



Getting Legal Help

Eastern Ontario

Community Legal Clinics

Community legal clinics provide information, advice, and representation on various legal issues, including social assistance, housing, refugee and immigration law, employment law, human rights, workers' compensation, and the Canada Pension Plan. Some legal clinics do not handle all of these issues, but staff may be able to refer you to someone who can help.

Community legal clinics are staffed by lawyers, community legal workers, and sometimes law students. Each legal clinic is run by a volunteer board of directors with members from the community. All help is **private and confidential** and provided **free of charge**.

To qualify for community legal clinic services:

- your legal issue must be one the clinic handles,
- you must live in the area the clinic serves, and
- your income and assets cannot be above a certain level.

To find out if you qualify, contact your local legal clinic. Most legal clinics provide brief advice, or "summary advice", without asking about your financial situation. Some legal clinics also offer workshops, information sessions, and other community development activities.

Most legal clinics serve a large area around their location and many clinics offer satellite services in neighbouring towns.

Belleville

Community Advocacy & Legal Centre	
158 George St., Level 1, Belleville K8N 3H2 613-966-8686 Toll-free: 1-877-966-8686 TTY: 613-966-8714 Toll-free TTY: 1-877-966-8714 www.communitylegalcentre.ca	Satellite Offices: Bancroft: 1-877-966-8686 Madoc: 1-877-966-8686 Napanee: 1-877-966-8686 Picton: 1-877-966-8686 Trenton: 1-877-966-8686

Cobourg

Northumberland Community Legal Centre

1005 Elgin St. W., Suite 301, Cobourg K9A 5J4
905-373-4464
Toll-free: 1-800-850-7882
www.thehelpcentre.ca

Satellite Offices:
Bewdley: 1-800-850-7882
Brighton: 1-800-850-7882
Campbellford: 1-800-850-7882
Colborne: 1-800-850-7882

Cornwall

Clinique juridique Stormont, Dundas & Glengarry Legal Clinic

1 McConnell Ave., Cornwall K6H 4K8
613-932-2703
Toll-free: 1-800-267-2434
www.sdglegal.com

Satellite Offices:
Alexandria (Glengarry County): 1-800-267-2434
Williamsburg (Dundas County): 1-800-267-2434

Hawkesbury

Clinique juridique populaire de Prescott et Russell Inc.

352 Main St. W., Suite 201, Hawkesbury K6A 2H8
613-632-1136
Toll-free: 1-800-250-9220
www.cjppr.on.ca

Kingston

Kingston Community Legal Clinic

345 Bagot St., Kingston K7K 6T8
613-541-0777
www.kclc.ca

Queen's Legal Aid

Services provided by law students supervised by lawyers.

Queen's University, Faculty of Law,
Room 406, Macdonald Hall,
128 Union St., Kingston K7L 2P1
613-533-2102
<http://law.queensu.ca/students/legalAid.html>

Satellite Offices:

Napanee: 613-533-2102 (by appointment only)

North Kingston Community
Health Centre: 613-533-2102
(Wednesday evening; by appointment only)

St. Lawrence College: 613-533-2102
(Monday; drop-in)

Oshawa

Durham Community Legal Clinic

111 Simcoe Street North, Oshawa L1G 4S4
905-728-7321
Toll-free: 1-888-297-2202
www.durhamcommunitylegalclinic.ca

Ottawa

Clinique juridique francophone de l'Est d'Ottawa

290, rue Dupuis, Ottawa K1L 1A2
613-744-2892, ext. 1111
www.cscvanier.com/fr/juridique

Community Legal Services Ottawa Centre

1 Nicholas St., Suite 422, Ottawa K1N 7B7
613-241-7008
www.clsoc.ca

South Ottawa Community Legal Services

1355 Bank St., Suite 406, Ottawa K1H 8K7
613-733-0140
TTY: 613-733-4113
www.socls.org

University of Ottawa Legal Clinic

Services provided by law students supervised by lawyers.

17 Copernicus St., Ottawa K1N 6N5
613-562-5600
TTY: available through main line upon request
www.uoclc.uottawa.ca

West End Legal Services of Ottawa

1301 Richmond Rd., Ottawa K2B 7Y4
613-596-1641
www.westendlegal.ca

Perth

Lanark, Leeds & Grenville Legal Clinic

10 Sunset Blvd., Perth K7H 2Y2
613-264-8888
Toll-free in 613 area code: 1-800-597-4529
www.legalclinic.ca

Satellite Offices: (by appointment only)
Brockville: 613-498-1888
(Toll-free: 1-800-597-4529)
Carleton Place: 1-800-597-4529
Smiths Falls: 1-800-597-4529

Peterborough

Peterborough Community Legal Centre

150 King St., 4th Floor, Peterborough K9J 2R9
705-749-9355
www.peterboroughcommunitylegalcentre.org

Renfrew

Renfrew County Legal Clinic

236 Stewart St., Suite 101, Renfrew K7V 1X7
613-432-8146
Toll-free: 1-800-267-5871
www.renfrewlegalclinic.org

Sharbot Lake

Rural Legal Services

1020 Elizabeth Street, P.O. Box 359,
Sharbot Lake K0H 2P0
613-279-3252
Toll-free in 613 area code: 1-888-777-8916

Satellite Office: (by appointment only)
Northbrook: 613-279-3252
(Toll-free: 1-888-777-8916)

How to find a community legal clinic

This handout presents contact information for community legal clinics in Eastern Ontario. To find the legal clinic that serves a different region, you can phone Legal Aid Ontario (LAO) at one of the numbers listed below. Or, you can go to www.yourlegalrights.on.ca and click on “Services”. You can also go to the LAO website at www.legalaid.on.ca.

Legal Aid Ontario (LAO)

LAO provides legal assistance for low-income people. Services include:

- legal representation for eligible clients who appear in court without a lawyer,
- legal aid applications and information over the phone,
- legal resources and referrals to other social assistance agencies, and
- a certificate program for complex and serious cases.

If LAO cannot help, they will refer you somewhere that can.

To get legal aid services, your legal issue must be one that LAO covers, and you must be financially eligible.

For more information visit www.legalaid.on.ca or call:

Toll-free: 1-800-668-8258

Toronto area: 416-979-1446

Toll-free TTY: 1-866-641-8867

Toronto area TTY: 416-598-8867

Law Society Referral Service

The Law Society Referral Service will give you the name of a lawyer or paralegal within or near your community, who will provide a free consultation of up to 30 minutes. You can also ask for a lawyer who will accept legal aid certificates or who will offer their services at a reduced price.

Visit the Law Society website at <http://lsrs.lsuc.on.ca/lsrs/>, or call them at:

Toll-free: 1-800-268-8326

Toronto area: 416-947-3330

JusticeNet

JusticeNet is a not-for-profit service helping people in need of legal expertise, whose income is too high to access legal aid and too low to afford standard legal fees. JusticeNet is currently available to anyone living in Ontario. Visit their website at www.justicenet.ca, or call them at:

Toll-free: 1-866-919-3219

Toronto area: 416-479-0552