

Media Advisory

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Maryland Legal Aid's Tenants' Right to Counsel Project to Partner with the Prince George's County Memorial Library System to Host Legal Aid Clinics

BALTIMORE, MD., March 7, 2024 – Maryland Legal Aid (MLA) is partnering with the Prince George's County Memorial Library System to host Tenants' Rights & Housing Clinics from April through August, occurring on the first Wednesday of each month. The purpose of these clinics is to assist individuals in understanding and maneuvering through the legal landscape. Participants will be able to receive advice and begin the legal intake process with lawyers, aiding them in resolving their housing concerns.

While the primary focus of these walk-in sessions will be on issues related to housing, evictions, and tenants' rights, Maryland Legal Aid will also be prepared to assist with a range of other civil legal concerns. This includes criminal record expungement, family law, health, consumer rights, and employment issues, offering advice and legal support to those in need.

What: Tenants' Rights & Housing Clinics

Where & When:

- Glenarden Branch Library, Wednesday, April 3, 2024 | 12:00PM-3:30PM
- Oxon Hill Branch Library, Wednesday, May 1, 2024 | 1:00PM-4:30PM
- Laurel Branch Library, Wednesday, June 5, 2024 | 1:00PM-4:30PM
- Hyattsville Branch Library, Wednesday, July 3, 2024 | 1:00PM-4:30PM
- Fairmount Heights Branch Library, Wednesday, August 7, 2024 | 1:00PM-4:30PM

For general information about the Tenants' Rights & Housing Clinics, visit <u>https://www.mdlab.org/free-legal-clinics/</u>.



About Maryland Legal Aid

Maryland Legal Aid (MLA) is a statewide private, nonprofit law firm that provides free, civil legal services to low-income and vulnerable people to address their most fundamental legal problems. From its 12 offices around the state and through its many community-based clinics, we help our clients preserve and access safe and affordable housing, maintain custody of their children, and be safe from domestic violence. MLA increases our clients' economic security by defending against consumer debt, including foreclosures and tax sales, removing barriers to employment, and accessing critical income supports such as unemployment, food stamps and other vital public benefits. Through special projects, we represent seniors, nursing home residents, children in alleged abuse and neglect cases, migrant farmworkers, and those in mental health institutions. In its advocacy, MLA seeks systemic change through impact litigation, policy advocacy, and storytelling.