

COLORADO DIRECTORY OF PRO BONO CIVIL LEGAL SERVICES FOR VICTIMS OF CRIME

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Alternative Horizons, Bridges of Hope Legal Project

Communities Served: Communities in the 6th Judicial District: all communities in La Plata County & San Juan County (advocacy and legal assistance) and Archuleta County (legal assistance only)

Agency Contact: Any member of staff

Phone: 970-247-4374

How to Access Legal Program: Contact AH and speak with Legal Advocate to be screened into the Project

Civil Legal Services Provided:

- Legal Advocate court accompaniment and support throughout civil cases or following perpetrator's arrest
 - Legal consultations and legal representation in the areas of protection orders, dissolution of marriage, and/or allocation of parental responsibilities
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Alternatives to Violence

Communities Served: Larimer County

Agency Contact: Kari Clark, Executive Director

Phone: 970-669-5151, ext 105

Email: kari.clark@alternativestoviolence.org

Legal Program Contact: Jessi Colehour, Non-Residential Program Manager

How to Access Legal Program: In person, Zoom or by phone

Civil Legal Services Provided:

- Assistance/advocacy with victims compensation
 - Protection orders and court advocacy
 - We have an MOU with Bringing Justice Home in Fort Collins to refer for legal representation
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Bright Future Foundation

Communities Served: Eagle County

Agency Contact: Sheri Mintz is CEO and Holly Kasper-Blank is COO.

Phone: General office number 970-949-7097 or 24 Hour Crisis Hotline 970-949-7086

Legal Program Contact: If initiating contact as a new client, the general office number is usually overseen by Jen Rogus. After the initial intake, the client would have an advocate assigned as point of contact from that time forward.

How to Access Legal Program: Complete intake process with advocate Monday through Friday during business hours. Intakes are generally conducted in person at our Avon office located at 1060 W Beaver Creek Blvd, Suite 201, but other arrangements have been made as necessitated by COVID considerations and according to the local COVID restrictions in place at the time.

Civil Legal Services Provided:

- Staff attorney provides assistance (consultation and limited representation as determined by staff) with civil protection orders, domestic relations (family law) issues, landlord-tenant issues.

Bringing Justice Home, project of Crossroads Safehouse

Communities Served: Larimer, Weld, Jackson, Grand, Routt and Moffat counties

Phone: 970-224-2966

Email: help@bringingjusticehome.org

Legal Program Contact: Managing Attorney, Rebekah Berry-Chaney

How to Access Legal Program: Participants can get connected to our services through our partner agencies or by contacting our office directly at the above.

Website <https://crossroadssafehouse.org/service-program/bringing-justice-home/>

We hope to have an online application process at some point in the future.

Civil Legal Services Provided:

Bringing Justice Home (BJH) is a project of Crossroads Safehouse that provides eligible low-income domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking survivors with:

- no-cost legal services in civil legal matters
- BJH does not provide criminal legal defense
- Representation, unbundled legal services, and brief advice are provided by two full time and one part time licensed attorneys for eligible applicants.
- We host a weekly legal clinic that is accessible only to clients of our 11 different partner agencies.
- Clients can sign up for our legal clinic through their advocate at one of our partner agencies.

Crisis Center

Communities Served: 18th Judicial District – sometimes it depends on where the client has filed civil paperwork.

Agency Contact: Shelley Reader, Advocacy Manager

Phone: 303-688-1094

Email: sreader@thecrisiscenter.org

Legal Program Contact: Shelley Reader, Advocacy Manager

How to Access Legal Program: 24-hour Crisis Line 303-688-8484

Civil Legal Services Provided:

- No legal representation provided.
 - Assistance with understanding civil processes, filing paperwork, court support, referrals
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Crossroads Safehouse

Communities Served: We can provide supportive services to victims via phone regardless of county or judicial district.

Phone: 970-482-3505, 1-888-541-SAFE

Email: info@crossroadssafehouse.org

Legal Program Contact: Stacie Sutter, Legal Advocacy & DART Manager, 970-482-3535 or ssutter@crossroadssafehouse.org.

How to Access Legal Program: Individuals can contact us by reaching out with the contact information listed above or going online to crossroadssafehouse.org.

Civil Legal Services Provided:

- We are not attorneys and cannot provide representation or legal advice.
 - Discuss survivor's options and provide support surrounding the legal system
 - Court accompaniment
 - Civil protection orders
 - Referrals
 - Enrollment in Colorado's address confidentiality program.
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Deaf Overcoming Violence through Empowerment (DOVE)

Communities Served: DOVE provides services statewide however works mostly in 1st, 2nd, 4th, 17th, 18th and 20th Judicial Districts.

Phone: 720-210-5648

Legal Program Contact: Al Mascarenas - Empowerment and Advocacy Coordinator

How to Access Legal Program: Hotline VP: (303) 831-7874 Hotline email: hotline@deafdove.org Non-emergency phone number: (303) 831-7932

Civil Legal Services Provided:

DOVE specializes in providing direct communication access for the Deaf, DeafBlind, DeafDisabled, and Hard of Hearing community members in American Sign Language (ASL). Survivors served by DOVE are limited to individuals that are 13 or older.

- Access to legal documents including but not limited to protective orders and divorce documents.
- We also utilize our network of Certified Deaf Interpreters (CDIs) and Certified Legal Interpreters to assist with document translation between English and ASL.
- DOVE's advocates work with both the legal system and criminal our survivors to ensure that survivors have interpreters working with them during legal procedures who have met and obtained licensure through the Colorado Commissioner for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing and DeafBlind (CCDHHDB).
- These services are offered for individuals who are going through both civil hearings.
- DOVE also works with our survivors to ensure navigation through the legal system is accessible regardless of English comprehension.

Family Tree

Communities Served: 1st Judicial District (Jefferson/Gilpin Counties)

Phone: (303)271-6100

Legal Program Contact: Jeffrey Hahn, Program Director, Legal Advocacy Program (303)271-6133

How to Access Legal Program: Call PorchLight Family Justice Center at (303)271-6100

Civil Legal Services Provided:

- Legal information and support for victims of sexual assault, stalking and domestic violence.
- Legal advocate assistance with civil protection orders, divorce and child custody issues.

Karis, Inc.

Communities Served: Mesa County

Agency Contact: John Mok-Lamme

Phone: (970) 234-1810

Email: jmoklamme@karisinc.org

Legal Program Contact: Sarah Bunting, Zoe House Program Coordinator/Case Manager

How to Access Legal Program: through a Case Manager or Youth Advocate (Karis staff)

Civil Legal Services Provided:

- Assistance in helping survivors fill out protection orders
 - Helping survivors understand their legal rights
 - Legal and court appointment
 - Contract legal services to provide attorney representation to survivors in domestic relations cases
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Project Hope of Gunnison Valley

Communities Served: Gunnison and Hinsdale

Phone: Office: 970-641-2712 crisis: 970-275-1193

Email: info@hope4gv.org

Legal Program Contact: Jessica Wurtz

How to Access Legal Program: Call the office, call or text the crisis line, email, walk. We also respond to direct messages through our Facebook or Instagram pages @projecthopegv

Civil Legal Services Provided:

- Referrals to legal resources
 - Assistance with applying and filing for protection orders
 - Accompaniment to court proceedings/legal meetings/interviews
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Project Safeguard

Communities Served: Adams, Arapahoe, Broomfield and Denver counties (in-house attorney services are also available in Jefferson and Douglas counties)

Agency Contact: Jennifer Eyl, Executive Director

Phone: 720-827-3281

Email: jeyl@psghelps.org

Legal Program Contact: Shae Davis, Program Director

Legal Program Phone: 720-618-3482

Legal Program Email: info@psghelps.org

How to Access Legal Program: Clients seeking attorney services must complete an intake and be referred by a legal advocate for each service. Survivors can reach an advocate by calling 303-219-7049 or emailing info@psghelps.org. No in-person services at this time.

Civil Legal Services Provided:

- Legal advocacy and attorney services for survivors of gender-based violence.
- Legal advocates provide assistance with civil protection orders, housing issues, domestic relations matters, criminal matters, safety planning, and referrals to other agencies including legal service providers.
- All legal advocates are Address Confidentiality Program Applicant Assistants.
- Virtual Divorce and Custody Clinic conducted by volunteer attorneys. Open to clients only (must complete intake with an advocate).
- Lawyers for Victims Program offers attorney representation by contract attorneys for county court permanent protection order hearings.
- Attorney Services Program provides unbundled services and representation in primarily civil protection order and domestic relations matters.
- Victims must complete an intake with an advocate to be eligible for clinic, Lawyers for Victims and Attorney Services Program.

RISE ABOVE VIOLENCE

Communities Served: Archuleta County

Phone: 24/7 Hotline and first-time callers: 970-264-9075; Specific staff member: 970-264-1129 (with menu and voicemail option).

How to Access Legal Program: 24/7 Hotline: 970-264-9075

website: <https://www.riseaboveviolence.org/#/> (includes link to doxy.me)

email: contactus@riseaboveviolence.org

FOR FAMILY LAW (NON-emergency, Wed-Fri only): Lisa Sifrit, 970-264-1129, ext 7 or lisa@riseaboveviolence.org. Application required.

Civil Legal Services Provided:

- Consultations with family law attorneys
- Contract attorneys for divorce/allocation of parental responsibilities.
- Application required for family law services.
- ALL advocates help with civil protection order filings and hearings

Rocky Mountain Victim Law Center

Communities Served: Statewide

Agency Contact: Kazi Houston, JD, MSW, Legal Director

Phone: 303-295-2001

LINC Helpline: 720-583-2929

Email: info@rmvictimlaw.org

Website: <https://www.rmvictimlaw.org/programs-services/request-intake>

Legal Program Contact: Kazi Houston, Legal Director

How to Access Legal Program: Call or Email

Civil Legal Services Provided:

- Victim Rights Legal Program: Victim Rights Act legal assistance for victims and witnesses in criminal matters
- Project Attorney Connect: Contract attorney consultation and representation in post-decree family law, housing, immigration and other limited scope matters
- Title IX Program: Legal assistance for victims navigating K-12 and high education Title IX processes.
- Legal Information Network of Colorado (LINC): Legal information on a variety of topics related to victimization. LINC website contains detailed information for victims and service providers – www.coloradolinc.org

S.H.A.R.E., Inc.

Communities Served: Morgan, Washington, and Yuma counties

Agency Contact: Jody Strouse, Executive Director

Phone: 24 hour crisis line: 970-867-4444 extension 1 from 8-5pm, and extension 2 after hours

Legal Program Contact: Alicia Fierro, Outreach Director 970-867-4444 extension 29

How to Access Legal Program: Call our 24 hour crisis line at 970-867-4444 extension 1 from 8-5pm, and extension 2 after hours

Civil Legal Services Provided:

- Advocate assistance with documents including protection orders, custody, and divorce

Safe Shelter of St. Vrain Valley

Communities Served: Boulder, Weld, Denver, Adams, Jefferson and Larimer counties

Agency Contact: Jackie List

Phone: Main Line: 303.772.0432

Crisis Line: 303.772.4422

Spanish Crisis Line: 720.530.0694

Email: info@safeshelterofstvrain.org

Legal Program Contact: Ashleigh Sketch, Legal Advocate

ashleigh@safeshelterofstvrain.org

303-772-0432, ext.106

How to Access Legal Program: 24/7 Crisis Line: 303.772.4422; Spanish Crisis Line: 720.530.0694

Website: info@safeshelterofstvrain.org

Walk-in: 82 21st Ave. Longmont 80501

Mobile Advocacy: Staff will meet with survivors at safe locations in the community

Teen Text Line: 720-340-8372

Civil Legal Services Provided:

- Information and assistance for victims engaged with the civil and/or criminal legal systems.
- Legal Advocacy for obtaining protection orders, criminal cases, fair housing disputes, child protection system, and applying for VAWA Self-Petitions and U/T Visas.
- Legal clinics and referrals to attorneys for representation.
- Court Watch places personnel in the courtroom during hearings to ensure that the rights of victims are honored.
- EXPANDED LEGAL SERVICES PROGRAM (ELSP) provides funding for clients to secure attorney representation. ELSP clients are those who cannot afford or do not qualify for traditional Legal Aid.

SPAN (Safehouse Progressive Alliance for Non-Violence)

Communities Served: Boulder and Broomfield

Agency Contact: Legal Advocacy Director - Veronica Horn (Spanish bilingual)

Phone: Outreach Center 303.449.8623 or 24/7 Crisis Line 303.444.2424 (Best way to access services is to call crisis line)

Email: veronica@safehousealliance.org

How to Access Legal Program:

Legal Advocacy Director - Veronica Horn (Spanish bilingual) 303.449.8623 Ext. 103,
veronica@safehousealliance.org

Legal Advocates - Marta Nicita (Spanish bilingual), 303.449.8623 Ext. 119, marta@safehousealliance.org
Emma James, 303.449.8623 Ext. 108, emma@safehousealliance.org

Legal Program Team Email: legaladvocacy@safehousealliance.org

Civil Legal Services Provided:

SPAN's Legal Advocacy Program:

- Help, support, and assist survivors navigate the legal system and legal processes - criminal, civil, and immigration.
- Support and assistance for civil protection orders, divorce, custody, parenting issues, child support, name change, etc.
- Attorney referrals, general referrals and resources.
- Lawyers For Victims Program: attorney representation for Permanent Civil Protection Orders for survivors of DV/IPV, SA, Stalking, family violence. (Eligibility determined by completing a legal intake)
- Address Confidentiality Program Assistance
- Criminal issues:
 - Survivor support following police intervention; support during an abuser's criminal case; support for a survivor who has a criminal case (this is assessed carefully).
 - Attorney referrals, general referrals, and resources.
 - Assistance with Victim Compensation
 - Support in working with the DA's Office, court personnel, etc.
- Immigration issues:
 - Information re rights and options.
 - Attorney referrals, general referrals, and resources.
 - Support with immigration processes.
- SPAN's Housing Program:
 - Support with landlord/tenant issues
 - Termination of leases, evictions, etc.
 - Limited housing options.

Summit Advocates

Communities Served: 5th Judicial District - Counties: Summit, Eagle, Lake, Clear Creek, and other neighboring counties. (Not limited to those listed but majority of our clients are from Summit)

Phone: 24/7 Crisis Line: (970) 668-3906 Office: (970) 668-3906

Legal Program Contact: Jessie T. Sack, Staff Attorney/Legal Program Coordinator

How to Access Legal Program:

Phone: (970) 668-3906

Email: info@summitadvocates.org

Website: <http://summitadvocates.org/>

**Survivors have to call the crisis line or email us. Then our bilingual advocate, who is the first point of contact for every client, will conduct a full intake to assess. From there, depending on what the client needs, the advocate may refer to our housing/shelter program or our legal program.

Civil Legal Services Provided:

- Permanent Protection Order Representation
- Family Law (divorce, APR, custody, child support)
 - Limited assistance representation
 - Legal advice and referrals
 - Assistance completing forms and drafting documents
 - Conduct legal research
 - Coach and prepare for hearings, mediation, and other proceedings (no court appearances)
 - Representation at mediation
 - Virtual divorce workshops coming soon
- Immigration (only affirmative cases, full representation)
 - U visa certifications and U visa applications
 - T visas
 - VAWA Petitions
 - Domestic-violence based asylum
 - DACA-Citizenship applications
 - Adjustment of status applications

TESSA

Communities Served: El Paso and Teller counties

Phone: Main: 719.633.1462 Safe Line: 719.633.3819

Legal Program Contact: Darryl Glenn, Chief Legal Officer

How to Access Legal Program: Call

Civil Legal Services Provided:

- Family Law Consultations (Divorce, Parenting Time, Visitation), Permanent Protection Order representation
 - Title IX Higher Ed sexual assault representation and legal advocacy
 - Military sexual assault legal advocacy
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A Woman's Place

Communities Served: Weld County

Phone: crisis line: 970-356-4226

Email: info@awpdv.org

Legal Program Contact: Vanessa

How to Access Legal Program: Call our crisis line or email us for an appointment or more information

Civil Legal Services Provided:

- Assist survivors/victims navigate the civil legal system
- Assist with civil protection order applications
- Provide silent support in court
- Assist in applying for victims compensation
- Refer clients to agencies that provide legal representation.