

Michigan Pro Bono Programs

The programs listed on the following pages include LSC-funded legal services programs, Title III-B providers for seniors, and free-standing pro bono programs. Some programs provide all, or some of, the following services: training, malpractice insurance coverage, reimbursement of costs, and support services (e.g., library, meeting space, mentoring, etc.) Pro bono coordinators for each program should be contacted directly to learn of the available services.

Legal Services Corporation and Area Agency on Aging (Title III-B) Funded Programs

LSC—Legal Aid Agencies for Low Income Individuals

These are often thought of as the basic legal services or “legal aid” offices, and are sometimes referred to as field programs by planners. Almost every program has more than one office in its territory. Priorities and abilities to serve the public vary by program. Almost all programs listed here must concentrate on serving only the very poor (at or below 125 percent of Federal Poverty Guidelines—with a few exceptions such as service to a senior citizen). Each program has its own intake procedure, and potential clients must go through that screening or intake process which is often done initially by telephone.

These programs have agreed to make sure that they or someone in their service region provides basic information, at least, to eligible clients in the areas of domestic violence/family law, public benefits, and housing related issues. Some programs offer help in other fields of law. We try to keep this list updated but cannot guarantee its accuracy.

Legal Aid and Defender Association

Serves: Macomb, Oakland, and Wayne Counties

Deirdre L. Weir, Executive Director
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- Housing
- Public Benefits
- Probate
- Education
- Bankruptcy
- Consumer

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Detroit, MI 48826
Phone: (313) 967-5555
Toll Free: (877) 964-4700
Intake: (313) 964-4700
Senior Line: (313) 964-5310
Fax: (313) 964-1932

LADA provides services in the following legal area:

- Family Law

Legal Services of Eastern Michigan

Edward J. Hoort, Executive Director
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Port Huron Office serves Huron, Sanilac, St. Clair, and Tuscola Counties

511 Fort Street
Port Huron, MI 48060
Phone: (810) 987-4822
Toll Free: (800) 322-4512
Fax: (810) 987-4834

STATE BAR OF MICHIGAN

Pro Bono Coordinator-Flint Office:

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*Flint Office serves Genesee, and Lapeer Counties

436 S. Saginaw Street

Flint, MI 48502-1818

Phone: (810) 234-2621

Toll Free: (800) 339-9513

Fax: (810) 234-9039

Midland Office serves Clare, Gladwin, Gratiot, Isabella, and Midland Counties

148 E. Main St., Ste. 207

Midland, MI 48640

Phone: (989) 832-7987

Toll Free: (800) 322-9142

Fax: (989) 832-5756

Pro Bono Coordinator-Saginaw Office:

Marilyn Hackett

Phone: (989) 755-4465

E-mail: mhackett@lsem-mi.org

Saginaw Office serves Arenac, Bay, and Saginaw Counties

320 S. Washington Avenue, 3rd Floor

Saginaw, MI 48607

Phone: (989) 755-4465

Toll Free: (800) 322-4512

Fax: (989) 755-2161

Legal Services of Eastern Michigan provides services in the following legal areas:

- Consumer
- Income Maintenance
- Family Law (limited)
- Housing
- Individual Rights
- Bankruptcy
- Employment
- Education
- Elder Law

Area Agency on Aging, TITLE III-B service provider for seniors in the following counties: Genesee, Lapeer, and Shiawassee.

Legal Services of Northern Michigan

Ken Penokie, Executive Director

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Pro Bono Coordinator-Gaylord Office

Stacie Hancock

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Alpena Office serves Alcona, Alpena, Iosco, Montmorency, Ogemaw, Oscoda, and Presque Isle Counties

123 N. Second Avenue, Suite 1

Alpena, MI 49707

Phone: (989) 356-9081

Toll Free: (888) 356-9009

Fax: (989) 354-4711

Escanaba Office serves Delta, Menominee, and Schoolcraft Counties

806 Ludington Street

Escanaba, MI 49829

Phone: (906) 786-2303

Toll Free: (888) 786-2303

Fax: (906) 786-4041

Gaylord Office serves Charlevoix, Cheboygan, Crawford, Emmet, Kalkaska, Otsego, and Roscommon Counties

Parkside Mini-Mall

1349 South Otsego Ave., Unit 7B

Gaylord, MI 49735

Phone: (989) 705-1067

Fax: (989) 705-7178

Houghton Office serves Baraga, Houghton, and Keweenaw Counties

706 Sharon Avenue

Houghton, MI 49931

Phone: (906) 482-3908

Fax: (906) 482-4748

Marquette Office serves: Alger, Dickinson, Iron, and Marquette Counties

112 West Washington, Suite 1

Marquette, MI 49855

Phone: (906) 228-5620

Toll Free: (888) 228-5590

Fax: (906) 228-3439

Sault St. Marie Office serves Chippewa, Luce, and Mackinac Counties

130 W. Spruce Street
P.O. Box 710
Sault St. Marie, MI 49783
Phone: (906) 632-3361
Toll Free: (800) 872-8432
Toll Free in U.P.: (888) 632-9313
Fax: (906) 632-9876

Traverse City Office serves Antrim, Benzie, Grand Traverse, Leelanau, Manistee, Missaukee, and Wexford Counties

207 Grandview Parkway, Suite 103
Traverse City, MI 49684
Phone: (231) 941-0771
Toll Free: (888) 941-9599
Fax: (231) 941-9876

For services in Gogebic and Ontonagon Counties, please call (800) 872-8432.

Legal Services of Northern Michigan has services in the following legal areas:

- Family Law
- Housing
- Bankruptcy
- Public Benefits
- Consumer/Collections

Area Agency on Aging, TITLE III-B

service provider for seniors in the following counties:

Alpena Office serves Alcona, Alpena, Iosco, Montmorency, Ogemaw, Oscoda, and Presque Isle Counties

Escanaba Office serves Delta, Menominee, and Schoolcraft Counties

Gaylord Office serves Charlevoix, Cheboygan, Crawford, Emmet, Kalkaska, Otsego, and Roscommon Counties

Houghton Office serves Baraga, Houghton, and Keweenaw Counties

Marquette Office serves Alger, Dickinson, Iron, and Marquette Counties

Sault St. Marie Office serves Chippewa, Luce, and Mackinac Counties

Traverse City Office serves Antrim, Benzie, Grand Traverse, Leelanau, Manistee, Missaukee, and Wexford Counties

For services in Gogebic and Ontonagon Counties, please call (800) 872-8432.

Legal Services of South Central Michigan

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Pro Bono Coordinator:

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***Ann Arbor Office serves Washtenaw County**

420 N. Fourth Avenue
Ann Arbor, MI 48104
Phone: (734) 665-6181
Fax: (734) 665-2974

Jackson Office serves Jackson and Hillsdale Counties

180 West Michigan Avenue
Suite 800, Harris Building
Jackson, MI 49201
Phone: (517) 787-6111
Fax: (517) 787-5805

Monroe Office serves Lenawee and Monroe Counties

1118 A South Telegraph Road
Monroe, MI 48161
Phone: (734) 241-8310
Toll Free: (888) 251-1598
Fax: (734) 241-1381

Battle Creek Office serves Calhoun and Branch Counties

70 E. Michigan Avenue
Battle Creek, MI 49017
Phone: (269) 965-3951
Toll Free: (800) 688-3951
Fax: (269) 965-4874

Lansing Office serves Barry, Eaton, Clinton, Ingham, Livingston, and Shiawassee Counties

3490 Belle Chase Way, Suite 50
Lansing, MI 48911

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Phone: (517) 394-3121
Toll Free: (800) 968-0044
Attorney Number: (517) 394-2985
Fax: (517) 394-4276

Legal Services of South Central Michigan provides services in the following legal areas:

- Family Law
- Landlord/Tenant
- Home Ownership
- Probate
- Guardianship
- Consumer
- Health Law
- Domestic Violence
- Civil Rights
- Individual Rights
- Employment
- Real Estate
- Government Benefits
- Bankruptcy
- Debtor Relief
- Housing

Area Agency on Aging, TITLE III-B service provider for seniors in the following counties:

Washtenaw contact Ann Arbor office.

Jackson, Lenawee, and Hillsdale contact Jackson office.

Calhoun, Branch, Barry, and St. Joseph contact Battle Creek office.

Clinton, Eaton, Ingham, Livingston, and Shiawassee contact Lansing office.

Access to Justice Center

Serves: Ingham County

Pro Bono Coordinator:

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Phone: (517) 394-3121
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3490 Belle Chase Way, Suite 50
Lansing, MI 48911
Toll Free: (800) 968-0044
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Family Law Project

Pro Bono Coordinator:

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Hutchins Hall
Ann Arbor, MI 48109
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Farmworker Legal Services

Serves: Statewide

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Phone: (269) 427-1622
Toll Free: (800) 968-4046
Fax: (269) 427-2862
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Ann Arbor Office

420 N. Fourth Avenue
Ann Arbor, MI 48104
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Michigan Poverty Law Program

(A joint project of the University of Michigan Law School and Legal Services of South Central Michigan)

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Ann Arbor, MI 48104

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Legal Aid of Western Michigan

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Pro Bono Coordinator–Pro Bono Program of Western Michigan:

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***Grand Rapids Office serves Ionia, Kent, and Montcalm Counties**

89 Ionia N.W., Suite 400

Grand Rapids, MI 49503

Phone: (616) 774-0672

Toll Free: (800) 442-2777

Fax: (616) 774-2412

Big Rapids Office serves Lake, Mecosta, Newaygo, and Osceola Counties

203 South Third St.

Big Rapids, MI 49307

Phone: (231) 796-4878

Toll Free: (800) 968-4878

Fax: (231) 796-2191

Holland Office serves Allegan and Ottawa Counties

636 Hastings

Holland, MI 49423

Phone: (616) 394-1380

Toll Free: (800) 681-8016

Fax: (616) 394-1383

Kalamazoo Office serves Cass, Kalamazoo, St. Joseph, and Van Buren Counties

201 W. Kalamazoo Avenue, Room 308

Kalamazoo, MI 49007

Phone: (269) 344-8113

Fax: (269) 388-5235

Client Intake Hotline: (800) 819-0773

Muskegon Office serves Mason, Muskegon, and Oceana Counties

450 Morris Avenue, Suite 302

P.O. Box 1206

Muskegon, MI 49443

Phone: (231) 726-4887

Toll Free: (800) 968-4887

Fax: (231) 728-5217

Paralegal/Pro Bono Assistant–St. Joseph Office: Jacquelyn O'Brien

Phone: (269) 983-6363

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St. Joseph Office serves Berrien County

901 Port Street

P.O. Box E

St. Joseph, MI 49085

Phone: (269) 983-6363

Toll Free-legal Help Line: (888) 418-1311

Fax: (269) 983-1916

Legal Aid of Western Michigan provides services in the following legal areas:

- Bankruptcy
- Charitable Corporations
- Conservatorship/Guardianship
- Consumer Matters
- Family Law
- Elder Law
- Insurance Matters
- Labor/Employment
- Housing
- Probate
- Public Benefits
- Social Security/SSI
- Real Estate/Home Ownership

Area Agency on Aging, TITLE III-B service provider for seniors in the following counties: Ionia, Kent and Montcalm–Grand Rapids office.

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Lake, Mecosta, Newaygo, and Osceola–Big Rapids office.
Allegan and Ottawa–Holland office.
Cass, Kalamazoo, St. Joseph, and Van Buren–Kalamazoo office.
Mason, Muskegon, and Oceana–Muskegon office.

Senior Law Center Niles Office serves Berrien, Cass, and Van Buren Counties

1109 Bell Road
Niles, MI 49120
Phone: (269) 684-2920
Helpline: (888) 418-1311
Fax: (269) 684-1089

Michigan Indian Legal Services, Inc.

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Traverse City Office serves Statewide
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Traverse City, MI 49686-3430
Phone: (231) 947-0122
Toll Free: (800) 968-6877
Fax: (231) 947-3956

Lansing Office
215 S. Washington Square, Suite C
Lansing, MI 48933-1888
Phone: (517) 316-0934
Toll Free: (888) 218-9254
Fax: (517) 316-0654

Michigan Indian Legal Services provides services in the following legal areas:

- Indian Child Welfare Act matters
- Treaty and Statutory Rights
- Tribal Recognition
- Community Education
- Discrimination