

## 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.

## Brampton

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### North Peel & Dufferin Community Legal Services

24 Queen St. E., Suite 601, Brampton L6V 1A3

**905-455-0160**

Toll-free: 1-866-455-0160

[www.legalclinicsinpeel.ca](http://www.legalclinicsinpeel.ca)

## Brantford

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### Community Legal Clinic — Brant, Haldimand, Norfolk

1100 Clarence St. S., Suite 203,  
Brantford N3S 7N8  
**519-752-8669**  
Toll-free from 905 and 519 area codes:  
1-888-341-5021  
[www.bhnlegalclinic.ca](http://www.bhnlegalclinic.ca)

**Satellite Offices:**  
Dunnville: 1-888-341-5021  
Simcoe: 1-888-341-5021

## Chatham

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### Chatham-Kent Legal Clinic

6 Harvey St., Unit A, Chatham N7M 1L6  
**519-351-6771**  
[www.cklc.ca](http://www.cklc.ca)

**Satellite Offices:**  
Tilbury: 519-351-6771  
Wallaceburg: 519-351-6771  
Thamesville: 519-692-3936

## Georgetown

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### Halton Community Legal Services

72 Mill St., Georgetown L7G 2C9  
**905-877-5256**  
Toll-free from Oakville and Burlington: 905-875-2069  
[www.haltonlegal.ca](http://www.haltonlegal.ca)

## Guelph

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### Legal Clinic of Guelph and Wellington County

11 Wyndham St. N., P.O. Box 1683, Station Main, Guelph N1H 6Z9  
**519-821-2100**  
Toll-free from Wellington county: 1-800-628-9205  
TTY: can access from main line  
[www.gwlegalclinic.ca](http://www.gwlegalclinic.ca)

## Hamilton

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### Hamilton Community Legal Clinic/Clinique juridique communautaire de Hamilton

Landmark Place  
100 Main St. E., 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Suite 203,  
Hamilton L8N 3W4  
**905-527-4572**  
[www.hamiltonjustice.ca](http://www.hamiltonjustice.ca)

**Satellite Office:**  
Centre de santé communautaire Hamilton/Niagara:  
905-528-0163, ext. 253

## Kitchener

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### Waterloo Region Community Legal Services

450 Frederick St., Suite 101, Kitchener N2H 2P5  
**519-743-0254**  
[www.wrcls.ca](http://www.wrcls.ca)

**Satellite Office:** (by appointment only)  
Cambridge: 519-743-0254

## London

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### Community Legal Services

Services provided by law students supervised by lawyers.

University of Western Ontario,  
Faculty of Law, Room 126,  
1151 Richmond St., London N6A 3K7  
**519-661-3352**  
[www.law.uwo.ca/cls](http://www.law.uwo.ca/cls)

### Neighbourhood Legal Services (London & Middlesex) Inc.

Market Tower,  
151 Dundas St., Suite 507, London N6A 5R7  
**519-438-2890**

## Mississauga

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### Mississauga Community Legal Services

130 Dundas St. E., Suite 504, Mississauga L5A 3V8

**905-896-2050**

TTY: can access from main line

[www.legalclinicsinpeel.ca](http://www.legalclinicsinpeel.ca)

## Owen Sound

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### Grey-Bruce Community Legal Clinic

945 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave. E., Suite 2, Owen Sound N4K 2K8

**519-370-2200**

Toll-free from Grey and Bruce counties:

1-877-832-1435

[www.gblegalclinic.com](http://www.gblegalclinic.com)

#### Satellite Offices:

Flesherton: 519-370-2200

Hanover: 519-370-2200

Kincardine: 1-877-832-1435

Port Elgin: 519-370-2200

Warton: 519-370-2200

## St. Catharines

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### Niagara North Community Legal Assistance (NNCLA)

8 Church St., Box 1266, St. Catharines L2R 7A7

**905-682-6635**

[www.niagaranorthlegal.com](http://www.niagaranorthlegal.com)

#### Satellite Offices: (by appointment only)

Beamsville: 905-682-6635

Grimsby: 905-682-6635

Niagara Falls: 905-682-6635

## St. Thomas

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### Elgin-Oxford Legal Clinic

98 Centre Street, St. Thomas N5R 2Z7

**519-633-2638**

Toll-free: 1-866-611-2311

[www.eolc.ca](http://www.eolc.ca)

#### Satellite Offices:

Aylmer: 1-866-611-2311

Ingersoll: 1-866-611-2311

Tillsonburg: 1-866-611-2311

West Lorne: 1-866-611-2311

Woodstock: 1-866-611-2311

## Sarnia

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### Community Legal Assistance Sarnia

201 North Front St., Suite 407, Sarnia N7T 7T9

**519-332-8055**

Toll-free: 1-888-916-2527

[www.sarnialegalclinic.com](http://www.sarnialegalclinic.com)

## Stratford

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### Huron/Perth Community Legal Clinic

59 Lorne Ave. E., Stratford N5A 6S4

**519-271-4556**

Toll-free: 1-866-867-1027

[www.huronperthlegalclinic.ca](http://www.huronperthlegalclinic.ca)

**Satellite Offices:** (please call for an appointment)

Clinton: 1-866-867-1027

Exeter: 1-866-867-1027

Goderich: 519-524-4406

Listowel: 1-866-867-1027

Wingham: 1-866-867-1027

## Welland

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### Justice Niagara

15 Burgar Street, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, Welland L3B 2S6

**905-735-1559**

Toll-free: 1-877-801-5956

[www.justiceniagara.com](http://www.justiceniagara.com)

**Satellite Offices:**

Fort Erie: 1-877-801-5956

Port Colborne: 1-877-801-5956

Thorold: 1-877-801-5956

## Windsor

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### Community Legal Aid

Services provided by law students supervised by lawyers.

University of Windsor, Faculty of Law,  
2475 University Ave. W., Windsor N9B 3P4

**519-253-7150**

[www.uwindsor.ca/cla](http://www.uwindsor.ca/cla)

## Legal Assistance of Windsor

85 Pitt St. E., Windsor N9A 2V3  
**519-256-7831**  
TTY: 519-256-5287  
[www.legalassistanceofwindsor.ca](http://www.legalassistanceofwindsor.ca)

## Windsor-Essex Bilingual Legal Clinic/Clinique juridique bilingue de Windsor-Essex (WINE)

595 Tecumseh Rd. E., Suite 3, Windsor N8X 2S1  
**519-253-3526**  
TTY: 519-253-5393  
[www.bilinguallegalclinic.com](http://www.bilinguallegalclinic.com)

## How to find a community legal clinic

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This handout presents contact information for community legal clinics in Southwestern 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](http://www.yourlegalrights.on.ca) and click on “**Services**”. You can also go to the LAO website at [www.legalaid.on.ca](http://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](http://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](http://www.justicenet.ca), or call them at:

Toll-free: 1-866-919-3219

Toronto area: 416-479-0552