

Dallas Volunteer Attorney Program
(214) 243-2236

Handles only Civil matters...No Criminal or Personal Injury cases.

The Dallas Volunteer Attorney Program provides advice, brief assistance, and representation in family, benefits, consumer, employment, housing, landlord-tenant, probate, and wills matters. Services are free to eligible clients; however, clients may be responsible for filing fees and other court costs.

Except for qualified veterans, all clients must fall below 125% of the federal poverty guidelines to qualify for assistance. If a person needing free legal services has been sued, please bring copies of your legal documents to the clinic.

Clinics may be cancelled because of bad weather, federal holidays, or voting. Please contact 214-243-2247 to confirm that a clinic will occur as scheduled.

East Dallas Legal Clinic:

1st and 3rd Thursday of each month
6:00 p.m.
Grace United Methodist Church
4105 Junius at Haskell
Dallas, Texas 75246

Friendship West Legal Clinic:

3rd Wednesday of each month
6:00 p.m.
Friendship West Baptist Church
2020 West Wheatland Road
Dallas, Texas 75232

South Dallas Legal Clinic:

1st, 2nd, and 4th Tuesday of each month
6:00 p.m.
Martin Luther King Jr. Center
Core Services Building – Room 122
2922 Martin Luther King Blvd.
Dallas, Texas 75215

Expunction & Non-disclosure Clinic

3rd Tuesday of each month
5:00 p.m.
West Dallas Multipurpose Community
Center
2828 Fish Trap Road
Dallas, Texas 75212

West Dallas Legal Clinic:

2nd and 4th Thursday of each month
6:00 p.m.
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Center
2828 Fish Trap Road
Dallas, Texas 75212

Triangle Clinic

3rd Tuesday of each month
6:00 p.m.
St. Philip's Academy
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Dallas, TX 75215

Garland Legal Clinic:

3rd Thursday of each month
6:00 p.m.
Salvation Army
451 W. Avenue D, Downtown Garland
Garland, Texas 75040

VA Clinic

1st Friday of each month
1:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Veteran's Resource Center
4900 South Lancaster Road
Dallas, TX 75216

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Wills Intake Clinics

2nd Wednesday of each month
9:00 a.m. – noon
Dallas County Agency on Aging
City of Dallas Adult Services
& other Senior Citizens Centers
Location varies

Pro Se Legal Clinics:

Assisted Divorce Clinic
Held weekly at DVAP office
Time varies

Prove Up Clinic

2nd Tuesday of each month
4:30 p.m., Scheduling required
George Allen Courts Building
600 Commerce Street
Dallas, Texas 75202

Spanish Pro Se Clinics:

Pro Se Paternity Clinic
Pro Se Custody Clinic
DVAP Office, 3rd Floor
1515 Main Street
Dallas, Texas 75201

Allen Legal Clinic

2nd Thursday of each month - 6:00 p.m.
The First United Methodist Church
601 S. Greenville Ave.
Allen, TX

Plano Legal Clinic

3rd Thursday of each month - 6:00 p.m.
3528 East 14th Street
Plano, Texas

LegalLine, North Texas

Second and Third Wednesday of each month. LegalLine is an anonymous telephone hotline where volunteer attorneys will answer your legal questions for FREE by answering phone calls from 5:30 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. There are Spanish-speaking attorneys when available. The telephone number to call is (214) 220-7476. Callers are welcome to call with ANY kind of legal question.

SMU Dedman School of Law Legal Clinics
(214) 768-2562

Offers Legal Clinics in specialty areas. Cases are handled by law students whose work is overseen by supervising attorneys. To reach the clinics and the schedules, visit:
www.law.smu.edu/academics/clinical-program.aspx.

Civil Clinic

Represents low-income clients in matters ranging from housing disputes to elder advocacy to civil rights litigation.

Criminal Justice Clinic

Represents Dallas county citizens charged with criminal offenses. Works with the Dallas Public Defender's Office and provides students with jury trial experience.

VanSickle Family Law Clinic

The Clinic provides assistance to unrepresented family law litigants in our community. The seminar component will integrate substantive law, theory, core lawyering skills and legal ethics

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to provide law students real world law practice experience. Under the supervision of an experienced clinical faculty member, student attorneys represent and provide counsel to low-income clients in matters of family law such as divorce, child custody, visitation, paternity, modifications, enforcement actions, child support, and adoption.

Federal Taxpayers Clinic

Represents low-income taxpayers needing to resolve tax problems with the Audit, Appeals and Collection divisions of the I.R.S. and the U.S. Tax Court. First tax clinic in the country with the authority to represent clients before the Internal Revenue Service and the U.S. Tax Court.

W. W. Caruth, Jr. Child Advocacy Clinic

Represents children who have been abused and neglected in Dallas County. The Clinic is appointed by juvenile district court judges to serve as guardian/attorney ad litem.

Consumer Advocacy Project

Reaches out to the local bilingual Hispanic community and helps resolve consumer complaints. Focuses on formal litigation and focuses on informal advocacy, negotiation and mediation strategies, as well as community education.

Judge Elmo B. Hunter Legal Center for Victims of Crimes Against Women

The Hunter Legal Center has partnered with established local community organizations to serve women who are most critically in need of legal assistance in matters including, but not limited to, obtaining orders of protection, family law, humanitarian immigration claims, and post-conviction relief.

Innocence Clinic

The Dedman Law School and the Dallas County Public Defender Office join together in the battle against wrongful convictions.

Patent and Trademark Law Clinics

The SMU Dedman Law is part of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office's law school clinic certification program.

Small Business & Trademark Clinic

In the Small Business and Trademark Clinic, our student attorneys draft and file trademark applications and gain experience answering Office Actions and communicating with trademark examining attorneys for the applications they have filed and these services:

- Start-up services for non-profit organizations, including assisting in applying for tax-exempt status
- Start-up services for small for-profit businesses, including counseling on organizational structure and operations
- Preparation of various documents used in the formation of new businesses
- Negotiation and drafting of legal contracts and documents used by small businesses and non-profit organizations
- Legal advice regarding the implications and use of various contracts, leases and other documents
- Review of contracts presented to small businesses and non-profit organizations by third parties
- Preparation of Copyright and Trademark applications

Catholic Charities Immigration and Legal Services
(214) 634-7182

9461 LBJ Freeway,
Suite 100
Dallas, TX 75243

The Immigration and Legal Services program of Catholic Charities of Dallas was established in 1975 in response to the growing number of immigrants moving to the North Texas area. Program caseworkers are committed to help individuals understand the immigration law and to know their rights under the law. The program provides a broad range of immigration counseling and representation to immigrants and their families. Services we offer include:

- Family Visa Petitions
- Adjustment of Status Applications
- Consular Visa Processing
- Representation of Abused Women/Victims of Violent Crimes
- Naturalization/Citizenship Applications
- Applications for Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals
- Permanent resident applications for refugees and asylees
- Document renewals and replacements
- Education and Outreach about immigration law

Central Office

9461 LBJ Fwy.
Suite 100
Dallas, TX 75243

Individual consultations are provided in person at our office on a first-come, first-served basis on Tuesday through Saturday (except the last Saturday of the month). Each individual will receive a numbered ticket upon arrival, beginning at 7:30 a.m.

West Dallas Office

2843 Lapsley St.
Dallas, TX 75212

You must have a scheduled appointment in order to be served by our staff at the West Dallas location. We currently do not accept walk-ins. Appointments are available Monday - Friday starting at 8:00 a.m. and are scheduled every 45 minutes. Call (214) 217-5600 to schedule an appointment.

Justice For Our Neighbors – DFW

www.jfondfw.org

E-mail: office@jfondfw.org, Phone: 817-310-3820

Service Sites in Fort Worth, Richardson, and Grapevine

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Offers a variety of immigration legal services: Immigration Advice and Counseling, Family Petitions, Naturalization, Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA), Adjustment of Status (Green Cards), Violence Against Women Petitions (VAWA), Temporary Protected Status, Special Immigration Juvenile Status, and U&T Visas (for victims of crime or trafficking).

CitySquare – Legal Action Works
(214) 827-1000

511 N. Akard Street
Suite 302
Dallas, TX 75201

Legal Action Works (LAW) provides legal services to low-income families who could not otherwise afford legal representation to handle family crises. Resolving legal issues increases the level of safety, security and stability for our clients and their families as they work toward lifting themselves out of poverty. See more at: <http://www.citysquare.org/law>. LAW also charges fees on a sliding scale basis for those who do not make enough to pay for traditional legal services

Human Rights Initiative of North Texas, Inc.
(214) 855-0520

2801 Swiss Avenue
Dallas, TX 75204
Monday – Friday 9 a.m. to 12 p.m., and 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Human Rights Initiative is committed to providing high-quality legal services free of charge to those seeking asylum, relief under the Violence Against Women Act, Victims of Trafficking and Violence Protection Act, immigrant victims of violent crime and immigrant child victims of abuse, neglect, and abandonment.

Texas Civil Rights Project
(972) 333-9200

1412 Main St.
Ste. #608
Dallas, Texas 75202

In its twenty-five year history, TCRP has brought thousands of strategic lawsuits, defending voting rights, fighting institutional discrimination and reforming systems of criminal justice. Our efforts have helped countless low-income and otherwise marginalized Texans.

Equal Justice Center
(469) 228-4226

1250 W. Mockingbird Lane
Suite 455

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Dallas, TX 75247-4902

The Equal Justice Center provides legal assistance to qualifying low-income individuals, empowering low-income families, workers, and communities to achieve fair treatment in the workplace, in the justice system, and in our shared society - regardless of immigration status.

MOSAIC Family Services
(214) 823-4434

12225 Greenville Avenue
Suite 800
Dallas, TX 75243

The goal of the Multicultural Legal Service Program is to provide legal services in the areas of immigration and family law to immigrant and refugee victims of domestic violence and human trafficking. We are the only agency in North Texas providing free comprehensive legal representation in both family law and immigration. We focus on educating as many potential clients to help avoid continued manipulation and exploitation, and seek to represent those most in need.

We offer the following free legal services:

Family Law Assistance

Divorce
Child Custody
Protective orders
Child Support

Immigration assistance

U-visa (Victim of Crime)
T-visa (Human Trafficking)
VAWA Self-petition (Domestic Violence)
Adjustment of status (green card), citizenship, and other assistance for refugees

Disability Rights Texas
(214) 630-0916

North Texas Regional Office
1420 West Mockingbird Lane, Suite 450
Dallas, TX 75247-4932

Our mission is to help people with disabilities understand and exercise their rights under the law, ensuring their full and equal participation in society. Our attorneys and advocates fulfill our mission in the following ways:

- Provide direct legal assistance to people with disabilities whose rights are threatened or violated
- Protect the rights of individuals and groups of people with disabilities through the courts and justice system

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- Educate and inform policy makers about issues that impact the rights and services for people with disabilities
- Inform people with disabilities and family members about their rights
- Make referrals to programs and services

Workers Defense Project
(469) 657-3928

11001 Midway Roadway
Dallas, TX 75216

Workers Defense Project works with all low-income workers to ensure dignified treatment in the workplace:

- Recovering back wages for workers who have been denied payment for their work
- Assisting injured workers to receive medical attention and compensation
- Providing pro-se trainings that orient and prepare low-wage workers and independent contractors to represent themselves in Justice Court.
- Connect workers to social service agencies and partner attorneys.
- Assisting individuals to apply for DACA and obtain immigration relief and employment authorization.

Legal Hospice of Texas
(214) 521-6622

1825 Market Center Blvd.
Suite 550
Dallas, Texas 75207

All clients of Legal Hospice of Texas must meet certain requirements to qualify for services. Services include estate planning issues, insurance issues, employment issues, housing discrimination and eviction, credit issues, and benefits issues (e.g., social security, counseling).

Community Lawyering Center (UNT Law School)

Frazier Location
4716 Elsie Fay Heggins Street
Dallas, TX 75210
(469) 351-0024

Downtown at Citywalk Location
511 North Akard
Dallas, TX 75201
(214) 855-7892

Call closest location for appointment. Non-exclusive list of assistance provided includes housing, rental agreements, disability claims, access to government benefits, driver's license issues, family law, child support, immigration, wills and probate, guardianship for children or elderly, veterans claims, criminal offenses, expunctions and orders of non-disclosure, and mediations. Eligible residents can seek free legal services provided by UNT law students that are supervised by experienced and practicing attorneys.