LEGAL ASSISTANCE SERVICES

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LEGAL AID

OF WESTERN MISSOURI

Legal Aid of Western Missouri has improved the lives of those in need through quality legal assistance since 1964.

We are a not-for-profit law firm with more than 60 licensed attorneys. Each year, we provide free legal assistance to approximately 10,000 individuals and families experiencing poverty who have civil (non-criminal) legal problems. Legal Aid helps people access basic needs such as healthcare, housing, safety and government benefits.

With offices in Kansas City, Independence, Joplin, St. Joseph and Warrensburg, Legal Aid serves a 40-county area in western Missouri.

APPLICATION

REQUIREMENTS:

In order to qualify for help from Legal Aid, you must:

+ Meet our income requirements.
+ Have a legal problem that falls within our practice area.
+ Live within our service area.

If you are unsure about whether or not you are qualified for help from Legal Aid, go ahead and apply.

HOW TO APPLY:

For help with your legal problem, you can apply online at www.lawmo.org or call the phone number listed for the office that serves your county. Please be ready to answer questions about your household income and your legal problem. It helps if you have the papers about your legal problem with you when you call.

We respect your privacy. Legal Aid will not share any information regarding you or your case unless you want us to.

Legal Aid's phone lines can get busy at certain times of the day. Your call is important, so keep trying. Don't wait until the last minute to call about an emergency.

COST OF LEGAL AID:

Our service is FREE. You may be asked to pay court costs or other filing fees. Legal Aid has resources to help with these costs. Please apply even if you think you can't afford it.

TRANSLATORS & SPECIAL NEEDS:

We always try to work with applicants with Limited English Proficiency and other special needs. Please let our receptionist know if you require a translator or special services.

Si necesita un intérprete, pídale a nuestra recepcionista.

OUR PRACTICE AREA

LEGAL CASES

Legal Aid Handles:

+ Family law/domestic violence protection
+ Landlord/tenant law
+ Foreclosure prevention
+ Housing issues
+ Healthcare
+ Public benefits
+ Employment law
+ Immigration law
+ Federal benefits
+ Consumer matters
+ Economic Development

Legal Aid Does Not Handle:

+ Personal injury lawsuits
+ Workers' Compensation cases
+ Criminal cases, including traffic violations
+ Class actions
+ Actions on behalf of those in prison or jail

If you qualify for help from Legal Aid, we may do one of the following things:

+ Advise you about how to solve your problem yourself. We may also give you some written information about your legal rights.
+ Ask you to send us more information about your case. We will review it before we meet with you again to give you more advice.
+ Do some legal research and discuss your legal issues before we advise you. We will meet with you again later.
+ Represent you in court or at a hearing.

If we are unable to take your case, we may be able to refer you to other agencies or resources that can help you with your legal problem.

OUR SERVICE AREA

KANSAS CITY

Central Office:
4001 Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd., Suite 300
Kansas City, MO 64106
Tel: 816-474-6750

Neighborhood Development:
6285 Paseo Blvd.
Kansas City, MO 64110
Tel: 816-474-9868

Counties served:

+ Clay
+ Jackson
+ Platte

INDEPENDENCE

304 W. Walnut, Suite 100
Independence, MO 64050
Tel: 816-474-6750

Counties served:

+ Clay
+ Jackson
+ Platte

JOPLIN

1027 South Main
Suite LL7
Joplin, MO 64801
Tel: 417-782-1650
Toll: 1 (800) 492-7095

Counties served:

+ Barton
+ Bates
+ Jasper
+ McDonald
+ Newton
+ Vernon

ST. JOSEPH

3110 Karnes Rd, Suite 100
St. Joseph, MO 64506
Tel: 816-364-2325
Toll: 1 (800) 892-2101

Counties served:

+ Andrew
+ Atchison
+ Buchanan
+ Caldwell
+ Clinton
+ Daviess
+ DeKalb
+ Gentry
+ Grundy
+ Harrison
+ Holt
+ Linn
+ Livingston
+ Mercer
+ Nodaway
+ Putnam
+ Sullivan
+ Worth

WARRENSBURG

Vist: 305 North Holden
Mail: P.O. Box 396
Warrensburg, MO 64093
Tel: 660-747-7101
Toll: 1 (800) 892-2943

Counties served:

+ Benton
+ Camden
+ Carroll
+ Cass
+ Henry
+ Hickory
+ Johnson
+ Lafayette
+ Morgan
+ Pettis
+ Ray
+ Saline
+ St. Clair

FOR MORE INFORMATION:

www.lawmo.org
Or, call the location nearest you:

+ **Central Kansas City:**
  Tel: 816-474-6750
+ **Neighborhood Development Kansas City:**
  Tel: 816-474-9868
+ **Independence:**
  Tel: 816-474-6750
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