

**Nosotros ofrecemos representación legal gratuita a clientes calificados en las áreas siguientes:**

- Alojamiento
- Ayuda Legal Para Los Ancianos
- Protección Y Abogacía Para Las Personas Con Incapacidades
- Beneficios Públicos
- Seguro Social Y Reclamos de Incapacidad de SSI
- Abogacía Para Menores
- SIDA (HIV)/AIDS
- Violencia Domestica
- Violencia Domestica (Divorcio)
- Protección Y Abogacía Para Las Personas Con Incapacidades De Desarrollo Mental
- Servicios Para El Apoyo de La Comunidad (Solamente en el Condado de Westchester)

**Para conseguir acceso a nuestros servicios:**

**Departamento de Entrevistas:**  
1-877-574-8529

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- Recently unemployed men and women denied benefits
- Veterans of Iraq and Afghanistan needing legal help
- Grandmothers scammed by predatory lenders
- Family members who need protection from abuse
- Parents and their children served with an eviction notice
- Disabled children denied an appropriate education

*“Access to civil legal services is critical to the preservation of our right to equal justice before the law. Please take the time to inform others of this important truth and the availability of these valuable services.”*

Barbara Finkelstein, Executive Director, LSHV

**How you can help?**

**Make a contribution**

On our Web site [www.lshv.org](http://www.lshv.org)  
OR at our mail address **90 Maple Avenue  
White Plains, NY 10601**  
OR call **914-949-1305 ext. 160**

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Attorneys may contact  
our pro bono director **914-949-1305 ext. 127**

**For legal help:**

Our Intake department **1-877-574-8529**

*“Legal Services of the Hudson Valley gives hope. They save lives by applying the law.”*

John Feerick, former Dean, Fordham Law School.



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**Legal Help for Qualified  
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Individuals and Children**

- Prevent families from becoming homeless
- Help victims and survivors of abuse
- Pursue access to education and other services for children and adults with disabilities
- Assure rightful benefits for recently unemployed



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# Legal Services of the Hudson Valley



LSHV is comprised of a group of experienced and dedicated staff attorneys and volunteer lawyers who are passionate advocates for our credo—Protecting Rights, Promoting Justice. Experience and passion for this mission is why Legal Services of the Hudson Valley has been able to provide free legal assistance to nearly 150,000 clients since it was founded in 1967. With offices in White Plains, Yonkers, Mount Vernon, Newburgh, Kingston, and Poughkeepsie, the 50-member legal staff, plus our volunteer attorneys serve approximately 13,000 clients each year.

Legal Services of the Hudson Valley is the only legal safety net in seven counties that helps low-income and newly unemployed families, individuals, senior citizens, and children. LSHV provides free civil (non-criminal) legal counsel and representation to protect a person's right to the basic necessities of life as guaranteed by law. Clients whose household incomes are 200% or less of the federal poverty guidelines will typically qualify for LSHV's services.

LSHV's services are funded, in part, by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, the New York State Office for the Aging, and Department of Health, The Westchester County Department of Senior Programs and Services, and the Westchester County Office for Women.

## LSHV provides free legal representation in the following areas:

### Housing

It is our goal to prevent unlawful evictions and to reduce homelessness. We provide legal representation and advice to tenants in eviction and foreclosure proceedings to ensure that a tenant's rights are preserved.

### Elder Law

We provide a wide range of advocacy and legal representation to our elderly clients in practice areas including housing, benefits, Medicaid, future planning and home care cases.

### Protection and Advocacy for the Disabled

We provide legal assistance to individuals with disabilities on issues such as discrimination under the Americans with Disabilities Act.

### Public Benefits

We provide legal assistance to individuals who have been wrongly denied or terminated from public assistance programs, including Food Stamps, unemployment insurance, Medicaid, and cash assistance.

### Social Security and SSI Disability Claims

Our Disability Advocacy Unit represents people who are filing claims for disability benefits or are appealing the termination or denial of federal benefits.

### Children's Advocacy

We provide advocacy and legal representation to children in areas including: education and special education law, disabilities advocacy, permanency planning, benefits, guardianship and housing.

### HIV/AIDS

We assist individuals affected by HIV/AIDS who face a broad range of legal issues including discrimination, housing, HIV confidentiality, disability, Medicaid, and permanency planning.

### Domestic Violence

LSHV helps victims and survivors of domestic violence to obtain orders of protection and assists with related legal issues such as child custody, visitations, child support, and immigration remedies.

### Domestic Violence: Divorce Project

We locate attorneys to represent victims of domestic violence in obtaining divorces at no cost.

### Protection and Advocacy for Developmentally Disabled

We provide information, referrals and legal representation to children and adults with developmental disabilities in practice areas such as Social Security/SSI, special education law, housing discrimination, rehabilitation programs, transportation and employment.

### Community Support Services

We assist adults in Westchester County who suffer from mental illness with a broad array of legal services such as housing, disability and other general legal matters.

### Also

We provide technical assistance to lawyers in the community, helping them become more effective in representing special needs clients. We provide education and outreach to the community and to other agencies pertaining to legal rights and how to protect them. We refer individuals who are not eligible for our services to federal, state and local agencies who may give them the help they require.

