Who We Are

Established in 1911, Maryland Legal Aid is a private, non-profit law firm providing free civil legal services to people who are low-income statewide. We serve residents of Baltimore City and Maryland's 23 counties from 12 full-service offices (see back panel).

Maryland Legal Aid receives funding from federal, state, and local governments, foundations, law firms, the United Way, and other private sources. Some of our funders prohibit us from representing clients whose income exceeds a certain amount and limit the types of cases that we can accept for representation. Because of these funding limitations, most of our clients have incomes at or below 125% of the federal poverty guidelines.

What We Do

Maryland Legal Aid's areas of practice include housing, health care, government benefits, family, child advocacy, consumer, education, and employment. Clients receive legal assistance for a variety of issues, such as:

- Fighting unlawful evictions
- Advocating for improvement of substandard housing
- Acquiring needed health care
- Obtaining disability and other income assistance
- Maintaining custody of their children and obtaining, preserving, or increasing child support
- Preventing foreclosures or mitigating their effects
- Recovering unpaid wages
- Remedying fraudulent sales practices and predatory contracts
- Restoring utilities
- Dealing with debts and debt collectors
- Resolving subsidized housing problems
- Obtaining unemployment benefits
- Gaining protection against domestic violence
- Securing educational services
- Expunging criminal records to remove barriers to obtaining housing, employment, and child custody

We cannot accept criminal, personal injury, or traffic court matters, even if a person is financially eligible. For these kinds of cases and any others that Maryland Legal Aid may not be able to handle, referrals are made to appropriate organizations and agencies that may be able to provide assistance.

Who We Serve

While services are available to all who meet Maryland Legal Aid's financial eligibility and case acceptance guidelines, special programs provide representation and assistance for:

- Children who are victims of abuse and neglect
- Nursing home and assisted living residents
- Tenants and community groups working to preserve affordable housing
- Migrant and seasonal farmworkers
- Persons with HIV/AIDS
- Homeowners facing foreclosure
- Tenants at risk of eviction because of a foreclosure
- Veterans seeking benefits and assistance with related legal issues

All of our services are provided free of charge.



How We Help

Maryland Legal Aid is dedicated to providing high-quality legal advocacy to protect and advance human rights for individuals, families, and communities. We achieve our clients' goals through a broad continuum of services, which includes brief advice and service, self-help assistance and targeted referrals to private attorneys and other organizations, community legal education and outreach, systemic advocacy and collaborative endeavors with other entities, and litigation in state and federal trial and appellate courts.

More Information

For additional information about Maryland Legal Aid's programs and services, employment, and volunteer opportunities, or to support our work through a financial contribution, visit our website at www.mdlab.org.



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