NEWSLETTER

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Federal Organizational Resources

The Dallas County Law Library works with many national organizations to offer legal resources on federal issues to our patrons. Below is a list of some of the legal aid resources and services available in the US, which are free or of little cost.

To find a lawyer, please go to <u>lawyers.findlaw.com</u>, a directory that features detailed profiles of attorneys from across the US. You may search by city, state or legal issue. Also, Martindale Hubbell offers a lawyer locator at <u>martindale.com</u>, a nationwide database of lawyers searchable by name, geographic region, or practice area.

Civil Rights Resources:

The Civil Rights Division of the Department of Justice (<u>civilrights.justice.gov</u>) enforces federal laws that protect people from discrimination based on race, color, national origin, disability status, sex, religion, familial status, or loss of other constitutional rights.

The American Civil Liberties Union (<u>aclu.org</u>) was founded in 1920. It works in the courts, legislatures, and communities to defend and preserve the individual rights and liberties guaranteed by the Constitution and laws of the United States.

Immigration Resources:

Forms, information and case management for US Citizenship and Immigration Services (<u>uscis.gov</u>) can be found at the US Department of Homeland Security's website.

The Immigration Advocates Network (<u>immigrationadvocates.org</u>) offers an immigration legal services directory, webinars, podcasts, library, calendar and the latest news and developments.

Veterans Resources:

The US Dept. of Veterans Affairs mission (va.gov) is to provide health, education, disability, funerary, and financial benefits earned by Veterans of the United States Armed Forces.

The National Veterans Foundation (<u>nvf.org</u>) serves the crisis management, information and referral needs of all US veterans and their families through management and operation of the nation's first Vet-to-Vet toll-free helpline for all veterans and their families at 1-888-777-4443. In addition, they offer outreach services that provide veterans and families in need with food, clothing, transportation, employment, and other essential resources.

Healthcare Resources:

Health Resources and Services Administration (https://linear.gov) is dedicated to providing equitable health care to the nation's highest-need communities. The organization serves people who are geographically isolated and economically or medically vulnerable. HRSA programs support people with low incomes, people with HIV, pregnant people, children, parents, rural communities, transplant patients, and other communities in need, as well as the health workforce, health systems, and facilities that care for them.

Find medical coverage with <u>healthcare.gov</u>, <u>medicaid.gov</u> and <u>medicare.gov</u>.

Disability Resources:

The National Council on Disability (<u>ncd.gov</u>) is an independent federal agency committed to disability policy leadership since 1978.

The National Institute on Disability, Independent Living and Rehabilitation Research is the federal government's primary disability research organization. NIDILRR is part of the Administration for Community Living (acl.gov).

Workforce Resources:

The US Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (<u>eeoc.gov</u>) is responsible for enforcing federal laws that make it illegal to discriminate against a job applicant or an employee because of the person's race, color, religion, sex (including pregnancy and related conditions, gender identity, and sexual orientation), national origin, age (40 or older), disability or genetic information.

The US Department of Labor's (<u>dol.gov</u>) mission is to foster, promote, and develop the welfare of the wage earners, job seekers, and retirees of the United States; improve working conditions; advance opportunities for profitable employment; and assure work-related benefits and rights.

Consumer Law Resources:

The Federal Trade Commission's Bureau of Consumer Protection (<u>ftc.gov</u>) stops unfair, deceptive and fraudulent business practices by collecting reports from consumers and conducting investigations, suing companies and people that break the law, developing rules to maintain a fair marketplace, and educating consumers and businesses about their rights and responsibilities.

The National Consumer Law Center (nclc.org) addresses racial and economic equality.

FEDERAL RESOURCES:

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U.S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE: CIVIL RIGHTS DIVISION

AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION

U.S. CITIZENSHIP & IMMIGRATION SERVICES

IMMIRATION ADVOCATES NETWORK

U.S. DEPT. OF VETERANS AFFAIRS
NATIONAL VETERANS FOUNDATION

HEALTH RESOURCES & SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

AND SO MANY MORE...



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