South Asian Legal Clinic of BC's Community Referral List









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Free and Low Cost Legal Assistance

Access Pro Bono

- Lawyer Referral Service: Free consultation with a lawyer for up to 30 minutes
 - o Call 604-687-3221 or toll-free 1-800-663-1919
 - o Available 8:30 AM to 5:00 PM, Monday to Friday
 - o You can also book online: https://www.accessprobono.ca/our-programs/lawyer-referral-service
- South Asian Legal Clinic
 - o 30 minutes of free summary legal advice on topics such as immigration, child protection and custody, separation and divorce, domestic violence, sexual assault, racial discrimination and profiling, economic justice for workers, elder abuse, mental health, and wills and estates.
 - You can make an appointment by contacting Access Pro Bono at 1-877-762-6664

Legal Aid BC

- Free legal advice and representation if your monthly income and property is below a certain limit.
- Legal Aid BC assists with family problems, child protection matters, criminal law issues, and some immigration, mental health, and prison law issues.
- Call 604-408-2172 or 1-866-577-2525
- Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday: 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM
- Wednesday: 9:00 AM to 2:30 PM
- https://legalaid.bc.ca/

Community Legal Assistance Society

- Free legal assistance for housing, human rights complaints, mental health law, accessing government benefits, work related issues, and sexual harassment in the workplace.
- Their website has self-help guides to teach you more about these topics under the "Resources" tab.
- 604-685-3425 or toll-free 1-888-685-6222
- https://clasbc.net/



UBC Law Students Legal Advice Program ("LSLAP")

- Free legal advice and representation from law students for low-income individuals in the Lower Mainland.
- LSLAP assists with criminal, civil resolution, small claims, employment standards, residential tenancy, WCB, consumer protection, employment insurance, CPP and old-age pension, wills and estates, and immigration and refugee matters.
- Call **604-822-5791**
- https://www.lslap.bc.ca/

Migrant Workers Centre

- Free legal advice and representation for migrant workers about employment law, immigration law, labour exploitation and trafficking, and workplace sexual harassment.
- Their website contains fact sheets and recordings of workshops of immigration law and employment-related issues for migrant workers under the "Public Legal Education" tab.
- Call 604-669-4482 or 1-888-669-4482
- Email info@mwcbc.ca

Tenant Resource and Advocacy Centre

- Free legal education and advocacy for tenants in BC
- Free legal information and legal services through their Tenant Infoline program:
 - o Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 1:00 PM to 5:00 PM
 - o Wednesday 5:30 PM to 8:30 PM
- Call 604-255-0546 or 1-800-665-1185
- Their website has template letters you can use to communicate with your landlord in writing, as well as other helpful information under the "Resources" tab.
- https://tenants.bc.ca/

Disability Alliance BC

- Disability Law Clinic
 - Free legal advice and representation to people with disabilities who are dealing with human rights violations and discrimination in the Disability Law Clinic Program
 - Leave a message at 236-427-1108 or toll-free 1-800-663-1278
 - Email: lawclinic@disabilityalliancebc.org
- Free assistance to people with disabilities in accessing disability benefits, filing taxes, and many other programs.
- https://disabilityalliancebc.org/

Immigration and Refugee Legal Clinic

- Free legal advice and representation for immigration and refugee matters
- Call **778-372-6583**
- https://www.irlc.ca/about/

Seniors First BC

- Free legal services for older adults, including: preparing wills, powers of attorney, and representation agreements, helping you understand and prepare for your own legal proceedings, some representation at certain court hearings, adult guardianship, and general legal advice.
- Confidential Seniors Abuse and Information Line where older adults can talk to a trained intake worker about abuse or mistreatment and receive information and support about issues that impact their health and well-being..
- Call 604-437-1940 or toll-free 1-866-437-1940
- Weekdays, 8:00 AM to 8:00 PM and weekends 10:00 AM to 5:30 PM, excluding statutory holidays
- https://seniorsfirstbc.ca/

Child and Youth Legal Centre

- Free information and support for people experiencing legal issues up to 19 years old, including family law, child protection, and human rights.
- Call 778-657-5544 or 1-877-462-0037
- https://www.scyofbc.org/

Battered Women's Support Services

- Free legal support and information for women who have experienced abuse. This includes services regarding family law, child protection, or immigration law matters.
- Crisis Support for women, LGBTQ2S and non-binary survivors of violence.
 - o 24-7 Crisis and Intake:
 - o Call 1-855-687-1868 or text 604-652-1867
- https://www.bwss.org/

RISE Women's Legal Centre

- Free legal services from law students for self-identifying women in family law and some limited immigration matters.
- Call 236-317-9000 or email intake@womenslegalcentre.ca
- https://womenslegalcentre.ca/

Community Support (Non-Legal)

Amici Curiae

- Free assistance with completing legal forms and preparing for appearing at a hearing/trial.
- You can contact Amici Curiae in 3 ways:
 - Use the online appointment request form on the website
 - Leave a message at 778-522-2839
 - Email legalformsbc@gmail.com
- https://www.legalformsbc.ca/#/

Information and Research Tools

People's Law School

- Free information and clear explanations about the laws in BC
 - o https://www.peopleslawschool.ca/
- Dial A Law: Free information on the law in BC in 190 topic areas
 - o Call **604-687-4680** or toll-free **1-800-565-5297**
 - o https://dialalaw.peopleslawschool.ca/

Clicklaw

- Free legal information and resources on the law in BC, operated by the Courthouse Libraries BC.
- https://www.clicklaw.bc.ca/

PovNet

- The online **Find an Advocate** tool can help you find services in your area related to your issue (e.g housing, human rights, etc.)
 - o https://www.povnet.org/find-an-advocate

<u>CanLII</u>

- A free database of legal cases, legislation, and commentary, including articles and books about the law in Canada.
- https://www.canlii.org/en/



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