Legal Aid Foundation of Los Angeles

- The Frontline law firm for poor and low-income people in Los Angeles.

- Each year LAFLA serves 80,000 people in civil legal matters by providing direct representation and other legal assistance.

- Five neighborhood offices, four court-based Self-Help Centers, and three domestic violence clinics.
Where is LAFLA? Community Offices

Where is LAFLA? Self-Help Centers
Where is LAFLA? Domestic Violence Clinics

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Some of the Services LAFLA provides:

- Eviction Defense
- Subsidized Housing Issues
- Government Benefits
- Family Law/Domestic Violence
- Immigration
- Employment
- Expungements
- Student Loans
Overview of Measure H Legal Services

- **Two Programs** –
  - **Homeless Prevention:**
    - Help clients at-risk of homelessness from becoming homelessness and maintain housing.
    - Help clients sustain their housing going forward.
  - **Support Case Management and Homeless Individuals:**
    - Provide legal services that remove barriers to housing
    - Assist in the Housing First model
    - Training and capacity building for clients and case managers
  - **Provide Legal Services to 1800 clients annually (150 month)**
    - 70% of enrolled participants successfully resolve one or more legal issues.
Referrals

- All clients must be referred through CES participating agency
- Providers screen for eligibility and refer to legal provider
- Legal service provider accept referral unless in rare case “decidedly unlikely to prevail on the merits”
- Individualized legal services plan to obtain/preserve housing
- Legal matter resolved within one year
- CBEST clients are referred to existing collaborative agency

Legal Services to Be Provided

- Eviction prevention
- Expungement of criminal records
- Birth Certificate advocacy
- Landlord/tenant dispute resolution
- Government benefits (not SSI, VA, or CAPI)
- Reasonable accommodations
- Minor immigration issues (U Visas, VAWA, etc.)
- Dealing with financial debt
- Subsidized housing access
- Professional licenses and identification
- Whatever else to end or prevent homelessness or remove barriers to housing
Client Success Story

Example of Client Story in SPA 8

Timeline of Measure H Legal Services

- **April 1, 2018**: LAFLA’s Official Start Date.
- **May 1, 2018**: Officially start serving clients for all SPAs.
- **June 21, 2018**: Assisting 76 individuals or families from both SPAs about 80% are from SPA 8.
CONTACT LAFLA

APPLY ONLINE AT http://lafla.org/help

CALL US AT 800-399-4529 Monday - Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

ATTEND A LAFLA CLINIC http://lafla.org/self-help/calendar

VISIT A LAFLA OFFICE http://lafla.org/about-us/locations