

NEWSLETTER

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Organizational Resources in Texas

The Dallas County Law Library works with many Texas organizations to offer legal resources to our patrons. Below is a list of some of the legal aid resources and services available through the state of Texas, which are free or of little cost.

The Texas State Law Library in Austin is a public library that serves the legal research needs of the Texas Supreme Court, the Court of Criminal Appeals, the Office of the Attorney General, other state agencies and commissions and the citizens of the state. The State Law Library's website is <u>www.sll.texas.gov</u>.

Family Law Resources:

The office of the Texas Attorney General operates a Visitation and Access Hotline staffed by attorneys who provide basic legal assistance pertaining to matters such as visitation and child custody matters at 866-292-4636 or txaccess.org.

For child support enforcement, contact the Attorney General at 1-800-252-8014 or <u>texasattorneygeneral.gov</u>.

The Texas Department of Family and Protective Services has a toll-free hotline to report suspicions of abuse, neglect, and exploitation of children at 1-800-252-5400 or <u>dfps.state.tx.us</u>.

Consumer Law Resources:

The office of the Texas Attorney General Consumer Protection department accepts written complaints from consumers for violations of Texas consumer laws. Consumers can use the toll-free number to check whether complaints have been filed against a specific business. Dallas Regional Office is 214-969-7639; the hotline is 1-800-621-0508 or texasattorneygeneral.gov.

The Texas Consumer Credit Commissioner also offers a hotline with complaints or questions about misrepresentation, fraud, and deceptive practices on the part of regulated lenders or creditors. The hotline is 1-800-538-1579 or <u>occc.texas.gov</u>.

The Texas Department of Insurance has a hotline for complaints at 1-800-252-3439 or tdi.texas.gov.

Crime Victims Resources:

The office of the Texas Attorney General Crime Victims Compensation has information on eligibility for benefits from the Crime Victim's Compensation Fund at 1-800-983-9933 or texasattorneygeneral.gov.

The Texas Advocacy Project maintains a statewide toll-free hotline for victims with a variety of concerns related to domestic violence, sexual assault and stalking at 1-800-374-4673 or texasadvocacyproject.org.

Healthcare Resources:

Texas Health and Human Services Medicaid has a hotline for Medicaid clients regarding their benefits at 1-800-252-8263 or <u>hhs.texas.gov</u>.

Health Service Complaints may be registered at 1-888-963-7111 with the <u>dshs.texas.gov</u>.

Veterans Resources:

Texas Veterans Legal Assistance Project (VLAP) is a statewide project that provides legal assistance at no charge to low-income Texas veterans and their families at 1-800-622-2520 or <u>tlsc.org</u>.

Disability Resources:

Disability Rights Texas provides legal services in many areas related to mental and physical disabilities at 214-630-0916 (North Texas) or <u>disabilityrightstx.org</u>.



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Hours of Operation: Monday-Friday 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM

Workforce Resources:

The Texas Workforce Commission provides unemployment benefits and services related to employment to qualified individuals at 1-800-628-5115 or <u>twc.texas.gov</u>.

Please contact the Law Library at 214-653-7481

or <u>LawLibrary@dallascounty.org</u> if you would like more information about these or other legal services and resources in Texas.

