

# Finding Free Help in Cook County

There are many ways to get legal help in Cook County, including free and affordable legal services. You can learn more about these and other resources at [illinoislegalaid.org/cook](http://illinoislegalaid.org/cook).

## Free Legal Help

Income & other eligibility criteria may apply

These free services can help with most areas of civil (non-criminal) law including **landlord-tenant, foreclosure, divorce, child support, custody, expungement, debt, bankruptcy, domestic violence, safety, public benefits, employment, and more.**

### CARPLS Legal Aid Hotline

Free legal help by phone from a lawyer and information about applying for *pro bono* (free) legal help from other organizations

☎ (312) 738-9200

🕒 9 am – 7:30 pm, Mon & Wed  
9 am – 4:30 pm, Tue, Thur & Fri

🌐 [carpls.org](http://carpls.org)

### Armed Forces Legal Aid Network

Free hotline connecting veterans, service members, and their families with legal help

☎ (855) 452-3526

🕒 9 am – 4:30 pm, Mon – Fri

### Illinois Legal Aid Online

Free self-help information, court forms, and online applications for *pro bono* (free) legal help

🌐 [illinoislegalaid.org](http://illinoislegalaid.org) (in English)

🌐 [illinoislegalaid.org/es](http://illinoislegalaid.org/es) (en Español)

🌐 [illinoislegalaid.org/pl](http://illinoislegalaid.org/pl) (po Polsku)

🕒 24/7 from any computer or mobile device

### Center for Conflict Resolution

Trained mediators can help you work with the other party to resolve some legal problems outside of court before, during, or after your case

☎ (312) 922-6464 ext. 22

🌐 [ccrchicago.org](http://ccrchicago.org)

## Hire a Lawyer

Prices & services vary

You can hire a lawyer to help you with all or part of your civil or criminal case. A lawyer referral service can help you find a lawyer to take your entire case for a fee.

### JEP Lawyers

Connect with lawyers who offer flexible and customizable legal services, including limited and full representation options, at set fees.

☎ (312) 546-3282

🌐 [jepchicago.org](http://jepchicago.org)

💰 Consultation and other costs vary

### CBA Lawyer Referral Service

Connect with experienced lawyers in Chicago and suburban Cook County through the Bar Association

☎ (312) 554-2001

🌐 [Lrs.chicagobar.org](http://Lrs.chicagobar.org)

💰 Consultation fee of \$30 (additional costs after)

### Lawyer Referral Information

Learn more about connecting with lawyers and legal resources (including a list of lawyer referral services) at: <http://bit.ly/CCLLSelfHelp>

Limited scope lawyers offer affordable and flexible plans where you share the work with your lawyer. Learn more: [chicagobarfoundation.org/limitedscope](http://chicagobarfoundation.org/limitedscope)

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