

Family Law, Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault, Protective Services

<p>Washington Law Help</p> <p>WashingtonLawHelp.org has frequently updated self-help packets, forms, videos, and information on community resources - Many of which are available in other languages.</p>	<p>Call 211</p> <p>(You can also call: 206-461-3200 or 1-877-211-9274)</p> <p>211 is an interactive social services directory.</p> <p>With more than 6,000 services listed, it is often the most effective way to get connected to the right legal aid agency in King County.</p>
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General Family Law Clinics

<p>King County Bar Association Family Law Clinics A Neighborhood Legal Clinic</p>	<p>Half hour free appointments with attorneys who can advise clients regarding family law issues. There are extremely limited appointments (about 30 a week across 5 locations: North Seattle, South Seattle, Federal Way, Kent, and Bellevue) with very high demand. For best results, call exactly 1 week prior to the clinic you are hoping to schedule at, as close to 9:00 AM as possible. Must be under 425% of the Federal Poverty Level for family law clinics.</p>	<p>206-267-7070 Call Tues – Thurs, 9 AM – Noon</p>
<p>SGB/LBAW Spanish Language Clinic A Neighborhood Legal Clinic Partnership</p>	<p>In partnership with the Latina/o Bar Association of Washington, Schroeter Goldmark Bender, and Centro de la Raza. Intended for the Latin American / Hispanic community. Half hour free appointments with attorneys. All clinics have at least 1 family law attorney and multiple immigration attorneys. No appointments. Show up at 4:00 PM for better chances of getting seen, especially for family law or immigration issues.</p>	<p>2nd Wed Each Month, Starts at 6:00 PM Centro de la Raza in Seattle, 3rd Floor 2524 16th Ave S, Seattle, WA 98144</p>
<p>QLAW Clinic A Neighborhood Legal Clinic Partnership</p>	<p>In partnership with the LGBTQ Bar of Washington and Seattle Counseling Services. Half hour free appointments with attorneys who can advise LGBTQ clients regarding any civil legal issues. All clinics have at least 1 family law attorney and 1 immigration attorney. Phone consultations are available when needed.</p>	<p>1st and 3rd Thursday of each month 206-235-7235</p>
<p>Entre Hermanos: Tu Organización Latina LGBTQ</p>	<p>Intended for the Latin American / Hispanic + LGBTQ community. Half hour free appointments with attorneys who can advise clients on immigration and/or family law issues. Depending on the case, Entre Hermanos can sometimes provide extensive support outside of just the clinic model including possible pro-bono representation.</p>	<p>206-322-7700 Call Mon – Fri, 10 AM – 5 PM</p>
<p>Rainier Valley Legal Clinic A Neighborhood Legal Clinic Partnership</p>	<p>In partnership with Asian Counseling and Referral Services and the Asian Bar Association of WA. Intended for the Asian American community. Half hour free appointments with attorneys. General, family law, and immigration attorneys available. Appointments scheduled far in advance, no immediate availabilities for time sensitive issues.</p>	<p>Every Wednesday evening 206-695-7639</p>
<p>International District Legal Clinic A Neighborhood Legal Clinic Partnership</p>	<p>In partnership with Chinese Information and Services Center and the Asian Bar Association of WA. Intended for the Asian American community (not just Chinese American). Half hour free appointments with attorneys. Appointments scheduled far in advance, no immediate availabilities for time sensitive issues. General, family law, and immigration attorneys available.</p>	<p>Every Tuesday evening 206-957-8548 Leave a message, wait up to 3 weeks to hear back</p>
<p>Middle Eastern Law Clinic A Neighborhood Legal Clinic Partnership</p>	<p>In partnership with the Middle Eastern Law Association of WA, the Muslim Community Resource Center, and the Muslim Association of Puget Sound. Intended for the Arab and/or Muslim community. Half hour free appointments with attorneys. General, family law, and immigration attorneys available.</p>	<p>Roughly one clinic a quarter Schedule online at www.mrcrseattle.org</p>
<p>Union Gospel Mission “Open Door” Walk-In Clinic</p>	<p>Help with legal questions including help filling out forms or writing letters. Clinic occurs at the Men’s Shelter Welcome Center on Friday afternoons. No appointments. Show up early and expect to wait several hours to be seen. Family law and immigration assistance available.</p>	<p>206-682-4642 Fridays, Starts at 1:45 PM 318 2nd Ave Ext S Seattle, WA 98104</p>
<p>Eastside Legal Assistance Clinics</p>	<p>Free appointments with attorneys at several clinics: General Family Law, DV Family Law, General Law, Immigration, and Bankruptcy. 30 minute appointments except for Bankruptcy and Family Law (45 minutes). Available for low income clients of Eastern King County. Low income DV survivors may schedule at this clinic regardless of where they live in King County. Phone consultations are available when needed.</p>	<p>425-747-7274 Call between 10:00 AM and 4:00 PM</p>

Other Family Law Resources

<p>KCBA Self-Help Plus</p>	<p>Assists with uncontested dissolution of marriage cases and establishing parenting plans when paternity has already been established. Aimed at clients who have barriers accessing the legal system such as language, cultural, and educational barriers - Clients who would otherwise have significant difficulty filing on their own. Does not provide legal representation. Clients must be under 200% of the Federal Poverty Level.</p>	<p>For a referral, attend an NLC Family Law Clinic to be screened for eligibility or call 206-267-7080 and leave a message</p>
<p>Moderate Means</p>	<p>Reduced fee attorneys for family law, consumer law, and housing law issues (only for those between 200% and 400% of the federal poverty level). Expect long wait times before being placed with an attorney.</p>	<p>855-741-6930 (leave a message), or apply online at www.moderatemeanswa.org</p>
<p>Limited License Legal Technician (LLLT)</p>	<p>Not attorneys. Trained and licensed to advise and assist clients on divorces with no real property, establishing parenting plans, and slight modifications. Will not go to court for clients. Typically lower cost than hiring an attorney although not necessarily.</p>	<p>www.wsba.org/LLLT</p>

Alternative Dispute Resolution

Volunteer Settlement Conference Program	Volunteer attorneys assist King County residents in settling divorce prior to trial. No income requirements and no cost, but both parties must agree to attend.	Seattle: 206-477-1353 Kent: 253-852-2345
Dispute Resolution Center of King County	Free Small Claims Court and Anti-Harassment mediation once client has already filed with District Court. Low-cost (\$35-\$800) mediation for: Neighborhood issues (landlord/tenant, roommates, noise, animals, parking, property lines, etc...), Business/Consumer issues, Family Law issues, Workplace issues, Elder Care, and Foreclosure. Expect to be seen within 3 weeks.	206-443-9603 www.kcdrc.org

Court and Government Resources

Family Court Services	Provides mediation, court-ordered parenting plan, and DV evaluations on a sliding fee scale.	FCS@KingCounty.Gov Seattle: (206) 477-1500 Kent: (206) 477-2740
Family Law Facilitators Office	For family law litigants who are not represented by attorneys. Provide information on how to start certain family law actions, explain what forms are needed and where to get them, and review complete to make sure they are complete. Facilitators cannot give legal advice, help people who are uncertain of what kind of legal action they need, or give instructions on how to fill out paperwork. Clients are charged a small fee depending on income. They also provide free classes for non-parental custody and dissolutions.	Seattle: 206-477-2553 Kent: 206-477-2781 Facilitator offices are found at the King County Superior Court and Kent Regional Justice Center

Child Support

Family Support Division: King County Prosecuting Attorney	Limited assistance for unmarried parents in establishing paternity and parenting plans. Will review support orders if eligible – Must apply through DCS.	Seattle: 206-296-9020 Kent: 206-296-9595
WA DSHS: Division of Child Support	Assistance establishing administrative support orders, enforcing orders of child support and reviewing current court or administrative orders for modification. All forms and other resources are available at the website in many languages. Information is available on the child support program, hearing rights, modifications, paternity, interstate child support, options for victims of domestic violence, employer guidelines, child support and foster care, direct deposit, and automatic support payments.	206-341-7000 www.dshs.wa.gov/dcs Youtube Channel: WashingtonStateDSHS

Domestic Violence and/or Sexual Assault: Legal Advice and Representation

DV Family Law Clinic New Beginnings A Neighborhood Legal Clinic Partnership	One hour free appointments with attorneys who can advise clients regarding family law issues that involved domestic violence. Clinic is located in Seattle and occurs every Wednesday evening.	206-783-2848 To schedule call Wed from 1 – 3 PM Appointments occur on the same day your call is received. 206-522-9472 (24/7 Helpline)
Northwest Justice Project (NJP)	<p>NJP operates 2 legal clinics with limited legal advice on a weekly basis: Debt Defense and Cross Cultural Domestic Violence Family Law.</p> <p>Cross Cultural Domestic Violence Family Law Clinic: Half hour free appointments with attorneys who can advise clients regarding family law issues that involved domestic violence. This clinic is designed for clients who are “multicultural” such as people of color or immigrants. Clinic is located in Seattle and occurs on Monday evenings. A Neighborhood Legal Clinic Partnership.</p> <p>NJP also provides representation in cases of: Family Law, Housing, Debt/Bankruptcy/Consumer Law, Public Benefits, Employment, and Native American Law.</p> <p>Family Law: Legal advice and representation in cases where:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A parent or child is at risk due to domestic violence, sexual or physical abuse, or abandonment or neglect. - There is domestic violence and the client is 55 years or older. - Non-parents are seeking custody due to abuse or neglect. - Parents are trying to gain guardianship of young adults with disabilities. - Clients are survivors of domestic violence in Seattle or those who recently fled from Seattle due to violence. Clients must be referred by a domestic violence advocate. 	<p>206-464-1519 or 888-201-1012 Ask the front desk for referral agencies for specific programs.</p> <p>For all programs, clients must be under 200% of the Federal Poverty Level.</p>
KCBA Family Law Mentor Program	Assists King County residents who are low-income married or unmarried parents with contested family law cases (dissolution, petitions to establish a parenting plan, or paternity cases) where children are at risk because of domestic violence, child abuse/neglect, or alcohol/drug abuse. Clients must be under 200% of the Federal Poverty Level.	For a referral, attend an NLC Family Law Clinic to be screened for eligibility or call 211

Project Safety	Provides direct legal assistance to domestic violence survivors of crime. Legal areas include: Family law, protection orders, immigration law, housing law, access to public benefits/healthcare/education, vacating convictions, employment law, protection of victim privacy, and consumer/debt issues. The legal issue must have arose as a result of the client's victimization.	Cases can only be referred either through a criminal system based advocate (working with a victim in law enforcement or prosecutors' office) or a protection order advocate through POAP (Protection Order Advocacy Program).
DV Family Law Clinic DOVE on Vashon Island A Neighborhood Legal Clinic Partnership	Half hour free appointments with attorneys who can advise clients regarding family law issues that involved domestic violence. Clinic occurs on the 3rd Thursday of every month on Vashon Island.	To make an appointment, you must be a client of DOVE. For more information call: 206-940-6430

Domestic Violence and/or Sexual Assault: Other Legal Programs

Protection Order Advocacy Program	Advocacy and assistance with protection orders. Paperwork provided. Walk-in assistance at KC Superior Court in Seattle at Room E223 and in Kent's Regional Justice Center at Room 2B.	206-477-1103 (Seattle) 206-477-3758 (Kent)
WA State Protection Order Resources	Sponsored by the King County Prosecuting Attorney. Information and graphics about the following kinds of orders: Domestic Violence Protection Order, Stalking Protection Order, Anti-Harassment Protection Order, Sexual Assault Protection Order, Vulnerable Adult Protection Order, Extreme Risk Protection Order, Restraining Order	www.protectionorder.org
King County Stalking Protection Orders	Information and graphics about Stalking Protection Orders. If you have any questions about the stalking protection order process, please contact the King County District Court Webmaster (206-205-9200).	www.stalkingpo.org
WA VINE Protective Order (WA VPO)	An automated service that helps keep petitioners and crime victims informed by automatically notifying them when protective orders have been served against a respondent and when they are about to expire. You can also register to be notified if the person you are protected from applies to purchase a firearm or for a concealed weapons permit.	877-242-4055 www.registervpo.com
WA Dept of Labor & Industries (L&I)	Crime Victims Compensation Program - Financial Assistance to victims of violent crimes, such as assault, DV, or child abuse.	www.lni.wa.gov 1-800-762-3716

Domestic Violence and/or Sexual Assault: Support and Referrals

The resources below do not provide direct legal representation or legal advice, but legal advocates work to connect clients to pro bono or low cost attorneys and help clients to navigate the legal system (through interpretation, accompanying clients to appointments, emotional support, etc...)

National Domestic Violence Hotline	Services available to survivors of domestic violence, to friends and family members who are concerned about a loved one, and to people who are concerned that their own behavior may be abusive. In addition to the hotline, there is an option to chat with someone confidentially on their website at www.thehotline.org . Services in over 200 languages.	24 Hour Hotline 800-799-7233 800-787-3224 (Deaf/Hard of Hearing)
The Crisis Clinic Helpline	The 24-Hour Crisis Line provides immediate help to individuals, families, and friends of people in emotional crisis. The primary source for linking Seattle-King County residents to emergency mental health services. Services in over 150 languages.	24 Hour Hotline 866-427-4747
Crisis Text Line (CTL)	Serves people in any type of crisis, providing them access to free, 24/7, emotional support and information. System is only able to process 140 characters in one message. Conversations are all confidential but if a texter is in immediate danger of suicide and cannot work out a safety plan with the counselor, a supervisor may contact the police to dispatch a wellness check.	Text HOME to 741741 You'll receive an automated text asking you what your crisis is before a live crisis counselor answers your text.
WomensLaw.org Email Hotline for Domestic Violence Survivors	The purpose of this Email Hotline is for WomensLaw to provide basic legal information, referrals, and emotional support. WomensLaw cannot provide legal advice and cannot specifically analyze your situation to explain how the law may or may not apply to your case.	Go to: https://hotline.womenslaw.org/public to create an account
LifeWire	DV assistance for residents of East King County. 24 Hour Hotline. Also offers therapy and legal advocacy for divorce and child custody/parenting plans. Specific programs for women, male survivors, teens, and immigrants.	24 Hour Hotline 425-746-1940, 800-827-8840
DAWN: Rising for Domestic Peace	DV assistance for residents of South King County. Provides resources for safe shelter, a protection order, public benefits, child-care, immigration assistance, legal advocacy and more.	24 Hour Hotline 425-656-7867, 877-465-7234
Abused Deaf Women's Advocacy Services National Crisis Line	DV advocates fluent in ASL and knowledgeable about Deaf Culture. ADWAS also can work with Deaf and hearing friends and family member of Deaf survivors.	24 Hour Hotline 206-812-1001 , 855-812-1001 Email: hotline@adwas.org
Peace in the Home Helpline	Not for native English speakers. Provides referral connections to 7 community agencies: Asian and Pacific Islander Women and Family Safety Center, Consejo Counseling and Referral Service, Domestic Abuse Women's Network, Eastside Domestic Violence Program, New Beginnings, Refugee Women's Alliance, and YWCA of South King County. The agencies provide DV services in 14 languages: Amharic, Chinese, Khmer (Cambodian), Japanese, Lao, Romanian, Russian, Spanish, Somali, Tagalog, Thai, Tigrigna, Ukrainian, and Vietnamese.	888-847-7205 Call Mon – Fri, 9 AM – 5 PM 24 hour services for the following languages: Romanian, Russian, Somali, Spanish, Tagalog, Ukrainian, and Vietnamese

Refugee Women's Alliance (ReWA)	ReWA still offers immigration legal assistance and non-legal support programs for survivors of domestic violence. Bilingual staff who speak Somali, Vietnamese, Burmese, Russian, and Ukrainian.	206-721-0243
Consejo Counseling	Aimed at the Latin American community. Consejo's Domestic Violence Division provides legal advocacy, in which the advocate provides cultural mediation, explanation, translation/interpretation as needed. Also offers support groups.	206-461-4880 (Office) 206-461-3222 (Crisis Line)
Asian Pacific Islander (API) Chaya	For South Asian communities. API Chaya staff and trained volunteers are available to offer support, referrals, information, safety planning, and also simply to listen, on their confidential helpline. Also offers support groups. Languages: Gujarati, Hindi, Urdu, Japanese, Korean, Marathi, Tagalog, and Vietnamese.	206-467-9976 (Office) 206-325-0325, 877-922-4292 (Crisis Line)
Korean Women's Association	Operates the We Are Family (WAF) Home - A confidential shelter, providing comfort, safety, basic sustenance and advocacy women and children in domestic crisis. The shelter is located in Pierce County (Tacoma) but will serve clients who living in King County. Clients do not need to be shelter residents to receive social services assistance. Also offers naturalization assistance and citizenship classes in Tacoma, Federal Way, and Lynwood. Classes offered in English, Korean, Ukrainian, Russian, Cambodian, and Vietnamese.	253-359-0470 (24/7 Crisis Line) Immigration Services: 253-535-4202 (Tacoma) Or contact online at https://www.kwacares.org/contact-inquiry/
Seattle Indian Health Board	Offers services to Native women victims of domestic violence such as: Safety planning, emergency food vouchers and transportation assistance, referrals to safe shelters, health services, and obtaining restraining orders.	206-324-9360
The NW Network of LGBT Survivors of Abuse	Free legal advocacy and resources for LGBTQ survivors of abuse.	206-568-7777
Seattle Jewish Family Services (JFS)	Assistance in navigating any family law issues involving domestic violence, as well as assistance with housing vouchers, finances, food, employment, public benefits, mental health, and ESL classes. JFS serves individuals and families from King, Pierce and Snohomish Counties.	206-461-3240 (Office) 206-861-3159 (Project DVORA)
Northwest Family Life	Christian-based organization for domestic violence survivors. North Seattle support groups, individual safety planning, parenting classes, referrals to community services, advocacy resources, and counseling.	206-363-9601 hope@nwfamilylife.org
Salvation Army DV Programs	Assistance with food, utilities, move-in costs, and emergency motel vouchers. Confidential emergency and transitional housing. Legal advocates help survivors understand their options.	206-324-4943 (Crisis Line) 206-442-8385, 206-442-8366 (Advocates)

Sexual Assault

YWCA King County	Sexual Violence Legal Services (SVLS): Attorneys available. The only program in WA focused exclusively on protecting survivors of sexual violence. Includes help with: Immigration, Employment, Education, Housing, Finances, Privacy, Criminal issues, Family law, etc... No income restrictions or requirements. YWCA also offers emotional support and advocacy projects for adults and children. Weekly support groups for DV survivors include specialized groups for African American and Spanish-speaking women.	206-832-3620 (Sexual Violence Legal Services) 206-375-1078 (Gen DV Advocacy Project) 206-491-2541 (Children's DV Program)
King County Sexual Assault Resource Center	KCSARC is a victim-advocacy organization that provides critical support, tools, and direct services to children, teens, women and men who are victims of sexual assault. KCSARC works with clients of all ages and from all backgrounds. Over half of KCSARC's clients are under the age of 18.	24 Hour Hotline 888-998-6423
Harborview Medical Center for Sexual Assault and Traumatic Stress	Counselors are available to help individuals and families who are affected by child abuse and neglect, crime, exposure to domestic and community violence, accidents, disasters and other traumatic events. Telephone consultation, crisis response, advocacy, and groups are free of charge.	206-744-1600

Child or Adult Protective Services

Department of Public Defense	Criminal advice and representation for clients with active criminal legal issues who don't already have representation. The 24/7 hotline is available to anyone in custody or under investigation who is seeking the advice of an attorney. Also gives advice for Child Protective Services or Adult Protective Services cases.	24 Hour Hotline: 206-477-8899 General Office Number: 206-296-7662
US Depart of Health and Human Services: Child Welfare Information Gateway	Connects child welfare professionals and the public to information, resources, and tools covering topics on child welfare, child abuse and neglect, out-of-home care, adoption, and more.	www.childwelfare.gov