

Resources for Free Legal Help in Markham

Sixth Municipal District Courthouse
16501 S. Kedzie Parkway, Markham, IL 60428

Help desk staff cannot represent you in court, but they may be able to answer questions and help with paperwork. Most services are first come, first served so please arrive early and expect a wait.

Free Legal Help In & Near Markham

HOUSING & MONEY



- Eviction Defense Advice Desk**
Help for renters in eviction court
🕒 9 am - 12 pm, Mon - Fri
📍 Second Floor, Room 202(G)
- Mediation Services**
Ask the judge or clerk for a free mediator to help with small claims & eviction cases
🕒 9 am - 11 am, Tue & Thur
🌐 www.ccrchicago.org
- Collection Defense Advice Desk**
Help with debt collection cases
🕒 9 am - 12 pm, Wed
📍 Second Floor, Room 202(I)
- South Suburban Bar Association Pro Bono Program**
Help with non-criminal cases
🕒 12 pm - 2:30 pm, Thur
📍 Basement (next to Courtroom 098)

CRIMINAL RECORDS



- Cabrini Green Legal Aid Expungement Advice Desk**
Expunge & seal criminal records
🕒 10 am - 2 pm, Wed
📍 First Floor, Room 102(J)
Note: Help is limited to the first 15 people in line after the courthouse opens at 8:30.
- Juvenile Expungement Advice Desk**
Expunge juvenile arrests & records
🕒 9 am - 4 pm, Mon - Fri
📍 1100 S. Hamilton, First Floor

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE



- South Suburban Family Shelter**
Legal assistance for victims & families of domestic violence
🕒 8:30 am - 4:30 pm, Mon - Fri
📍 Room 102(I)
☎ (708) 331-7253 🌐 <http://www.ssfs1.org>
- Crisis Center for South Suburbia**
Comprehensive services & advocacy for victims of domestic violence
🕒 Available 24/7
☎ (708) 429-7233

FREE HELP FROM HOME



- CARPLS Legal Aid Hotline**
Free advice & referrals from lawyers (you may wait up to 20 minutes)
🕒 9 am - 7:30 pm, Mon & Wed
9 am - 4:30 pm, Tue, Thur & Fri
☎ (312) 738-9200 🌐 www.carpls.org
- Illinois Legal Aid Online**
Free legal information & court forms from your computer or mobile device
🕒 Available 24/7
🌐 www.illinoislegalaid.org

Free Legal Help in Chicago Courthouses



- Domestic Violence Legal Clinic**
Orders of protection
🕒 8:30 am - 2:30 pm, Mon - Fri
📍 555 W. Harrison, Suite 1900
- Administrative Hearings Advice Desk**
Building code violations, vehicle impoundments & municipal matters
🕒 8:30 am - 4:30 pm, Mon, Wed, Thu & Fri
📍 400 W. Superior, Room 121
- Bankruptcy Advice Desk**
Bankruptcy & creditor issues
🕒 9:30 am - 12:30 pm, Mon, Wed & Fri
📍 219 S. Dearborn, Room 625
- U.S. District Court Advice Desk**
Lawsuits in federal court
🕒 By appointment only
📍 219 S. Dearborn, 20th Floor
☎ (312) 435-5691

Other Helpful Resources

HIRE A LAWYER



- Justice Entrepreneurs Project**
Lawyers who charge fixed fees for flexible & customizable legal help
☎ (312) 546-3282 🌐 www.jepchicago.org
- South Suburban Bar Association Lawyer Referral Service**
☎ (708) 633-9700
🌐 www.southsuburbanbar.org
- Illinois State Bar Association IllinoisLawyerFinder**
☎ (800) 922-8757 🌐 www.zeekbeek.com/isba
\$25 consultation fee (additional costs after)
- Chicago Bar Association Lawyer Referral Service**
☎ (312) 554-2001 🌐 irs.chicagobar.org
\$30 consultation fee (additional costs after)

HELPFUL WEBSITES



- Cook County Circuit Clerk**
Find court forms & case information
🌐 www.cookcountyclerkofcourt.org
☎ (312) 603-4023
- E-Filing Website**
File court documents electronically
🌐 efile.illinoiscourts.gov
☎ (312) 603-4023
- Cook County Circuit Court**
Learn about court operations & services
🌐 www.cookcountycourt.org
- IL Supreme Court Website**
Use easy forms & self-help resources
🌐 www.illinoiscourts.gov/faq/gethelp.asp

ADDITIONAL SERVICES IN THE MARKHAM COURTHOUSE



- ADA Accommodations Requests**
Contact the Court Disability Coordinator to make an accommodation request
☎ (312) 603-1915
✉ ocj.accommodations@cookcountyl.gov
🌐 www.cookcountycourt.org
- Deaf/Hard of Hearing Access**
Request a sign language interpreter accommodation as soon as possible
☎ (312) 603-1918
VP (312) 603-9187
✉ ocj.accommodations@cookcountyl.gov



- Interpretation**
To request a free interpreter at court, ask the clerk in your courtroom for help



- K.C. Conlon Children's Room**
Free child care with proof of court date or a referral from a judge/court staff (available for bathroom independent children ages 2-12)
🕒 8:30 am - 4:30 pm, Mon - Fri
📍 First Floor ☎ (708) 232-4282
- Cook County Law Library**
Free access to public computers & legal research tools
\$ Cost of printing & scanning is 15¢/page
🕒 8:30 am - 4:30 pm, Mon - Fri
📍 Basement, Room 072

