

LEGAL AID BUREAU OF BUFFALO

Established in 1912 and serving more than 20,000 individuals annually, the Legal Aid Bureau of Buffalo is the largest and oldest provider of indigent legal services in Western New York. Our agency provides legal help in both civil and criminal law.

We provide a range of holistic services to help individuals suffering from addiction, individuals with mental illness, victims of human trafficking, domestic violence victims, abused and neglected children, children facing challenges in obtaining equal access to education, tenants, veterans, formerly incarcerated individuals, victims of workplace abuse, immigrants and refugees, persons with disabilities, homeowners facing foreclosures, and other vulnerable Western New Yorkers. Our staff, volunteers, funders, and donors have been making a difference for over 100 years.

OUR MISSION

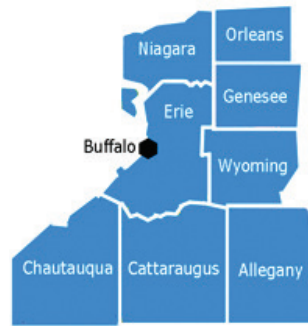
Our mission is to provide access to justice and due process to the most vulnerable individuals, children, and families through quality legal representation and assistance.

HOW TO HELP

Make a secure, tax-deductible online donation at legalaidthbuffalo.org/donate.

Our services are made possible by:

- State of New York
- NYS IOLA Fund
- NYS AG Home Owner Protection Plan
- Erie County
- NYS Judiciary Civil Legal Services Fund
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Service is available
Monday to Friday
from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

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Everyone We Serve

Proud to Serve Western
New York Since 1912



REENTRY SERVICES

- Housing
- Employment
- Educational Opportunities
- Financial Stability



We provide legal help to financially eligible,
low-income Western New Yorkers.

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We help individuals with criminal records to address civil legal matters that are barriers to community re-integration, working to secure fair and equal treatment for these individuals within the legal system and facilitate successful community and family reunification.

Individuals who have been incarcerated or have criminal records have an incredible set of barriers to overcome if they wish to leave their past behind. In addition to the stigma a criminal conviction creates, there are often civil legal matters that have been unattended for some time.

In many cases these legal issues have now grown to be significant obstacles in the pursuit of employment, education, housing, and family reunification.

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HOLISTIC LEGAL SERVICES

We provide holistic support to formerly incarcerated individuals in a wide range of matters:

- Housing
- Employment
- Educational opportunities
- Child Support
- Divorce
- DMV suspensions
- Financial stability
- Consumer protection
- Social support services
- Immigration matters
- Certificates of Relief from Disability
- Certificates of Good Conduct
- Sealing of Criminal Convictions when allowable
- Driver's license reinstatement
- Access to counseling

NEEDS ASSESSMENT

We are invested in the success of each of our clients.

We connect our clients with with resources, opportunities, and services related to education, mental health issues, addiction, and other needs.

We have strong relationships with community partners that can be tremendous resources for our clients.

We are proud to be affiliated with the Federal Reentry Court based in the Western District, the University of Buffalo Law School Reentry Practicum, the Erie County Restorative Justice Coalition, the Community Foundation Reentry Coalition, and the Erie County Reentry Task Force.

CLIENT-CENTERED

Our team of attorneys, investigators, social workers and other advocates work together to ensure that the dignity of every client is honored.



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