

LEGAL ASSISTANCE RESOURCES

2018

Name & Location	Phone Number	Days/Hours	Services Provided
Cedar Rapids Civil Rights Commission Veterans Memorial Bldg. 50 2 nd Ave. Bridge 7 th floor Cedar Rapids, IA 52401	General 286-5036 Fax 343-1109 Email civilrights@cedar-rapids.org	Monday - Friday, 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM.	Investigates complaints of discrimination in the areas of employment, public accommodation, housing, credit and education. Provides education about discrimination. Includes issues within the city limits of Cedar Rapids and Marion. For other areas, refer to Iowa Civil Rights Commission. http://www.cedar-rapids.org/government/departments/civil-rights/pages/default.aspx
Child Support Recovery 411 3rd Street SE, Ste. 200 Cedar Rapids, IA 52401	398-3619 Fax 515-564-4126 Automated 888-229-9223	Local assistance Monday - Friday, 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM State Child Support Monday - Friday, 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM	Provides assistance in establishment and recovery of child support. Education on specifics of child support topics. Provides ability to use debit and credit cards on site to pay and receive child support as of Dec. 1, 2014. Serving Linn, Iowa, and Johnson Counties. http://www.childsupport.ia.gov
Iowa Civil Rights Commission Grimes State Office Bldg. 400 E. 14 th St. Des Moines, IA. 50319	515-281-4121 800-457-4416 Fax 515-242-5840	Monday - Friday, 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM.	The Iowa Civil Rights Commission is a neutral, fact-finding law enforcement agency. The mission of the Iowa Civil Rights Commission is to end discrimination within the state of Iowa. To achieve this goal, the ICRC must effectively enforce the Iowa Civil Rights Act. The Commission's primary duty is to enforce state and federal laws that prohibit discrimination in employment, public accommodations, housing, education and credit by investigating and litigating civil rights complaints. The Commission also provides conflict resolution services including mediation and conciliation for civil rights matters. In addition to its role as a law enforcement agency, the Commission works to prevent discrimination by providing training and education to the public. http://www.state.ia.us/government/CRC
Iowa Concern Phone Service offered through Iowa State University Extension Office	800-447-1985	Phones are answered 24/7.	Provides free legal information over the phone.
Iowa Judicial Branch	Resource operates online only		Provides access to various court forms including divorces with children, divorces without children, child support modification, name changes and others. www.iowacourts.gov

For more information regarding community resources, contact United Way 2-1-1 by phone at 2-1-1, 319-739-4211, or 1-866-469-2211.

You may also choose to search the new United Way 2-1-1 website for resources at www.firstcallforhelpiowa.org.

To obtain a copy of the Resource Charts, go to www.linncounty.org/communityservices or contact Linn County Community Services at 892-5600.

For questions about the Resource Charts, contact Linn County Community Services at 892-5600.

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Iowa Legal Aid 317 Seventh Avenue SE, Ste. 404 Cedar Rapids, IA 52401	364-6108 800-532-1275 Hotline for Older Iowans 800-992-8161 Spanish (Español) 800-532-1275	In person assistance available Monday - Friday , 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM New intakes taken by phone: Monday - Friday, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM <i>Not Thursday afternoons 1:30 PM - 3:30 PM</i> If an emergency, new applications are accepted at any time. Interpreters provided. Apply online anytime.	Free legal services for persons who meet income and asset guidelines for non-criminal legal problems such as: EDUCATION (Special education issues, expulsions from school, denial of enrollment or discrimination within the educational system) CONSUMER PROBLEMS (Utility shut-off, debt collection issues, garnishments, etc.) FAMILY LAW (Protective orders for victims of domestic abuse, divorce and custody matters that involve domestic abuse, and other family law matters that involve domestic abuse) EMPLOYMENT (Unemployment and employment discrimination issues) HEALTH (Medicaid, Medicare, problems in health care facilities and health insurance issues) HOUSING (Federally subsidized housing rights, eviction, remedying housing defects, housing discrimination and mortgage foreclosure) INCOME MAINTENANCE (FIP, Food Stamps, General Relief, Veterans Benefits, SSI, and Unemployment benefits) INCOME TAX issues primarily for persons with English as a second language. CONFLICT/CONTROVERSY with the IRS INDIVIDUAL RIGHTS (Rights of persons who have mental or physical disabilities, rights of migrants and seasonal farm workers, rights of persons with HIV/AIDS) ISSUES for returning veterans http://www.iowalegalaid.org
Iowa Mortgage Help Hotline	877-622-4866	Call for assistance.	Provides a one-stop statewide service to Iowa residents facing any type of mortgage difficulties or foreclosure. Consumers are provided with case management services which coordinate housing counseling, negotiation, and legal advice and assistance. The goal is to prevent the loss of homes in difficulty or foreclosure. Iowa Mortgage Help (IMH) is a partnership of the Iowa Legal Aid, and HUD-certified housing counseling agencies in Iowa.
Iowa State Bar Association Find-A-Lawyer Service	Service operates online only		Provides online service with names of attorneys in your area that handle your type of legal matter. If you should decide to meet with this attorney, there will be a fee of \$25 for the first half-hour. The fee after the first half-hour will be between you and that attorney. http://www.iowamortgagehelp.com http://www.iowafindalawyer.com
Justice for Our Neighbors c/o Lovely Lane United Methodist Church 2424 42nd St. NE Cedar Rapids, IA 52402	515-255-9809	Assistance available in Cedar Rapids by appointment only.	Provides free legal advice by licensed attorneys at the clinic, assists clients throughout their immigration case. Volunteers advocate for fairer laws for, and better treatment of, those who seek refuge in our communities. http://www.iajfon.org

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Kids First Law Center 420 6th Street SE, Ste. 160 Cedar Rapids, IA 52401	365-5437	9:00 AM - 4:30 PM Call for appointment.	Kids First provides professional mediation for parents in joint parenting sessions, helping parents find common ground and resolve issues related to custody, parenting, and visitation. Kids First is a safe, neutral site where parents can conduct exchanges for visitation times. In addition, Kids First provides legal representation of school-aged children in high-conflict custody and divorce situations. Appointment of a Kids First attorney is through the courts. Kids First also holds the required "Kids First Workshop" for children ages 6-16, of divorcing parents. The workshop helps kids understand and cope with their parent's separation and divorce. http://www.kidsfirstiowa.org
RSH Legal 425 Second St SE, Ste. 1140 Cedar Rapids, IA 52401	365-9200 Fax 365-1114	Monday - Friday, 8:30 AM-5:00 PM.	Legal consultation and representation provided on Social Security Disability claims, workman's compensation, personal injury, medical malpractice, and nursing home cases. Cases are accepted on a contingent fee basis. Serves Linn and surrounding counties. http://www.fightingforfairness.com
University of Iowa Legal Clinic 380 Boyd Law Building Melrose & Byington St. Iowa City, IA 52242-1113	335-9023 Email: law-legal-clinic@uiowa.edu	Monday-Friday, 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM & 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM Call for Appointment	Clinical law services in areas of employment, consumer and disability law, and domestic violence. Limited immigration law. Screening for cases they handle and available attorneys. No income criteria. http://www.law.uiowa.edu/clinic