

# How to Apply for Legal Help

Applying for legal help from ABLE begins with the Legal Aid Line.

## What is Legal Aid Line?

Legal Aid Line offers free intake and referral services for eligible low-income Ohioans living in 32 counties in northwest Ohio and agricultural workers living anywhere in Ohio.

## How Can I Reach Legal Aid Line?



### CALL TOLL-FREE:

(888) 534-1432  
Mon - Fri, 9am - 3pm



### APPLY ONLINE:\*

LegalAidLine.org  
24 hours/day; 7 days/week



**\*Be aware that not all computers are secure.**

If you use a computer shared by others, they may be able to find out that you have connected to the Legal Aid Line website.

If you have concerns about someone else knowing you have contacted us for legal help, we urge you to find a secure computer or contact us by telephone from a safe location.

## How Does Legal Aid Line Work?



When you call Legal Aid Line, you will be asked to input your phone number, including area code, for a callback that same day.

When you apply online at [www.legalaidline.org](http://www.legalaidline.org), you will receive a call from an Intake Specialist in 1-2 business days.

When you receive your callback, you will speak with an Intake Specialist who will gather basic information such as your name, address, birth date, phone number, and the name of the person or business you are having a problem with. The Intake Specialist will also ask you a few questions about the problem you are experiencing.

Please be sure to get your papers and facts together before you apply. Our staff can better assist you if the information you will need is close at hand.

You May be Eligible for

## Free Legal Help



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FOR BASIC LEGAL  
EQUALITY, INC.

[AbleLaw.org](http://AbleLaw.org)

# About ABLE

## ABLE provides services in several areas of law, including:

ABLE is based in Toledo and serves 32 counties in northwest and west central Ohio.

**Advocates for Basic Legal Equality, Inc. (ABLE)** is a non-profit regional law firm that provides high-quality legal assistance in civil matters to help eligible low-income people and groups in western Ohio achieve self-reliance, equal justice, and economic opportunity. We address the root causes of poverty by seeking systemic solutions.

ABLE helps low-income individuals and families meet their basic needs for housing. We help clients gain access to income and other financial supports, find education opportunities for their children, and achieve family stability.

We defend those facing the loss of housing in eviction proceedings, protect the rights of agricultural workers and immigrant families, and develop community assets in areas that have suffered decades of neglect.

We also ensure all children have the opportunity to learn, regardless of race, poverty, disability, or immigrant background. We provide protection and stability for survivors of domestic violence, uphold the rights of older adults receiving long-term care, and increase opportunities for families living in poverty.

- Consumer and Economic Justice
- Fairness in Education
- Medical-Legal Partnership for Children
- Healthcare and Economic Stability
- Housing Justice and Community Economic Development
- Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program
- Agricultural Worker and Immigrant Rights

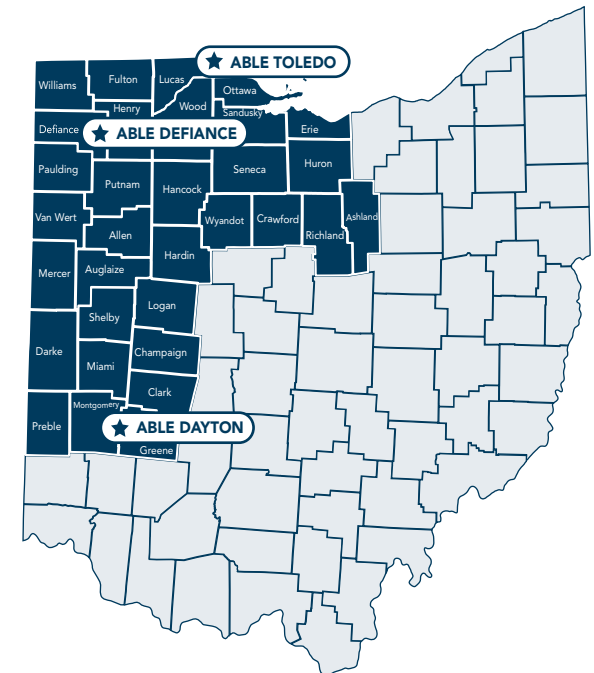
**ABLE is not able to assist with criminal matters.** If you do not see your problem listed above, be sure to check our Self-Help Center at [www.legalaidline.org](http://www.legalaidline.org).

All applicants must meet financial guidelines to receive services. Spanish speaking staff are available to assist those who do not speak English. Assistance for those with a hearing or visual impairment is also available. American Sign Language and other language interpreters are available by appointment.

Some client services are provided by telephone, computer, or mail. Ongoing legal representation may be provided by a legal services attorney or a volunteer attorney program.

We can help you with your legal problem if you live in one of the following Ohio counties: Allen, Ashland, Auglaize, Champaign, Clark, Crawford, Darke, Defiance, Erie, Fulton, Greene, Hancock, Hardin, Henry, Huron, Logan, Lucas, Mercer, Miami, Montgomery, Ottawa, Paulding, Preble, Putnam, Richland, Sandusky, Seneca, Shelby, Van Wert, Williams, Wood, or Wyandot.

**We also serve agricultural workers, immigrants, and refugees throughout the state.**



**ABLE has offices located in Dayton, Defiance, and Toledo.**