Licensing/Education Issues)						
Volunteer Lawyers Network (VLN)	State-wide Coverage	FULL REPRESENTATION For issues before an Administrative Law Judge from the Office of Administrative Hearings. Hearing must be at Minneapolis or St. Paul office of the OAH, but client may reside anywhere in the state. Issues include, but not limited to, day care and foster care licensing, professional license suspension, determinations of maltreatment of a child or vulnerable adult, crime victim reparation board denials, and special education issues.	125% FPG; 300% phone advice	M/W/TH 9am-1pm	600 Nicollet Mall, Suite 390A Minneapolis, MN 55402	612-752-6677
Agriculture/Farm Law						
Southern MN Regional Legal Services	Ramsey, Washington, Scott, Carver, & 28 southern counties	FULL REPRESENTATION & BRIEF LEGAL ADVICE Staff and volunteer attorneys provide full representation, brief legal services, advice and referrals for farm families who are faced with the prospect of losing their homestead. On staff translators for Hmong, Khmer, Lao, Russian, Somali, Spanish and Thai.	125% FPG	9:00am-11:45am & 1-3pm	55 East 5th Street #400 St. Paul, MN 55101	1-888-575-2954
Minnesota Family Farm Law Project (MFFLP) and Farmers Legal Action Group (FLAG)	State-wide Coverage	FULL REPRESENTATION & BRIEF LEGAL ADVICE Legal services for family farmers and their communities. Issues include contracts, estate planning, food safety, alternative energy, civil rights, credit, farm bill, labor and employment, tax and more.	Income based	8:00am - 4:30pm	<u>St. Paul</u> 6 West Fifth Street, Suite 650 St. Paul, MN 55102 <u>Mankato/SMRLS</u> 12 Civic Center Plaza, P.O Box 3304 Suite 3000 Mankato, MN 556002	<u>MFFLP</u> : 651-223-5333 <u>FLAG</u> : 651-223-5400 <u>Mankato</u> : 507-387-1211
Appeals						
General Appeals Clinic	Twin Cities Metro	BRIEF ADVICE ONLY Provides brief advice for self-represented litigants to understand Appeal Court rules and procedures. Answers on these topics; deadlines, what papers to file, fee waivers, motions, appellate, briefs, serving the other party, and what the court will review. This is a walk in clinic, no appointments. Limited telephone advice for those unable to travel.	No Income Restrictions	3rd Thurs: 2:30pm-4:30pm	Minnesota State Law Library Room G25, MN Judicial Ctr. 25 Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. St. Paul, MN 55155	651-296-2775



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Arts & Entertainment Law

Springboard for the Arts	State-wide Coverage	TELEPHONE LEGAL ADVICE, BRIEF LEGAL ADVICE & SOME FULL REPRESENTATION For topics including business organization, contracts, artist tax audits, copyright and trademark infringement, artist immigration, music royalties, and leasing and buying property. Callers are offered 30-minute phone consultations with entertainment attorneys. Legal workshops and in-person consultation clinics offered in the fall and spring. Check website for dates and times. Free, full-representation offered on a limited basis. Fill out application online.	180% FPG	Times vary depending on requested program. Office and Resource Center Hours 9:30 - 5:00.	<u>St. Paul</u> 308 Prince Street Suite 270 St. Paul, 55101; <u>Fergus Falls</u> 135 South Mill Street Fergus Falls, MN 56537 (Legal information is based out of St. Paul office)	<u>St Paul:</u> 651-292-4381 <u>Fergus Falls:</u> 218-998-4037
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Bankruptcy

Bankruptcy Advice Clinics (St. Paul & Minneapolis)	State-wide Coverage	BRIEF LEGAL ADVICE/WALK-IN A free, walk-in service for low-income Minnesota residents contemplating bankruptcy, as well as pro se debtors and creditors already involved in pending bankruptcy cases and adversary proceedings. Persons can receive up to 15 minutes of bankruptcy-related advice from lawyers. Clinics alternate between courthouses. (see website for dates and times http://www.mnb.uscourts.gov/bankruptcy-advice-clinics) The Clerk's office also offers self-help services.	300% FPG	Thursdays 11am-1pm 18 Time Slots St. Paul & Mpls	<u>Minneapolis:</u> U.S. Courthouse 300 S 4th St. <u>St. Paul:</u> Warren E. Burger Federal Building U.S. Courthouse 316 N. Robert St. (2nd floor)	612-752-6677 (VLN)
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Consumer Credit Advocacy Project in Duluth	State-wide Coverage	BRIEF LEGAL ADVICE/WALK IN The Clinic is a free service under which low income Minnesota residents contemplating bankruptcy, as well as pro se debtors and creditors already involved in pending bankruptcy cases and adversary proceedings, can receive 15 minutes of basic information and bankruptcy-related advice from members of the bar. It's held on the second Thursday of the month, starting at 1pm, on a first come first serve basis, but it's better to register.		Call to register 11am and 2pm Monday through Friday	Volunteer Attorney Program 314 W Superior St #1000 Duluth, MN 55802	218-723-4005
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Bankruptcy Phone Advice (thru VLN)	State-wide Coverage	BRIEF LEGAL ADVICE ONLY - TELEPHONE Callers are offered 15 minutes of phone advice with volunteer attorneys for Chapter 7 or 13 consumer bankruptcy issues. Call VLN for screening and appointment.	300% FPG	M/W/TH 9am-1pm	600 Nicollet Mall Minneapolis, MN 55402	612-752-6677 (VLN)
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Volunteer Lawyers Network (VLN)	Minneapolis or St. Paul (including Southern half of Minnesota)	FULL REPRESENTATION In Chapter 7 bankruptcy filings. Applicants being/eligible for garnishment are given priority. Client must be eligible to and chose to file his or her case in the Minneapolis or St. Paul Bankruptcy Clerk's Office. This includes most residents residing in the southern half of Minnesota. Call VLN or online intake at www.vlnmn.org/intake/	200% FPG	M/W/TH 9am-1pm	600 Nicollet Mall, Suite 390A Minneapolis, MN 55402	612-752-6677 (VLN)
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Legal Assistance of Olmsted County	Olmsted County (only)	FULL REPRESENTATION & BRIEF LEGAL ADVICE Help with bankruptcy issues. LAOC never offers legal advice over the phone and will not offer until you fill out an application. They only help people who live in Olmsted County and have a legal matter before Olmstead County Courts. See website for application and clinic dates. http://www.laocmn.com/services/eligibility-application/ http://www.laocmn.com/calendar/	125% FPG, if emergency sometimes 200%	Monday - Friday 9:00am - 5:00pm	1700 N. Broadway, Suite 124 Rochester, MN 55906 application online	Office: 507-287-2036 <u>Landlord/Tenant Hotline 24/7 (507)-529-4111</u>
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Business Law

LegalCORPS	State-wide Coverage	FULL REPRESENTATION & BRIEF LEGAL ADVICE/CLINICS LegalCORPS provides free assistance in non-litigation business law matters to low-income owners of small business, small nonprofit organizations, and low income innovators in Minnesota. Up to 30 minutes of free advice. Clinic locations are listed on website, and video conferences and phone assistance are offered to greater MN areas. Apply for full representation on website. Application fee is \$50, which will be returned if they cannot take your case. BRIEF PHONE ADVICE You can request an application/registration form for this either by e-mail at info@legalcorps.org or by calling.	<u>Small Businesses</u> 200% <u>Inventor</u> generally follow poverty guidelines <u>Nonprofit</u> incorporated and received tax-exempt status from the IRS	Schedule for a session	600 Nicollet Mall, Suite 380 Minneapolis, MN 55408 http://legalcorps.org	612-206-0780
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Civil Rights

Legal Assistance to Minnesota Prisoners (LAMP)	State-wide Coverage	BRIEF LEGAL ADVICE Provides civil and family law services to male & females incarcerated in MN correctional facilities. They cannot provide services to federal prisoners or those out of state, or handle appeals contesting convictions.	Inmate in MN correctional facilities.	Call Monday - Friday 8:30am - 5:00 pm	William Mitchell College of Law 875 Summit Avenue St. Paul, MN 55105	(651) 290-6413
Southern MN Regional Legal Services	Ramsey, Washington, Scott, Carver & 28 Southern Counties	FULL REPRESENTATION & BRIEF LEGAL ADVICE Staff and volunteer attorneys provide full representation, brief legal services, advice and referrals on discrimination in housing and public education and discrimination based on disabilities. On staff translators for Hmong, Khmer, Lao, Russian, Somali, Spanish and Thai.	125% FPG	9:00am-Noon & 1-3pm	55 East 5th Street #400 St. Paul, MN 55101	888-575-2954

Consumer Law

Legal Services Northwest Minnesota	See "Legal Aid" page 16 for listed counties	FULL REPRESENTATION & BRIEF LEGAL ADVICE Free legal advice, assistance, and representation to low income people who live in Northwestern Minnesota in a variety of civil (non-criminal) legal matters, including family law, housing, consumer issues, and many other types of legal matters.	125% FPG	Takes calls 9:00am-3:00pm or apply online lsnmlaw.org	See "Legal Aid" page 16 for listed offices	
Mid-MN Legal Aid	See "Legal Aid" page 14-15 for listed counties	FULL REPRESENTATION & BRIEF LEGAL ADVICE CMLS offers assistance to families and individuals facing potential utility terminations or other threats to basic income needs.	125% FPG	<u>Office Hours</u> Monday-Friday 8:30am-4:30pm <u>Intake Line</u> 9:30am-11:30am or 1:30pm - 3:30pm.	See "Legal Aid" page 14-15 for listed offices	

Criminal Defense



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Criminal Expungement

Legal Assistance of Olmsted County	Olmsted County (only)	CLINIC Bi-monthly clinics offered. Begins with a class-room style presentation, which includes a review of the statute and procedures and tips for completing the paperwork, followed by the opportunity to discuss your case privately with the attorney. Go to http://www.laocmn.com/calendar/ to see calendar.	125% FPG, if emergency sometimes 200%	Monday - Friday 9:00am - 5:00pm	1700 N. Broadway, Suite 124 Rochester, MN 55906 application online	Office: 507-287-2036
Volunteer Lawyer Network	State-wide Coverage	FULL REPRESENTATION & BRIEF LEGAL ADVICE Assisted pro se services consists of a workshop where a paralegal and attorney draft a petition and filing materials for the client. Workshop staff takes care of services of the paperwork. Cannot assist if client has an open case or wants to expunge a DUI or criminal sexual conduct offense. (Full Representation only in Anoka, Carver, Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey, Scott and Washington)	125% FPG; 300% (Brief services and advice)	Clinic: 2pm look up dates on VLN website. Call: M/W/TH 9am-1pm	Minneapolis (1st Tues of the month): MPS Urban League, 2100 Plymouth Avenue North, Minneapolis, MN 55411 Anoka: Rum River Library 4201 6th Avenue Anoka, MN 55030 Scott County: Scott County Courthouse 200 4th Avenue West Shakopee, MN 55379	612-752-6677

Debtor/Creditor

Debtor Lawsuit Answering Service (thru VLN)	State-wide Coverage	BRIEF LEGAL ADVICE VLN connects debtors with attorneys to answer debt collection lawsuits. Debtors must have an email account and be within the deadline for answering the lawsuit. Also for callers who are confused about their rights as a debtor, or are wanting advice about whether or not to file for bankruptcy. Client cannot reside in Hennepin County unless special circumstances apply, and must have access to email, some way to scan or fax documents, and prior to expiration of 20-day answer period.	300% FPG	11am-1pm Bi-Weekly 18 Time Slots St. Paul & Mpls	600 Nicollet Mall Minneapolis, MN 55402	612-752-6677
Volunteer Lawyers Network (VLN)	State-wide Coverage	LETTERS TO CREDITORS VLN will refer to local aid programs providing this service. Attorneys write letters to client's creditors instructing creditor to stop contacting the client. This service is primarily for clients receiving income that cannot be garnished by a creditor such as SS or when client is receiving a form of public assistance (MFIP, Medical Assistance, etc.). Online intake form at vlmn.org/intake	125% FPG	M/W/TH 9am-1pm	Online intake form at vlmn.org/intake	612-752-6677 (VLN)



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Legal Aid Services of Northeastern Minnesota	See "Legal Aid" page 15 for listed counties	FULL REPRESENTATION & BRIEF LEGAL ADVICE Landlord/tenant disputes, mortgage foreclosures, housing code violations, harassment by bill collectors, garnishment, custody, divorce, visitation, family problems, and victims of domestic abuse.	125% FPG	8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday (Closed for lunch 12-1.)	See "Legal Aid" page 15 for listed offices
Southern MN Regional Legal Services	Ramsey, Washington, Scott, Carver & 28 Southern Counties	FULL REPRESENTATION & BRIEF LEGAL ADVICE Staff and volunteer attorneys provide full representation, brief legal services, advice and referrals on issues with credit and creditors, insurance, defective goods, loans, consumer contracts, letters to creditors and garnishment. On staff translators for Hmong, Khmer, Lao, Russian, Somali, Spanish and Thai.	125% FPG	9:00am-Noon & 1-3pm	55 East 5th Street #400 St. Paul, MN 55101 888-575-2954
Disability Law					
The ARC of Minnesota	State-wide Coverage	NO LEGAL ADVICE The Arc serves people of all ages with many kinds of developmental disabilities. Workshops, information, one-on-one advocacy for families and their children with developmental disabilities, public policy advocacy, and support services are provided across the state by local chapters or The Arc Minnesota.	Individual with disability	Mon-Fri 9am-5pm	800 Transfer Road, Suit 7A St. Paul, MN 55114 800-582-5256
The Autism Society of Minnesota	State-wide Coverage	NO LEGAL ADVICE The Autism Society of Minnesota (AuSM) is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization committed to education, support and advocacy designed to enhance the lives of those affected by autism from birth through retirement. Can also refer you to other services.	Individuals with autism		2380 Wycliff Street #102 St. Paul, MN 55114 612-647-1083
PACER Center	State-wide Coverage	NO LEGAL ADVICE PACER Center is a parent training and information center for families of children and youth with all disabilities from birth to young adults. Located in Minneapolis, it serves families across the nation, as well as those in Minnesota. Parents can find publications, workshops, and other resources to help make decisions about education, vocational training, employment, and other services for their children with disabilities.	Individual with disability	Mon-Fri 8am-5pm	8161 Normandale Blvd. Bloomington, MN 55437 952-838-9000 800-537-2237



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Disability Law Center (thru MMLA)	State-wide Coverage	<p>FULL REPRESENTATION The Minnesota Disability Law Center provides free legal assistance to individuals on civil legal matters regarding their disabilities. Clients are usually supported in the areas of abuse & neglect, self-determination, community-based services, accessibility & discrimination, special education, and employment. Will provide phone advice to persons on 72-hour holds. Does not provide individual representation in criminal defense, guardianship, commitment, child protection, parental fee disputes, SS Disability appeals, and service provider claims</p>	All individuals w/ disabilities are eligible to receive help. Service based on priority of need.	Office Hours Monday-Friday 8:30am-4:30pm	430 1st Ave N #300 Minneapolis, MN 55401	800-292-4150
Disability LinkAge Line	State-wide Coverage	<p>NO LEGAL ADVICE Information and referral service for people with disabilities, including housing and benefits referrals, home modifications, assistive technology, personal assistance services, transition services, accessible housing, employment, social activities and disability rights.</p>	No restrictions	Monday-Friday 8:30am-5:00pm	Phone service, provided by Minnesota Department of Human Services	1-800-333-2466
Ombudsman Office and Services	State-wide Coverage	<p>NO LEGAL ADVICE Has trained advocates who intervene in disputes involving various underrepresented populations--the disabled, those with mental disabilities, and persons living in nursing homes or group settings. There are no lawyers on staff, but if legal needs arise, they will make referrals to various legal nonprofit providers (usually to the Volunteer Lawyers Network or to the Disability Law Center)</p>	No income restrictions	Office hours vary by County	Offices vary by County	800-657-3591 (Long-Term/Senior Care) or 800-657-3729 (Mental Health and Development Disabilities)
Domestic Abuse						
Battered Women's Legal Advocacy Project	State-wide Coverage	<p>TELEPHONE LEGAL ADVICE The BWLAP offers legal advice to domestic abuse survivors and their advocates. The project is all telephone-based, and they do not offer in-person representation or walk-in service. BWLAP prefers to work with survivor advocates rather than survivors themselves.</p>	No Initial Financial Screening	Monday-Friday 9am-4pm	No Office Space	612-343-9842 www.bwlap.org
Cornerstone	Bloomington, Brooklyn Center, Brooklyn Park, Crystal, Edina, Eden Prairie, Maple Grove, St. Louis Park, Richfield & Robbinsdale.	<p>DOMESTIC ABUSE HOTLINE & LEGAL RESOURCES - NO LEGAL ADVICE Cornerstone provides legal assistance for Orders for Protection, and has both family court advocates and criminal justice intervention advocates. Additionally, they offer a 24/7 crisis hotline and provide safe housing to those in immediate need regardless of if they are from the nine served locations.</p>	No Initial Financial Screening	24/7 Hotline Business Hours: Monday-Friday 9am-5pm	Cornerstone Office Sheila Wellstone Center 1000 E 80th St. Bloomington, MN 55420	1-866-223-1111 (Crisis Hotline) or 952-884-0376 (General)



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Home Free	State-wide Coverage	EMERGENCY HOUSING & SUPPORT SERVICES Women's Advocates work with survivors as they identify needs, set goals, and access services. Advocates assist survivors in obtaining legal remedies, housing, financial resources, medical care, and transportation and accompaniment to appointments as needed. Home Free also offers a number of education and support groups. Does not provide legal advice.	No income requirements	24/7 Shelter	Missions Inc. Programs 3409 E Medicine Lake Blvd. Plymouth, MN 55441	763-559-4945 (Crisis Hotline) or 763.559.9008 (General)
Southern MN Regional Legal Services	Ramsey, Washington, Scott, Carver & 28 Southern Counties	FULL REPRESENTATION & BRIEF LEGAL ADVICE Staff and volunteer attorneys provide full representation, brief legal services, advice and referrals for survivors of domestic abuse on orders for protection and other matters involving domestic abuse. On staff translators for Hmong, Khmer, Lao, Russian, Somali, Spanish and Thai.	125% FPG	9:00am-Noon & 1-3pm	55 East 5th Street #400 St. Paul, MN 55101	888-575-2954
Legal Assistance of Olmsted County	Olmsted County (only)	FULL REPRESENTATION & BRIEF LEGAL ADVICE Help with housing, family law matters (dissolution custody, and parental time), orders for protection, domestic abuse, housing law, and bankruptcy. LAOC never offers legal advice over the phone and will not offer until you fill out an application. They only help people who live in Olmsted County and have a legal matter before Olmsted County Courts.	125% FPG, if emergency sometimes 200%	Monday - Friday 9:00am - 5:00pm	1700 N. Broadway, Suite 124 Rochester, MN 55906 application online	Office: 507-287-2036 Landlord/Tenant Hotline 24/7 (507)-529-4111
Legal Aid Services of Northeastern Minnesota	See "Legal Aid" page 15 for listed counties	FULL REPRESENTATION & BRIEF LEGAL ADVICE Landlord/tenant disputes, mortgage foreclosures, housing code violations, harassment by bill collectors, garnishment, custody, divorce, visitation, family problems, and victims of domestic abuse.		8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday (Closed for lunch 12-1)	8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday (Closed for lunch 12-1)	See "Legal Aid" page 15 for listed offices



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Employment Law

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Volunteer Lawyers Network	State-wide Coverage	BRIEF LEGAL ADVICE ONLY VLN will provide telephone advice on employment rights. Calls are scheduled through VLN. Cannot answer questions relating to workers' compensation.	300% advice in 7 county metro; 200% statewide	M/W/TH 9am-1pm	Telephone Service	612-752-6677

Family Law

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Mid-MN Legal Aid	See "Legal Aid" Page for listed counties	FULL REPRESENTATION CMLS will represent seniors in 3rd party custody cases and non-children divorces where there's a language barrier or domestic abuse or displaced homemaker issue and the client needs assistance to obtain income for self-support.	125% FPG	<u>Office Hours</u> Monday-Friday 8:30am-4:30pm <u>Intake Line</u> 9:30am-11:30am or 1:30pm - 3:30pm.	See "Legal Aid" page 14-15 for listed offices	
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Foreclosure/Real Estate

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Southern MN Regional Legal Services	Ramsey, Washington, Scott, Carver & 28 Southern Counties	FULL REPRESENTATION & BRIEF LEGAL ADVICE Staff and volunteer attorneys provide full representation, brief legal services, advice and referrals on foreclosure, contract for deed cancellations, utility shutoffs and other housing issues. On staff translators for Hmong, Khmer, Lao, Russian, Somali, Spanish and Thai.	125% FPG	9:00am-Noon & 1-3pm	55 East 5th Street #400 St. Paul, MN 55101	888-575-2954
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Foster Care

Children's Law Center of MN	Ramsey, Hennepin, Anoka, Dakota, and Isanti Counties and statewide	FULL REPRESENTATION & BRIEF LEGAL ADVICE Advocacy for children in foster care and child protection, including direct representation statewide consultation and support services for pro bono attorneys. Volunteer and staff attorneys represent children in foster care ages 10-19 with many issues including: court reviews, appropriate placement, permanency planning, transition to adulthood, sibling contact agreements, health care, education and financial benefits	For children in foster care	Monday - Friday 8am - 5pm		651-644-4438
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Government Benefits

Legal Aid Services of Northeastern Minnesota	See "Legal Aid" page 15 for listed counties	FULL REPRESENTATION & BRIEF LEGAL ADVICE Landlord/tenant disputes, mortgage foreclosures, housing code violations, harassment by bill collectors, garnishment, custody, divorce, visitation, family problems, and victims of domestic abuse.	125% FPG	8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday (Closed for lunch 12-1)	See "Legal Aid" page 15 for listed offices
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Mid-MN Legal Aid	See "Legal Aid" page 14-15 for listed counties	FULL REPRESENTATION Priority is given to cases which establish or preserve the basic income or families, or individuals with no alternative resources. Government benefits may include AFDC, MFIP, SSI, Social Security, Disability benefits, Medical Assistance, and Food Stamps	125% FPG		<u>Office Hours</u> Monday-Friday 8:30am-4:30pm <u>Intake Line</u> 9:30am-11:30am or 1:30pm - 3:30pm.	See "Legal Aid" page 14-15 for listed offices
Legal Services Northwest Minnesota	See "Legal Aid" page 16 for listed counties	FULL REPRESENTATION & BRIEF LEGAL ADVICE Free legal advice, assistance, and representation to low income people who live in Northwestern Minnesota in a variety of civil (non-criminal) legal matters, including family law, housing, consumer issues, and many other types of legal matters.	125% FPG		Takes calls 9:00am-3:00pm or apply online lsnmllaw.org	See "Legal Aid" page 16 for listed offices
Health Law						
Cancer Legal Line	State-wide Coverage	FULL REPRESENTATION & BRIEF LEGAL ADVICE (issue dependent) Cancer Legal Line provides legal care to Minnesotans affected by cancer (patients, survivors, and their loved ones) in the areas of insurance, housing and financial needs, employment, estate planning, and SSDI. Brief advice can be done over the phone or in person.	No income requirements for brief advice; Full rep. up to 300% FPG for estate planning	Monday-Thursday 9:00am-3:30pm	1380 Energy Lane, Saint Paul, MN 55108	651-917-9000
Minnesota Aids Project	State-wide Coverage	FULL REPRESENTATION & BRIEF LEGAL ADVICE Legal Assistance for HIV related legal matters included estate planning, discrimination, social security, immigration, and employment related concerns.	HIV positive and below 300% FPG	Monday - Friday 9:00am - 5:00pm	1400 Park Avenue Minneapolis, MN 55402	612-272-2437 (Metro) 800-248-2437 (toll free)
Immigration Law/Asylum						
Immigration--Migrant Workers (Southern MN Regional Legal Services)	MN State-wide, Red River Valley ND	FULL REPRESENTATION & BRIEF LEGAL ADVICE Staff attorneys provide full representation, brief services, advice and referrals to low-income migrant farm workers.	125% FPG	9:00am-Noon & 1-3pm	450 N Syndicate St. #285 St Paul, MN 55104	651-291-2837 (New Clients Only) or 800-652-9733 (Out of State Clients)
Minnesota Detention Project	State-wide Coverage	SOME LEGAL ADVICE For people facing removal who are detained and either haven't been able to pay their bond yet or aren't eligible for a bond. Through this program, all immigration detainees who are in removal proceedings and who are unrepresented have the opportunity to have their case reviewed with a lawyer (or a supervised law student) and be represented at their initial hearing.	Those facing removal or who are currently detained (awaiting an initial hearing)	Occurs automatically; there is no need to call the Advocates' office. Attorneys will be at court.	Courthouse Location: 2901 Metro Drive, Bloomington, MN 55425	Occurs Automatically.
Mid-MN Legal Aid Immigration Law Project	See "Legal Aid" page 14-15 for listed counties	FULL REPRESENTATION & BRIEF LEGAL ADVICE Provides direct legal services to immigrants to address the critical needs of eligible immigrant clients. Attorneys will assist with forms, filing with USCIS, representation before the Immigration Court, representation before the Board of Immigration Appeals, and Federal Court appeals. Languages spoken includes: Arabic, English, Hmong, Oromo, Russian, Somali, Spanish, and Amharic.	125 % FPG		<u>Office Hours</u> Monday-Friday 8:30am-4:30pm <u>Intake Line</u> 9:30am-11:30am or 1:30pm - 3:30pm.	See "Legal Aid" page 14-15 for listed offices



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The Advocates for Human Rights	State-wide Coverage	FULL REPRESENTATION For low-income asylum seekers, detained immigrants, trafficked for either labor or sex, suffered harm while in detention or unfairly treated. If you live outside the metro intake can be done over the phone.		8:30am - 5:00pm	330 Second Avenue South, Suite 800 Minneapolis, MN 55401	Clients: 612-341-9845 Office: 612-341-3302
United Cambodian Association in Minnesota	State-wide Coverage	SOME LEGAL ADVICE Serves Cambodian, Hmong, Bhutanese, and other Southeast Asians clients. Provides bilingual and bicultural assistance to low-income refugees and immigrants for legal and immigration matters including green card/citizenship applications, family reunification, and public benefits applications.		Monday-Friday 8:30am-5pm	1385 Mendota Heights Rd #500 Mendota Heights, MN 55120	651-222-3299 ext.: 704
Landlord/Tenant						
HOME Line	State-wide Coverage	FULL REPRESENTATION & BRIEF LEGAL ADVICE The hotline is free and available to all tenants, regardless of income. Can help with questions on repairs, evictions, security deposits and insect infestations. Tenant/landlord law advice includes explanations of applicable laws, procedures for legal options, providing form letters, referrals to local housing inspectors, etc.	Free advice. More extensive legal advice is on a sliding -scale fee model	Tenant Hotline: Mon-Thurs 9am-6pm Friday 9am-3pm	www.homelinemn.org	Metro Area: 612-728-5767 Greater MN; 1-866-866-3546
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Legal Aid Services of Northeastern Minnesota	See "Legal Aid" page 15 for listed counties	FULL REPRESENTATION & BRIEF LEGAL ADVICE Landlord/tenant disputes, mortgage foreclosures, housing code violations, harassment by bill collectors, garnishment, custody, divorce, visitation, family problems, and victims of domestic abuse.	125 % FPG	8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday (Closed for lunch 12-1)		See "Legal Aid" page 15 for listed offices
Mid-MN Legal Aid	See "Legal Aid" page 14-15 for listed counties	FULL REPRESENTATION Housing cases considered by CMLS involve families or individuals faced with homelessness or deprivation of basic housing needs. CMLS considers cases involving private housing problems including evictions, repair problems, foreclosures, and contract for deed cancellations.	125 % FPG	<u>Office Hours</u> Monday-Friday 8:30am-4:30pm <u>Intake Line</u> 9:30am-11:30am or 1:30pm - 3:30pm.		See "Legal Aid" page 14-15 for listed offices



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Legal Assistance of Olmsted County	Olmsted County (only)	<p>FULL REPRESENTATION & BRIEF LEGAL ADVICE: Help with housing issues. They only help people who live in Olmsted County and have a legal matter before Olmstead County Courts. LAOC staff attorneys offer free legal advice on landlord-tenant matters from 9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. every Friday at LAOC's offices. Depending on the specific issues and facts, attorneys may offer brief advise, help a tenant negotiate with a landlord, or attend court hearings.</p>	125% FPG, if emergency sometimes 200%	Monday - Friday 9:00am - 5:00pm	1700 N. Broadway, Suite 124 Rochester, MN 55906 application online	<p><u>Office:</u> 507-287-2036</p> <p><u>Landlord/Tenant Hotline</u> 24/7 (507)-529-4111</p>
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Southern MN Regional Legal Services	Ramsey, Washington, Scott, Carver, & 28 southern counties	<p>FULL REPRESENTATION & BRIEF LEGAL ADVICE Staff and volunteer attorneys provide full representation, brief legal services, advice and referrals on eviction, repair of substandard housing/subsidized housing. On staff translators for Hmong, Khmer, Lao, Russian, Somali, Spanish and Thai.</p>	125% FPG	9:00am-Noon & 1-3pm	55 East 5th Street #400 St. Paul, MN 55101	888-575-2954
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LawHelpMN.org

Offered thru Legal Services State Support	State-Wide Coverage	<p>NO LEGAL ADVICE An interactive website that assists users with understanding what resources exist for a myriad of legal problems. The site provides both explanatory summaries of how to deal with certain legal problems—such as tenants' rights—and forms that the user can download. The site identifies legal resources state-wide. The site also walks the user through the process of completing some simple forms—such as a letter to a landlord. Additionally, the website offers live online chat with an agency employee to assist in navigating the system (during regular business hours).</p>	No FPG No Screening	24/7	online resource	lawhelpmn.org
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Law Libraries

Note: Clinics and hours may vary at law libraries; contact the law libraries directly to determine their programs. Also, for a centralized listing of Law Library legal clinics go to the State Court Self Help Center webpage listing of Legal Clinics and Self-Help Centers in the 10 state Judicial Districts (<http://www.mncourts.gov/selfhelp/?page=251>)

Anoka County Law Library	http://ww2.anokacounty.us/v4_lawlibrary/default.aspx	763-422-7487
Carver County Law Library	https://www.carverlib.org/SitePages/law_library_overview.aspx	952-361-1564
Dakota County Law Library	http://www.co.dakota.mn.us/lawjustice/lawlibrary/Pages/default.aspx	(Hastings) 651-438-8080
Dakota County Law Library	""	"" (Apple Valley) 952-891-7135
Hennepin County Law Library	http://hclaw.co.hennepin.mn.us/	612-348-3022
Minnesota State Law Library	http://mn.gov/lawlib/index.html	(State-wide) 612-296-2775
Olmstead County Law Library	http://www.co.olmsted.mn.us/lawlibrary/Pages/default.aspx	507-328-7605
Ramsey County Law Library	http://www.co.ramsey.mn.us/ll/	651-266-8391
Scott County Law Library	http://www.scott.lib.mn.us/Law_Library.html	952-496-8713
Sherburne County Law Library	http://www.co.sherburne.mn.us/attorney/library.php	763-765-4800
St. Louis County Law Library	http://www.stlouiscountymn.gov/LAWPUBLICSAFETY/LawLibrary.aspx	218-726-2611
Stearns County Law Library	http://www.co.stearns.mn.us/Government/CountyDepartments/OtherServices/LawLibrary	320-656-3678
Washington County Law Library	http://www.co.washington.mn.us/index.aspx?NID=1040	651-430-6330
Wright County Law Library	http://www.co.wright.mn.us/department/lawlibrary/	763-682-7592

Legal Aid

Southern MN Regional Legal Services (SMRLS)	Ramsey, Washington, Scott, Carver, & 28 southern counties	FULL REPRESENTATION & BRIEF LEGAL ADVICE Staff and volunteer attorneys provide full representation, brief legal services, advice and referrals. Practice areas include family, government benefits, housing, Project HOPE, Immigration, education, seniors, consumer issues, debt and creditor issues, employment, guardianship and conservatorship, real property, and taxes.	125% FPG	Hotline hours: M -F 9am-11:45am and 1:00pm-3:00pm	55 East 5th Street #400 St. Paul, MN 55101	888-575-2954
Mid-Minnesota Legal Aid (MMLA) -St. Cloud	Counties: Benton, Chisago, Isanti, Mille Lacs, Morrison, Sherburne, Stearns, Todd, and Wright.	FULL REPRESENTATION & BRIEF LEGAL ADVICE Evictions and landlord abuse, foreclosure rights, public and Section 8 housing, housing discrimination, denial of public benefits, divorce, child custody and support, domestic abuse, disability, debt collection and unfair loans, immigration, youth- and elder-related issues and more	125% FPG	<u>Office Hours</u> Monday-Friday 8:30am-4:30pm <u>Intake Line</u> 9:30am-11:30am or 1:30pm - 3:30pm.	830 W St. Germain #309 P.O. Box 1598 St. Cloud, MN 56302	1-800-622-7773
Mid-Minnesota Legal Aid (MMLA) -Wilmar	Big Stone, Chippewa, Kandiyohi, Lac Qui Parle, Lincoln, Lyon, Meeker, Renville, Swift, and Yellow Medicine	SEE ABOVE	SEE ABOVE	SEE ABOVE	415 7th St. SW #1 & 2 Wilmar, MN 56201	1-888-360-3666



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Legal Aid Services of Northeastern Minnesota: Duluth Office	Carlton, Cook, Lake and Southern St. Louis counties in Arrowhead region.	SEE ABOVE	SEE ABOVE	SEE ABOVE	Duluth Office: 302 Ordean Bldg 242 West Superior Street Duluth, MN 55802	Duluth Office:218-623-8100, 855-204-1697
Legal Aid Services of Northeastern Minnesota : Grand Rapids Office	Northeastern MN	SEE ABOVE	SEE ABOVE	SEE ABOVE	Grand Rapids Office: 350 N.W. 1st Ave., Suite F Grand Rapids, MN 55744	Grand Rapids Office:218-322-6020, 1-800-708-6695
Legal Aid Services of Northeastern Minnesota: Virginia Office	Northeastern MN	SEE ABOVE	SEE ABOVE	SEE ABOVE	Virginia Office: Olcott Plaza, Suite 200, 820 N. 9th Street, Virginia, MN 55792	Virginia Office:218-749-3270, 1-800-886-3270
Legal Aid Services of Northeastern Minnesota : Pine City Office	Northeastern MN	SEE ABOVE	SEE ABOVE	SEE ABOVE	Pine City Office: 235 Maine Street South, Pine City, MN 55063	Pine City Office: 320-629-7166, 1-800-382-7166 (toll free)
Legal Services Northwest Minnesota: Alexandria Office	Douglas, Grant, Otter Tail, Pope, Stevens, Traverse, Wadena	FULL REPRESENTATION & BRIEF LEGAL ADIVCE Free legal advice, assistance, and representation to low income people who live in Northwestern Minnesota in a variety of civil (non-criminal) legal matters, including family law, housing, consumer issues, and many other types of legal matters.	125% FPG	Takes calls 9:00am-3:00pm or apply online lsnmLaw.org	426 Broadway Street, Alexandria, MN 56308	local: 320-762-0663; toll free:1-800-450-2552
Legal Services Northwest Minnesota: Bemidji Office	Beltrami, Clearwater, Hubbard, Lake of the Woods, Mahnomon	SEE ABOVE	SEE ABOVE	SEE ABOVE	215 4th Street N.W. P.O. Box 1883 Bemidji, MN 56619	local: 218-751-9201; toll-free 1-800-450-9201
Legal Services Northwest Minnesota: Moorhead Office	Becker, Clay, Kittson, Marshall, Norman, Pennington, Polk, Red Lake, Roseau, Wilkin	SEE ABOVE	SEE ABOVE	SEE ABOVE	1015 7th Avenue North P.O. Box 838 Moorhead, MN 56561	local: 218-233-8585; toll-free: 1-800-450-8585



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Legal Clinics

Too many to list individually. The State Court Self Help Center webpage lists Legal Clinics and Self-Help Centers in the 10 state Judicial Districts.

Go to (<http://www.mncourts.gov/selfhelp/?page=251>). Also see CallforJustice.org or LawHelpMN.org for legal clinic listings.

Note: always call clinic sponsors to verify that the clinic in question is still operational.

Low Fee Services

Currently No State-wide Low Fee Services Available

Mediation Services

Note: All community mediation services help to resolve conflict situations involving neighbors, family, business-consumer, and public policy types of disputes. They do not mediate divorce and custody cases or situations involving violence against persons.

Alternative Dispute Resolution (MN Dept. of Special Education)	State-wide Coverage	Free conflict resolution for students, parents, agencies (such as on issues re: IEP/IFSP/IIIP).	Hourly rate established by mediator. Sliding-scale fees possible.	Monday-Friday 8am-4:30pm	http://www.education.state.mn.us/MDE/SchSup/ComplAssist/AltDispRes/index.html	651-582-8222
Center for Multicultural Mediation and Restorative Services	State-wide Coverage	Providing mediation and restorative justice services to East African immigrants, refugee populations, and service providers. Offers services that are culturally competent and linguistically appropriate in the following situations: employment, supervision, school disputes, family disputes & community contexts.	Intake coordinator will provide more details upon application.	Download & print online application.	2400 Minnehaha Ave. Minneapolis, MN 55404	612-722-2739
Conflict Resolution Center	State-wide Coverage	Mediation of community, school, and court related issues.	low income guidelines	Satellite office	Satellite office	218-656-6099
Family Law Appellate Mediation Program (Minnesota Court of Appeals)	State-wide Coverage	Mediation of family law cases on appeal prior to briefing.		Call for general program questions		651-296-6739
Peacemaker Resources	Northern MN	Mediation and restorative justice services in the areas of family, neighborhood, and business matters, in addition to youth and restorative justice. Services not provided for: situations with a history of domestic violence or violence involving a weapon, divorce mediation.	Call or Email to learn details about specific programs.	Monday-Friday 8:00am-4:00pm	3124 Hannah Ave NW Bemidji, MN 56601	218-444-8048
Native American Resources						
Indian Child Welfare Law Center	State-wide Coverage	FULL REPRESENTATION & BRIEF LEGAL ADVICE Provides legal representation to parents, family members, Indian custodians and children who are involved in legal matters governed by the Indian Child Welfare Act of 1978. Must be eligible for enrollment.	Must be below FPG	Monday-Friday 8:30am to 4:30pm	1730 Clifton Place #104 Minneapolis, MN 55403	612-879-9165
Anishinabe Legal Services	In or near Leech Lake, Red Lake & White Earth Reservations	FULL REPRESENTATION Child protection, Traffic, Divorce, Order for Protections, Evictions, Garnishments, Wills, Healthcare Directions & Durable Powers of Attorney, Social Security, Civil Forfeiture, Indian Law, Custody or Visitation, and other legal issues. Intake forms available online.	125% FPG	Tuesday and Thursdays 8:30 am - 4:00 pm	<p><u>Cass Lake Office:</u> 411 1st St NW, Cass Lake, MN 56633</p> <p><u>Red Lake Office:</u> Red Lake Agency, Rm 18, Highway 1 West, Red Lake, MN 56671</p> <p><u>White Earth Office:</u> 35500 Eagle View Rd, White Earth, MN 56591</p>	<p><u>Cass Lake Phone:</u> 218-422-2223 Toll Free: 800-422-1335</p> <p><u>Red Lake Phone:</u> 218-679-2281, toll free 866-679-2281</p> <p><u>White Earth Phone:</u> 218-983-4653, toll free 877-800-7295</p>



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Indian Legal Assistance Program	See Next Column:	<p>FULL REPRESENTATION Civil Assistance in St. Louis and Carlton counties. Criminal Assistance in Aitkin, Carlton, Cook, Lake and St. Louis Counties, Bois Forte Tribal Court, and Fond du Lac Tribal Court. Even though they have a emphasis on Indian population, they offer legal services to all whom meet financial guidelines. Offers services on child protection cases and other.</p>	low income guidelines	<p><u>Fond du Lac Tribal Center</u> - Every Thurs. 1:30 - 3:30 <u>Nett Lake Administration Building</u> - Every 3rd Thurs. 10 - 11:30 <u>Lake Vermillion Tribal Center</u> - Every 3rd Thurs. 1:30 - 3:00</p>	107 W. First Street Duluth, MN 55802	218-727-2881 1-888-249-3205
Legal Aid Service of Northeastern Minnesota	Counties in Northeast Minnesota	<p>FULL REPRESENTATION & BRIEF LEGAL ADIVCE Housing, Government Programs, Family Issues, Consumer Disputes, Seniors' Issues and other legal matters. Serves Native American Communities: Inger, Ball Club, Squaw Lake, Bowstring, Deer River and surrounding areas.</p>	Native American Tribe Members	<p>MAIN OFFICE Legal Aid Service of Northeastern MN 8:30am - 4:30pm (mon - fri) INGER Clinic/Headstart Building 2 pm - 4 pm. Alternating Wednesdays BALL CLUB ENP Building 12:00- 2:00 p.m. Alternating Wednesdays SQUAW LAKE Eagle View School 4 pm- 6 pm.</p>	<p><u>MAIN OFFICE</u> Legal Aid Service of 350 N.W. 1st Ave., Suite F Grand Rapids, MN 55744</p>	<p><u>MAIN OFFICE</u> Phone: (218) 322-6020, Toll Free #: 1-800-708-6695 <u>INGER</u> Clinic/Headstart Building 1-800-708-6695 <u>BALL CLUB</u> ENP Building 1-800-708-6695 <u>SQUAW LAKE</u> Eagle View School 1-800-708-6695</p>
Band Member Legal Aid	Aitkin, Benton, Crow Wing, Kanabec, Mille Lacs, Morrison, Pine, Sherburne, Hennepin and Ramsey Countries	<p>FULL REPRESENTATION & BRIEF LEGAL ADIVCE BMLA provides free civil and criminal legal services to enrolled members of the Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe. Types of cases include family law, child protection, Indian Child Welfare Act, domestic abuse, housing, public benefits, consumer law and debt collection, estate planning, probate, elder law, and criminal law.</p>	enrolled members of Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe	Monday - Friday 8:00am - 5:00pm (closed from 12-1 lunch)	43408 Oodena Drive Onamia, MN 56359	320-532-7798 800-709-6445

Nonprofit Organizations



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Robertson Law Office	State-wide Coverage	LEGAL ADVICE Works solely with nonprofit and tax-exempt organizations to assist them with the tax, regulatory, governance, and unique business challenges they face. Consultations are free, and fees are on a sliding scale based on the organization's annual revenues and tax status. For more information, please check out www.robertsonlawofficellc.com .	Free consultation, sliding scale fee	Monday-Friday 9:00am - 5:00pm	509 1st Ave NE Minneapolis, MN 55413	651-336-2287
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Online Legal Advice

Minnesota Legal Advice Online (MLAO)	State-Wide Coverage	MINNESOTA LEGAL ADVICE ONLINE (MLAO) Volunteer lawyers answer civil, or non-legal, questions for free. Clients submit a question and a volunteer attorney has 14 days to respond. The entire exchange is via the website, and acts like email correspondence. Clients cannot get advice from a volunteer lawyer through MLAO if they are already working with another lawyer on that legal issue. Personal contact information is omitted, unless offered on a voluntary basis.	200% FPG Age 14+	24/7	Online Resource	www.mnlegaladvice.org/
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Prison/Reentry

Legal Assistance to Minnesota Prisoners (LAMP)	State-wide Coverage	BRIEF LEGAL SERVICES ONLY Provides civil and family law services to male & females incarcerated in MN correctional facilities. They cannot provide services to federal prisoners or those out of state.	For those in MN correctional facilities.	Call Monday - Friday 8:30am - 5:00 pm	William Mitchell College of Law 875 Summit Avenue St. Paul, MN 55105	651-290-6413
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Reentry Clinic	State-wide Coverage	BRIEF LEGAL SERVICES ONLY Provides services to female prisoners in Minnesota who are nearing their release dates, as well as services related to family law and civic issues such as divorce, name changes, child custody, visitation, emergency housing upon release, etc.	Female prisoners nearing release date	Monday - Friday 8:30am - 5:00 pm	William Mitchell College of Law 875 Summit Avenue St. Paul, MN 55105	651-290-6413
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Public Benefits

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Legal Services Northwest Minnesota	See "Legal Aid" page 16 for listed counties	FULL REPRESENTATION & BRIEF LEGAL ADVICE Free legal advice, assistance, and representation to low income people who live in Northwestern Minnesota in a variety of civil (non-criminal) legal matters, including family law, housing, consumer issues, and many other types of legal matters.	125% FPG	Takes calls 9:00am-3:00pm or apply online lsmlaw.org	See "Legal Aid" page 16 for listed offices	
Legal Aid Services of Northeastern Minnesota	See "Legal Aid" page 15 for listed counties	FULL REPRESENTATION & BRIEF LEGAL ADVICE Landlord/tenant disputes, mortgage foreclosures, housing code violations, harassment by bill collectors, garnishment, custody, divorce, visitation, family problems, and victims of domestic abuse.	125 % FPG	8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday (Closed for lunch between 12 noon and 1:00 p.m.)	See "Legal Aid" page 15 for listed offices	
Upper Midwest Pension Rights Project	MN, WI, IA, SD & ND	FULL REPRESENTATION & BRIEF LEGAL SERVICES Provides services for those with pension and retirement benefit issues and questions. Direct representation available through the claims and appeals stage. All services offered free of charge.	No income restrictions	Monday-Friday 8:00am-6:00pm	2365 N. McKnight Rd #3 North St. Paul, MN 55109	651-251-5765
Self-Help Centers						
MN Courts Self-Help Center	State-wide Coverage	NO LEGAL ADVICE This is a virtual Self-Help Center available by phone and email through the MN Judicial Branch website. Answers questions about court forms, points people to legal resources, reviews completed court forms that can be emailed, and explains procedures for MN Courts. Closed legal holidays	No Income Restrictions	Monday-Friday 8:30am – 3pm	www.mncourts.gov/selfhelp	651-259-3888
Senior Law						
Disability Law Center (thru MMLA)	State-wide Coverage	FULL REPRESENTATION The Minnesota Disability Law Center provides free legal assistance to individuals on civil legal matters regarding their disabilities. Clients are usually supported in the areas of abuse & neglect, self-determination, community-based services, accessibility & discrimination, special education and employment.	All individuals w/ disabilities are eligible to receive help. Service based on priority of need.	Monday-Friday 8:30am-4:30pm	430 1st Ave N #300 Minneapolis, MN 55401	800-292-4150
Northeast Senior Services, Inc. Legal Clinic	NE Mpls, Saint Anthony Village, Columbia Heights & New Brighton	SOME LEGAL ADVICE Northeast Senior Services, Inc. operates a legal clinic for age 60+ seniors/elders on real estate related issues. The clinic provides an opportunity to meet with an attorney on an individual basis. Appointments are required beforehand.	Call to Schedule Appt.	1st Wednesday of each month	2600 Kenzie Terrance #2A Saint Anthony, MN 55418	612-781-5096
Ombudsman Office and Services	State-wide Coverage	NO LEGAL ADVICE Has trained advocates who intervene in disputes involving various underrepresented populations--the disabled, those with mental disabilities, and persons living in nursing homes or group settings. There are no lawyers on staff, but if legal needs arise, they will make referrals to various legal nonprofit providers (usually to the Volunteer Lawyers Network or to the Disability Law Center)	No initial income restrictions	Scheduling occurs during intake call.	Offices Vary by County	800-657-3591 (Long-Term Care) or 800-657-1800 (Mental Health and Development Disabilities)



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Senior Law Project (thru Mid-Minnesota Legal Assistance/ Legal Aid Society of Minnesota)	State-wide Coverage	FULL REPRESENTATION & BRIEF LEGAL ADVICE The Senior Law Project works with people who are 60+ living in Hennepin County. They do both estate planning and government benefits work which accepts a wide range of cases involving housing, nursing homes, gov't benefits, debt collection, utility disputes, grandchild custody, general probate, powers of attorney and healthcare directives.	None (however, the majority meet 125% FPG or less)	<u>Office Hours</u> Monday-Friday 8:30am-4:30pm <u>Intake Line</u> 9:30am-11:30am or 1:30pm-3:30pm.	430 1st Ave N #300 Minneapolis, MN 55401	612-334-5970
Senior Citizens Law Project - Duluth	St. Louis	REPRESENTATION, ADVICE, AND REFERRAL. The Senior Citizens Law Project handles cases involving medical assistance, Medicare, long-term care issues, health care directives, power of attorney, probate questions, landlord/tenant problems, public and subsidized housing problems, consumer problems, contract disputes, home repair, warranty enforcement.	Income	<u>Office Hours</u> Monday-Friday 8:30am-4:30pm	24 W. Superior Street, Suite 302, Duluth, MN 55802	(218) 623-8100
Senior LinkAge Line	State-wide Coverage	TELEPHONE INFORMATION & ASSISTANCE (no legal advice) Free information and assistance service (via phone or in-person) on: Medicare, prescription drug expense assistance for Minnesotans of all ages, health insurance counseling, forms assistance, long-term care insurance and planning, caregiver planning and support, and grandparents raising children. You can leave messages if you call outside of answering hours (see next column).	No restrictions	Monday-Friday 8:00am-4:30pm	Phone service provided by MN Board on Aging	1-800-333-2433
Southern MN Regional Legal Services	Ramsey, Washington, Scott, Carver & 28 Southern Counties	FULL REPRESENTATION & BRIEF LEGAL ADVICE Staff and volunteer attorneys provide full representation, brief legal services, advice and referrals on senior law issues including health program eligibility, nursing home discharge, and government benefits. On staff translators for Hmong, Khmer, Lao, Russian, Somali, Spanish and Thai.	Priority for the most economically needy elders.	9:00am-Noon & 1-3pm	55 East 5th Street #400 St. Paul, MN 55101	888-575-2954
Legal Aid Service of Northeastern MN: Duluth Office	St. Louis, Lake, Cook, Itasca, Carlton, Aitkin, and Koochiching.	SENIOR CITIZEN LAW PROJECT Provides legal advice and assistance to persons 60 years of age or older in the seven county Arrowhead region. Medical Assistance, Medicare, Long-term care issues, Health care directives, Powers of Attorney, Probate questions Landlord/tenant problems, Public and Subsidized housing problems, Consumer problems, Dept. problems, Contract disputes, Home repair disputes, Warranty enforcement and other non-criminal Legal problems.	60+ and 125% FPG	8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday (Closed for lunch between 12 noon and 1:00 p.m.)	302 Ordean Bldg. 424 West Superior Street Duluth, Minnesota 55802 (walk-in okay, but phone encouraged)	218-623-8100
Legal Aid Services of Northeastern Minnesota - Cook County Courthouse	Cook County	BRIEF LEGAL ADVICE An attorney from Duluth office is generally available for consultations in Grand Marais. Seniors who wish to consult with the attorney should make arrangements through the Grand Marais Senior Center.	125% FPG	<u>Cook County Courthouse</u> from 9am - 11:30am <u>Grand Marais Senior Center</u> from 11:45am - 1:00pm. Third Tuesday of every month.	Duluth Office: 302 Ordean Bldg. 424 West Superior Street Duluth, MN 55802 Cook County Courthouse: 411 West 2nd Street Grand Marais, MN 55604	Duluth Office Phone: 218-726-4800



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Volunteers of America - MN & WI	State-wide Coverage	SOME LEGAL ADVICE Legal services include two-attorney general practice law firm with a caseload consisting mainly of a consumer, Debt/Credit/Bankruptcy, Disability, Elder Law, Family & Juvenile, Foreclosure, Health, Housing. people with disabilities or people over 60 may qualify for subsidized rates based on income	Sliding Fee scale	Monday-Friday, 9:00 a.m.– 5:30 p.m.	1900 central Ave. N.E. Suite 106 Minneapolis, MN 55418	612-676-6300
Upper Midwest Pension Rights Project	MN, WI, IA, SD & ND	FULL REPRESENTATION & BRIEF LEGAL ADVICE Provides services for those with pension and retirement benefit issues and questions. Direct representation available through the claims and appeals stage. All services offered free of charge.	No income restrictions	Monday-Friday 8am-6pm	2365 N. McKnight Rd #3 St. Paul, MN 55109	651-251-5765

Sexual Assault & Violence

Sexual Violence Center	Hennepin, Carver, and Scott counties (other counties may inquire)	NO LEGAL ADVICE 24-hour crisis hotline for victims/survivors of sexual violence. Provides legal advocacy by supporting victims/survivors through OFP/HRO hearings and other civil cases, criminal reports to police, crime victims reparations filing and other related services.	No income restrictions	SVC Hotline operates 24/7	3757 Freemont Ave N Minneapolis, MN 55412	Hotline 612-871-5111
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Mid-MN Legal Aid	See "Legal Aid" Page for listed counties	FULL REPRESENTATION & BRIEF LEGAL ADVICE CMLS offers assistance to families and individuals facing potential utility terminations or other threats to basic income needs. Languages include Arabic, English, Somali, Spanish.	125% FPG	Office Hours Monday-Friday 8:30am-4:30pm Intake Line 9:30am-11:30am or 1:30pm - 3:30pm.	See "Legal Aid" page 14-15 for listed offices	
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Southern MN Regional Legal Services	Ramsey, Washington, Scott, Carver, & 28 southern counties	FULL REPRESENTATION & BRIEF LEGAL ADVICE Staff and volunteer attorneys provide full representation, brief legal services, advice and referrals for farm families who are faced with the prospect of losing their homestead. On staff translators for Hmong, Khmer, Lao, Russian, Somali, Spanish and Thai.	125% FPG	9:00am-11:45am & 1-3pm	55 East 5th Street #400 St. Paul, MN 55101	1-888-575-2954
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Spanish

Spanish Legal Services (SLS) (Formerly Linea legal Latina) (VLN)	State-wide Coverage	ADVICE & BREIF SERVICES On all civil legal and immigration issues such as immigration, family law, landlord/tenant, consumer, and employment law. Advice is provided over the phone and services (drafting and letter writing) at clinics in St. Paul and MSP.	200% FPG		Minneapolis: 720 East lake Street Minneapolis, MN 55407 (612-746-3500) St. Paul: 797 East 7th Street St. Paul, MN 55106 (651-379-4200) Aging Well Services: 882 South Robert Street West St. Paul, MN 55118 (651-379-4280)	612-752-6677 (VLN) Select Spanish option
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Tax Law - MN Dept. of Revenue

Volunteer Lawyers Network	State-wide Coverage	FULL REPRESENTATION & ADVICE Advice and representation on tax disputes involving MN Dept. of Revenue.	125% FPG; 300% (advice)	M/W/TH 9am-1pm	600 Nicollet Mall, Suite 390A Minneapolis, MN 55402	612-752-6677
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Offered thru United Way	State-wide Coverage	NO LEGAL ADVICE, LEGAL AND SOCIAL SERVICES REFERRALS ONLY Provides targeted legal referrals, together with social service referrals. Comprehensive Information and Referral for health and human services, and governmental programs. Staff has been trained to provide the best possible referrals to legal services, especially for low-income callers, and can also provide referrals for resources dealing with other, often co-existing, issues that they are experiencing.	No Income Restrictions	24/7	Phone Resource	DIAL "2-1-1"
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Veteran's Assistance (Legal & Social Services)

LinkVet	State-wide Coverage	TELEPHONE INFORMATION & ADVICE (no legal advice) Also offers education and pending legislation. Referrals are made to veteran-related organizations.	Must have veteran status	Monday-Friday 7:00am-9:00pm Saturday 9:00am-2:30pm Sunday 11:00am-4:30pm	The LinkVet Support Team is available by phone, web chat, and email.	Toll-free 1-888-LinkVet (546-5838)
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Minnesota Veteran's Assistance Council	State-wide Coverage	LEGAL ADVICE MAC-V provides a structured assistance program giving the veteran support to once again become a productive member of the community, confidence to rebuild relationships and knowledge that the community recognizes and cares about them and their services to our country. Provides both legal and social service assistance.	Clients must be a veteran with 181 days of active duty service.	Monday-Friday 8:00am-5:00pm	360 Robert St. N. #306 St. Paul, MN 55101	St. Paul: 651-291-8756 Metro: 612-726-1327 Duluth: 218-722-8763 Mankato: 507-345-8258
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Veterans Legal Services (thru Central Minnesota Legal Services)	State-wide Coverage	FULL REPRESENTATION & BRIEF LEGAL ADVICE Provides services to veterans on civil legal matters ONLY. No criminal or traffic violation help is offered. The attorneys help with all types of civil law, such as consumer debt, family, housing, benefits, etc. Note: The provided phone numbers are the direct lines to CMLS. Callers requesting veterans legal services will make that distinction during the initial phone call.	125% FPG (but may go higher on some cases)	Monday-Friday 8:30am-4:30pm	<u>Minneapolis:</u> 430 1st Ave N #359 Minneapolis, MN 55401 <u>St. Cloud:</u> 110 6th Ave So, #205 St. Cloud, MN 56301	Minneapolis: 612-332-8151 St. Cloud: 320-253-0138
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Videos

Online videos relative to various legal topics (e.g. bankruptcy, criminal expungements, how to handle a conciliation court hearing, landlord-tenant issues, etc.) can be found at LawHelpMN.org (type in "videos" in the search bar). A more limited number of videos can be found at www.callforjustice.org (under "Resources" go to "Legal Referral Training Videos").

Volunteer Lawyers Network

VLN	Varies--Some Twin Cities Metro/Some State-Wide Coverage	FULL REPRESENTATION & BRIEF LEGAL ADVICE VLN offers many programs through volunteer attorneys, including full representation on family law, bankruptcy, criminal expungement, and more. Go to www.volunteerlawyersnetwork.org and use its online intake form to see if you qualify/if the needed services exist.	125% - 300% depending on program	M/W/Th 9am-1pm	http://www.vlnmn.org	612-752-6677
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Children's Law Center of MN	Ramsey, Hennepin, Anoka, Dakota, and Isanti Counties and statewide	<p>FULL REPRESENTATION & BRIEF LEGAL ADIVCE</p> <p>Advocacy for children in foster care and child protection, including direct representation statewide consultation and support services for pro bono attorneys. Volunteer and staff attorneys represent children in foster care ages 10-19 with many issues including: court reviews, appropriate placement, permanency planning, transition to adulthood, sibling contact agreements, health care, education and financial benefits</p>	For children in foster care	Monday - Friday 8am - 5pm	450 N Syndicate St, Suite 315 St. Paul, MN 55104	651-644-4438
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School Law Center, LLC	State-wide Coverage	<p>FULL REPRESENTATION</p> <p>provides legal representation for individual students, their families, and groups of students and/or families or agencies serving students and their families in all areas of education law. Includes topics like including due process hearings, state complaints, mediation, conciliation conferences, informal and formal negotiations and planning, and more.</p>			452 Selby Ave, Second Floor East Saint Paul, MN 55102	651-222-7193
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