

# LOCAL LEGAL RESOURCES

## GENERAL SERVICES AND REFERRALS

*Serving a varied clientele and a broad range of legal issues.*

### →Alameda County Bar Association Lawyer Referral Service and Volunteer Legal Services Corporation

510-302-2222 option 4 M-F 8:30am-4pm [www.acbanet.org](http://www.acbanet.org)  
No walk-ins. Call for intake/eligibility/information via phone operator. Referrals to private attorneys in most areas of the law (Fee: \$35 - includes 30 minute consultation). Free legal advice and pro bono services to qualifying low-income clients.

### →Alameda County Superior Court Self Help and Family Law Services

1225 Fallon St. Room 250 Oakland 94612 walk-in 8:30am-12noon  
510-272-1393 M-Th 2pm-4pm [www.alameda.courts.ca.gov](http://www.alameda.courts.ca.gov)  
Workshops, clinics, information, court forms and assistance with family law, small claims, restraining orders, unlawful detainers, general civil actions, name changes.

### →Bay Area Legal Aid

1735 Telegraph Ave. Oakland 94612  
510-250-5270 M/Th 9:30am-3pm, Tu/W 9:30am-1pm  
855-693-7285 Health Care Access M-F 9am-5pm  
510-663-4755 Office M-F 9am-5pm [www.baylegal.org/client-services](http://www.baylegal.org/client-services)  
Free legal services in housing issues, consumer law and public benefits, health care access, SSI, immigration. Legal advice for victims of domestic violence by referral only. Call for eligibility and appointments.

### →Berkeley Public Library—Lawyers in the Library

*Call first to verify lawyers' availability. Free legal advice and referrals in areas such as employment, landlord/tenant rights, and domestic relations. In-person sign-ups only, beginning at 5pm.*

**Claremont Branch** 2940 Benvenue Ave. Berkeley 94705  
510-981-6280 [Second Th, 6pm-7:30pm. Sign-ups begin at 5pm.  
Names pulled by lottery at 6pm.]

**North Branch** 1170 The Alameda Berkeley 94707  
510-981-6250 [Third Th, 6pm-7:30pm. Sign-ups begin at 5pm.  
Names pulled by lottery at 6pm.]

**South Branch** 1907 Russell St. Berkeley 94703  
510-981-6260 [Fourth Th, 6pm-7:30pm. Sign-ups begin at 5pm.  
Names pulled by lottery at 6pm.]

**West Branch** 1125 University Ave. Berkeley 94702  
510-981-6270 [Second F, 10-11:30am. Sign-ups begin Thursday night prior at 6pm. Drop-ins also taken on Friday morning.]

### →East Bay Community Law Center

2921 Adeline Berkeley 94703  
510-548-4040 Call M-F 9-5 [www.ebclc.org](http://www.ebclc.org)  
Free outreach services from UC Berkeley Law students to qualifying low-income Alameda County residents regarding community reentry, housing, public benefits, immigration, health and welfare. Call to establish eligibility.

### →Oakland Public Library—Lawyers in the Library

[www.oaklandlibrary.org/services/lawyers-library](http://www.oaklandlibrary.org/services/lawyers-library) Free legal advice and referrals. Call first to verify lawyers' availability and sign-up times. Names pulled by lottery. Call for more information and additional locations.

**Main Library** 125 14<sup>th</sup> St. Oakland 94612  
510-238-3134 [Lawyers available first four W and Th of the month, 6pm-8pm. First W handles bankruptcy issues only]

### Oakland Public Library—Lawyers in the Library, continued

**Rockridge Branch** 5366 College Ave. Oakland 94618  
510-597-5017 [First Tu of the month 5pm-7pm]

**Temescal Branch** 5205 Telegraph Ave. Oakland 94609  
510-597-5049 [First M of the month 6pm-8pm]

## LAW LIBRARIES

### →Bernard E. Witkin Alameda County Law Library

125 12<sup>th</sup> St. Oakland 94607  
510-272-6491 Circulation / 510-208-4832 Reference  
510-208-4800 Office [www.acgov.org/law](http://www.acgov.org/law)  
M/W/F 8:30am-6pm; Tu/Th 8:30am-9pm  
County legal library. Alameda County residents, 18 and over, may borrow circulating materials. Additional benefits by membership.

### →UC Berkeley Law Library

Boalt Hall, UC Berkeley Campus Berkeley 94720  
510-642-0900 Reference Desk / 510-642-0621 Patron Services  
[www.law.berkeley.edu/library](http://www.law.berkeley.edu/library)

Hours vary; see website or call for more information.  
Academic law library, open to the public for in-house legal research but with priority given to UC students, faculty and staff.

## MEDIATION

### →Alternative Dispute Resolution Placement Service

510-891-6055 <http://www.alameda.courts.ca.gov/Pages.aspx/Civil>  
Lists mediation, arbitration, or neutral evaluation services.

### →SEEDS Community Resolution Center

2530 San Pablo Ave., Suite A Berkeley 94702  
510-548-2377 M-Th 9-5; F 9-2 [www.seedscrc.org](http://www.seedscrc.org)  
Mediation and conflict resolution services.

## SPECIFIC SERVICES AND EMPHASES

*For detailed information, check each organization's listing at the Berkeley Public Library website:*

[berkeleypubliclibrary.org/explore/community-resources](http://berkeleypubliclibrary.org/explore/community-resources)

## ART AND ARTISTS

### →California Lawyers for the Arts

2140 Shattuck Ave., Suite 310 Berkeley, CA 94704  
510-990-6033 M-F 10-5  
888-775-8995 Lawyer Referral [www.calawyersforthearts.org](http://www.calawyersforthearts.org)  
\$30 fee for referrals. Arbitration and mediation, clinics, workshops.

## CHILDREN AND YOUTH

### →Legal Services for Children

1254 Market St. 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor San Francisco 94102  
415-863-3762 M-F 9-5 [www.lsc-sf.org](http://www.lsc-sf.org)  
For clients under age 18 regarding issues of abuse, emancipation, immigration, and LGBTQQ rights.

## CIVIL RIGHTS

### →American Civil Liberties Union

39 Drumm St. San Francisco 94111 [www.aclunc.org](http://www.aclunc.org)  
415-621-2493 Office, 415-621-2488 Legal Assistance

### →Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights

131 Steuart St. Suite 400 San Francisco 94105  
415-543-9444 M-F 9-5:30 [www.lccr.com](http://www.lccr.com)

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## DISABILITY RIGHTS

*These organizations may litigate in ADA-related areas.*

### →Disability Rights Advocates (DRA)

2001 Center St. 4<sup>th</sup> Floor Berkeley 94704  
510-665-8644, TTY 510-665-8716 M-F 9am-5:30pm [www.dralegal.org](http://www.dralegal.org)

### →Disability Rights California

1330 Broadway, Suite 500 Oakland 94612  
800-776-5746 Toll-free, TTY 800-719-5798 M-F 9am-5pm  
510-267-1200 Office [www.disabilityrightsca.org](http://www.disabilityrightsca.org)

### →Disability Rights Education and Defense Fund (DREDF)

3075 Adeline St. Suite 210 Berkeley 94703  
510-644-2555, TTY 510-841-8645 M-F 9am-5pm [www.dredf.org](http://www.dredf.org)

### →Legal Aid Society Employment Law Center (LAS-ELC)

#### Workers' Rights Disability Law Clinic

Ed Roberts Campus 3075 Adeline St. Berkeley 94703  
415-864-8848 Clinic T 6:30 Appointment only [www.las-etc.org](http://www.las-etc.org)

## DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

### →Family Violence Law Center

470 27<sup>th</sup> St. Oakland 94612 [www.fvlc.org](http://www.fvlc.org)  
800-947-8301 24-hr. crisis line / 510-208-0220 Office M-F 9am-5pm  
Information and referrals. Crisis line available 24/7.

## ENVIRONMENT

### →Earthjustice

50 California St. Suite 500 San Francisco 94111  
1-800-584-6460 M-F 9am-5pm [www.earthjustice.org](http://www.earthjustice.org)

### →Environmental Law Foundation

1736 Franklin St. 9<sup>th</sup> floor Oakland 94612  
510-208-4555 M-F 9am-5pm [www.envirolaw.org](http://www.envirolaw.org)

## HEALTH AND MEDICAL

### →AIDS Legal Referral Panel [for people with HIV/AIDS]

1663 Mission St. Suite 500 San Francisco 94103  
415-701-1100 Client / 415-701-1200 Office [www.alrp.org](http://www.alrp.org)

### →Americans for Safe Access [medical marijuana legal issues]

770 L St., Suite 950 Sacramento 94612  
916-449-3975 M-F 10am-5pm [www.americansforsafeaccess.org](http://www.americansforsafeaccess.org)

### →Family Caregiver Alliance [for medical caregivers]

785 Market St. Suite 750 San Francisco 94103  
415-434-3388 M-F 9am-5pm [www.caregiver.org](http://www.caregiver.org)

## HOMELESSNESS

### →Homeless Action Center

3126 Shattuck Ave. Berkeley 94705  
510-540-0878 M/W/Th 9am-5pm, Tu 1pm-5pm  
[www.homelessactioncenter.org](http://www.homelessactioncenter.org)  
Free legal/public benefits advocacy for the mentally ill and homeless.

## HOUSING

### →Eviction Defense Center

1611 Telegraph Ave. Suite 726 Oakland 94612  
510-452-4541 M-F 9am-5pm

Defends low-income tenants who face eviction.

See also **East Bay Community Law Center** on reverse.

## IMMIGRATION AND NATURALIZATION

### →Asian Pacific Islander Legal Outreach

1305 Franklin St. Suite 410 Oakland 94612  
510-251-2846 M-W, F 9am-5pm [www.apilegaloutreach.org](http://www.apilegaloutreach.org)

### →Asian Law Caucus

55 Columbus Ave San Francisco 94111  
415-896-1701 M-F 9am-5pm [www.asianlawcaucus.org](http://www.asianlawcaucus.org)

## IMMIGRATION AND NATURALIZATION, continued

### →Centro Legal de La Raza

3022 International Blvd. Suite 410 Oakland 94601  
510-437-1544 M-Th 9am-12noon and 2pm-4pm [www.centrolegal.org](http://www.centrolegal.org)

### →International Institute of the Bay Area

405 14<sup>th</sup> St. Suite 500 Oakland 94612  
510-451-2846 M-F 9am-5pm [www.iibayarea.org](http://www.iibayarea.org)

### →La Raza Centro Legal

474 Valencia St. Suite 295 San Francisco 94103  
415-575-3500 M-Th 10am-12noon, 1pm-4pm, F 10am-1pm  
[www.lrccl.org](http://www.lrccl.org)

See also **Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights** on reverse

## LGBTQQ

*Lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, and questioning.*

### →National Center for Lesbian Rights

870 Market St. Suite 370 San Francisco 94102  
1-800-528-6257 or 415-392-6257 M-F 9-5 [www.nclrights.org](http://www.nclrights.org)

### →Community United Against Violence (CUAV)

427 South Van Ness Ave. San Francisco 94103  
415-333-4357 Helpline 415-777-5500 Office M-F 10-6 [www.cuav.org](http://www.cuav.org)

### →Transgender Law Center

1629 Telegraph Ave. Suite 400 Oakland 94612  
415-865-0176 ex. 308 M-F 9-5 [www.transgenderlawcenter.org](http://www.transgenderlawcenter.org)

## NATIVE AMERICAN

### →California Indian Legal Services

117 J St. Suite 300 Sacramento 95814  
1-800-829-0284 or 916-978-0960 M-F 9-5 [www.calindian.org](http://www.calindian.org)  
Child welfare cases, Indian wills and estates, and civil rights issues.

## PRISONERS AND PRISONS

### →Justice Now

1322 Webster St. Suite 210 Oakland 94612  
510-839-7654 T-F 10-6 [www.inow.org](http://www.inow.org)  
Legal services and advocacy for female prisoners. Does not handle appeals of convictions or civil suits.

## SENIORS

### →Legal Assistance for Seniors (LAS)

1970 Broadway Suite 300 Oakland 94612  
510-832-3040 M-F 9-5 [www.lashicap.org](http://www.lashicap.org)  
Medi-Cal, Medicare, HMOs, Social Security, SSI, elder abuse, guardianship, immigration, and health care directives.

## VETERANS

### →Swords to Plowshares

1433 Webster St. Suite 100 Oakland 94612  
510-891-8773 [www.swords-to-plowshares.org](http://www.swords-to-plowshares.org)  
Drop-ins M-Th 9:30am-12noon; Appointment only M-Th 1pm-5pm

## WORKERS' RIGHTS

### →Legal Aid Society Employment Law Center (LAS-ELC)

**Neighborhood Justice Clinic**  
3130 Shattuck Ave. Berkeley 94705

415-864-8848 Clinic Th 6:30-8pm [www.las-etc.org](http://www.las-etc.org)

## WOMEN'S RIGHTS

### →Equal Rights Advocates

1170 Market St. Suite 700 San Francisco 94102  
800-839-4372 Advice and Counseling / 415-621-0672 Office  
[www.equalrights.org](http://www.equalrights.org)

For marginalized working women and working families.

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