

**LEGAL SERVICE AND RELATED ORGANIZATIONS
IN SANTA CLARA COUNTY**

General Legal Services Organizations

AIDS Legal Services

A Program of the Law Foundation of Silicon Valley

111 W. Saint John St., Suite 315

San Jose, CA 95113

Phone: (408) 293-3135

Fax: (408) 293-0106

www.lawfoundation.org/als.asp

Advocacy Areas: Wills, Powers of attorney for healthcare and finance, Employment discrimination and reasonable accommodation, Insurance and benefits, and other AIDS related services.

Fees: No fees.

Eligibility: HIV/AIDS diagnosis, Santa Clara County resident and household income below 400% of federal poverty level.

Asian Law Alliance

184 E. Jackson Street

San Jose, CA 95112

Telephone: (408) 287-9710

Fax: (408) 287-0864

<http://www.asianlawalliance.org>

Advocacy Areas: Housing, Public Benefits, Employment, Immigration, Domestic Violence, Civil Rights

Fees: No Fee

Eligibility: Income based

California Rural Legal Assistance

7365 Monterey Road, Suite H

Gilroy, CA 95020

(408) 847-1408

<http://www.crla.org/>

Advocacy Areas: Civil Rights, Domestic Violence, Education, Employment, Family Security, Housing, Labor, Public Benefits and Un-served Minority

Fees: No Fee

Eligibility: Income based

Bay Area Legal Aid

2 West Santa Clara Street, 8th Floor
San Jose, CA 95113

Hours: Monday through Friday 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Legal Assistance Line (LAL): (408) 850-7066

Telephone: (408) 283-3700

Facsimile: (408) 283-3750

E-mail: Info@baylegal.org

<http://www.baylegal.org/>

Advocacy Areas: Housing, Domestic Violence, Public Benefits, Health Access

Fees: No Fee

Eligibility: Income based

Fair Housing Law Project

A Program of the Law Foundation of Silicon Valley

111 W. Sai3nt John St., Suite 315

San Jose, CA 95113

Phone: (408) 280-2435

Fax: (408) 293-0106

www.lawfoundation.org/fhlp.asp

Advocacy Areas: Direct representation and individual counseling to people who have experienced discrimination in acquiring or keeping housing. Educating members of the community about their housing rights and responsibilities. **Limited assistance and representation available to victims of predatory or discriminatory home lending.**

Fees: No charge.

Eligibility: Victim of housing or lending discrimination in the County of Santa Clara.

Katharine & George Alexander Community Law Center

1030 The Alameda

San Jose, CA 95126

Phone: 408-288-7030

Fax: 408-288-3581

<http://www.scu.edu/law/kgalc/>

Advocacy Areas: Consumer Rights, Debtors' Rights, Employment, Immigrants' Rights

Fees: No Fee

Eligibility: Income based

Lawyers in the Library

A project of the Pro Bono Project

San Jose

Dr Martin Luther King, Jr. Library

150 East San Fernando Street

San Jose, CA 95113

408-808-2100 for appointments

Mountain View

801 California Street (Fenwick & West Building)

Mountain View., CA 94040

408-998-5289 ext. 311 for appointments

Milpitas

Call 408-998-5298 for information

Santa Clara

Call 408-998-5298 for information

www.probonoproject.org/other_services.html

Advocacy Areas: Advice only in any legal area

Fees: No fee

Eligibility: No eligibility criteria

Legal Advocates for Children and Youth

A Program of the Law Foundation of Silicon Valley

111 W. Saint John St., Suite 315

San Jose, CA 95113

Phone: (408) 280-2416

Fax: (408) 293-0106

www.lawfoundation.org/lacy.asp

Advocacy Areas: Education Law Project: Assists students in enrollment, school discipline, and special education matters. Guardianship Project: Attempts to help children stabilize their lives by seeking legal guardianships. Homeless and Runaway Youth Project: Works with runaway youth and those at risk of becoming homeless. Pregnant and Parenting Teen Project: Provides representation and education to teens regarding paternity, child custody, visitation, adoption, and domestic violence. LACY also helps youth with emancipation assistance and referrals for other juvenile matters.

Fees: No fees.

Eligibility: Depending upon service, eligibility may be subject matter based.

Legal Aid Society of Santa Clara County
W. Robert Morgan Legal Services Center
480 North First Street (at Empire Street)
San Jose, California 95112

Mailing Address

P. O. Box 103
San Jose, CA 95103-0103
Main Phone: (408) 998-5200
Voice Mail: (408) 283-1535
FAX: (408) 298-3782
E-mail: info@legalaidsociety.org
<http://www.legalaidsociety.org/>

Advocacy Areas: Family, Domestic Violence, Housing, Fair Housing, Immigration, Special Education

Fees: Depending upon the service and subject matter some fees may apply

Eligibility: Depending upon service eligibility may be income or subject matter based.

Mental Health Advocacy Project

A Program of the Law Foundation of Silicon Valley

111 W. Saint John St., Suite 315

San Jose, CA 95113

Phone: (408) 294-9730

Fax: (408) 293-0106

www.lawfoundation.org/mhap.asp

Advocacy Areas: Patients' Rights Unit: Works on individual and system levels to ensure compliance with laws governing mental health patients' rights. Housing Rights Unit: Addresses issues of housing and homelessness. Economic Rights Unit: Provides assistance with public benefits. Developmental Services Rights Unit: Protects the rights of people with autism, mental retardation, and similar conditions.

Fees: No charge.

Eligibility: Individuals with current or past history of mental illness and/or developmental disabilities are eligible, provided their legal issues fall within MHAP's practice areas. In rare cases eligibility may be affected by income.

Pro Bono Project Silicon Valley

480 North First Street
San Jose, California 95103
408-998-5298
Fax: 408-971-9672

Email info@probonoproject.org
<http://www.probonoproject.org>

Advocacy Areas: Consumer, debtors' rights, the full range of family matters, Domestic Violence, not-for-profit corporations, and other civil legal matters depending upon availability of volunteers

Fees: No Fee

Eligibility: Income based

Public Interest Law Firm

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111 W. Saint John St., Suite 315
San Jose, CA 95113
Phone: (408) 293-4790
Fax: (408) 293-0106

www.lawfoundation.org/pilf.asp

Advocacy Areas: Impact and class action litigation and advocacy for disadvantaged groups in numerous practice areas.

Fees: No fees

Eligibility: Depending upon service, eligibility may be income or subject matter based.

Senior Adults Legal Assistance

160 East Virginia Street, Suite 260
San Jose, California 95112
408-295-5991 (Central Office)
650-969-8656 (For North County Residents)
408-847-7252 (For South County Residents)
FAX 408-295-7401

General Information: info@sala.org
<http://www.sala.org>

Advocacy Areas: Public Benefits, Long Term Care, Elder Abuse, Housing, Consumer, Incapacity Planning, Probate Alternatives, Simple Wills

Fees: No Fee

Eligibility: Age 60 or older

Organizations Limited to Immigration Related Issues

Catholic Charities

2625 Zanker Road, Suite 201

San Jose, CA 95134

Tel. 408-468-0100

Fax: 408-944-0275

Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

7950 Church Street

Gilroy, CA 95020

Monday & Tuesday, By Appointment Only

http://www.ccsj.org/services/immigration_refugee/immigration.html

Advocacy Areas: Immigration

Fees: Consultations are \$35 (\$50 for political asylum and removal), Follow-up appointments and services are on a sliding scale based on family income.

Eligibility: None

CET Center for Employment Training,

Immigration and Citizenship Program

BIA Accredited Agency

701 Vine Street

San Jose, CA 95110

Tel: (408) 287-7924

CET Gilroy

7800 Arroyo Circle

Gilroy, CA 95020

408-842-6484

<http://www.cet2000.org/>

Advocacy Areas: Immigration and Citizenship Legal Service.

Fees: sliding scale

Eligibility: Low income

International Rescue Committee

IRC San Jose, CA

1450 Koll Circle B

San Jose

CA 95112

Telephone: (408) 453-3536

Fax:

http://www.theirc.org/where/the_irc_in_san_jose.html

Advocacy Areas: Basic immigration services

Fees: Nominal fee

Eligibility: All immigrants and refugees

Organizations Limited To Domestic Violence

Asian Americans for Community Involvement

2400 Moorpark Ave., Suite 300

San Jose CA 95128

Tel: 408-975-2730

Fax: 408-975-2745

<http://www.aaci.org>

Hotline: 408-975-2739

Advocacy Areas: Domestic Violence. Assisting survivors of domestic violence with completing Temporary Restraining Order (TRO), providing information and referrals, court advocacy and accompaniments

Fees: None

Eligibility: Victims of Domestic Violence

Community Solutions

16264 Church Street, #103

Morgan Hill, CA 95038-0546

408.779.2113

408.778.9672 FAX

6980 Chestnut Street

Gilroy, CA 95020

408.842.7138

408.842.0757 FAX

La Casa del Puente

Residential Treatment Center

17415 Depot

Morgan Hill, CA 95037

408.778.0555

408.776.9215 FAX

24-Hour Community Crisis/Domestic Violence: 408.683.4118 / 831.637.SAFE

<http://www.communitysolutions.org>

Maitri

234 East Gish Road
Suite #200

San Jose, CA 95112

Toll Free Hotline: 1-888-8MAITRI / 1-888-862-4874

Local Hotline: 1-408-436-8398

Live Hotline Hours: 9am - 1pm (PST)

Office Phone: 1-408-436-8393

Office Fax: 1-408-436-8381

In addition to English, the volunteers speak Bengali, Gujarati, Hindi, Kannada, Kashmiri, Konkani, Malayalam, Marathi, Marwari, Oriya, Punjabi, Sindhi, Sinhalese, Tamil, Telugu, and Urdu

<http://www.maitri.org/>

Next Door

234 E. Gish Road, Suite 200

San Jose, CA 95112

(408) 501-7550

Fax (408) 441-7562

24-Hour Hotline: 408-279-2962

<http://www.nextdoor.org>

Advocacy Areas: Domestic Violence. Will prepare forms for TRO and provide court accompaniment for information and support, but not representation

Fees: Sliding fee \$0 to \$40.00

Eligibility: Have been a victim of domestic violence including: physical abuse or threats of violence by a spouse or former spouse, someone you have dated or have a child with, or is a member of your immediate family. Live in Santa Clara County Cannot afford an attorney Are willing and able to represent yourself throughout the court process.

Support Network for Battered Women

1257 Tasman Drive, Suite C

Sunnyvale, CA 94089

Office Phone: 408-541-6100

Office Fax: 408-541-1333

Crisis Line (English and Spanish): 1-800-572-2782

<http://www.snbw.org>

Advocacy Areas: Domestic Violence. Will prepare forms for TRO and provide court accompaniment

Fees: \$30.00 for restraining orders. No client denied for lack of funds

Eligibility: Have been a victim of domestic violence.

Try the Lawyer Referral Service

If you have legal problems, do you know a lawyer you can turn to for advice and help? If you are new in the Santa Clara County or have not had to consult a lawyer before, the Lawyer Referral Service ("LRS") will give you fast and friendly help. Simply dial...

(408) 971-6822

Or visit us at www.scoba.com

This will place you in contact with the Lawyer Referral Service, a non-profit public service of the Santa Clara County Bar Association, certified by the State Bar of California and approved by the American Bar Association.

HOW LRS WORKS

When you call the Lawyer Referral Service, you will be asked to briefly explain your problem. An LRS staff member will arrange a half-hour consultation for you with a qualified lawyer who is experienced in the area of law involved, at a convenient time for you. Arrangements for your consultation with a lawyer will be made quickly and efficiently, usually within 24-48 hours upon request.

Neither you nor the lawyer are obligated to go beyond the first consultation and your problem might even be resolved within the half-hour consultation. However, if your problem is serious enough to require further legal services, you can negotiate an arrangement for additional legal services during your consultation. Payment for further services would be arranged by you and the lawyer.

HOW MUCH WILL IT COST

The Lawyer Referral Service charges a \$39 administrative fee which is payable by Visa or MasterCard or you can mail in a money order for the amount.

No Fee is Charged by the Attorney for the First 30 minutes! If the consultation goes beyond the 30 minutes please ask the attorney if he/she is charging additional fees.

DO YOU HAVE A MODERATE INCOME?

Do you have legal problems? Do you need a lawyer but can't afford standard attorney's fees? If you meet the income eligibility screening, the Modest Means Panel will match you with a moderate fee lawyer in one of the seven areas of Law

LIMITED SCOPE REPRESENTATION (LSR)

Limited Scope Attorneys help you with only certain parts of your case, as you choose. You can handle some of the work and the attorney can handle other parts of your case. The benefit to you is that you can budget your money best by doing the simpler parts of the case yourself and the attorney can focus his/her time on the complicated parts.

Examples of LSR

- Consult a lawyer to get legal information and advice about your case as needed.
- Hire the attorney to represent you on certain issues in your case.
- Hire the attorney to prepare forms and other court documents.
- Hire the attorney to coach you on how to represent yourself at the court hearings.
- Hire the attorney to help you with the more complicated parts of your case.

Simply Dial

(408) 971-6822

This number places you in contact with the Lawyer Referral Service.

HOW DOES THE MODEST MEANS REFERRAL WORK?

When you call LRS, you will be financially screened. If you meet this initial screening criteria, you will be asked to complete a more detailed eligibility form. If you qualify for the Modest Means Referral, you will be asked to pay a \$29 administration fee prior to scheduling the 30 minute consultation. The fee helps pay the operating expenses for this program.

Neither you nor the lawyer are obligated to go beyond the first consultation. If your problem requires further legal services and you elect to hire the lawyer, you will be charged a reduced hourly fee which has been established by the Modest Means Panel.

SANTA CLARA COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION WEBSITE:

WWW.SCCBA.COM

For an online referral application:

- Click Legal Consumer Resource Center, then on Lawyer Referral Service
- The online referral form is located under "Scheduling an Appointment with an attorney".

**Qualified lawyers
experienced in the
following areas:**

- Adoption
- Auto Accidents
- Bankruptcy
- Business/Real Property Litigation
- Collections
- Conservatorship
- Consumer
- Criminal
- Family
- Estate Planning
- Evictions
- Guardianship
- Immigration
- Job Injuries
- Juvenile
- Personal Injury
- Probate
- Real Estate
- Taxation
- Trusts
- Wills

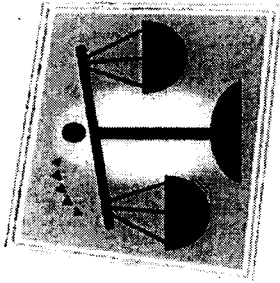
and many more...

Hours of Service

Monday - Thursday
9am to 4:30pm

Friday
9am to 3:30pm

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