



FREE LEGAL HELP FOR VICTIMS OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE.

Coast to Coast Legal Aid of South Florida provides holistic legal services to victims of intimate partner violence. We will perform a “legal check-up” and may be able to help you with any number of civil legal needs such as injunction for protection, divorce, paternity, housing, benefits, immigration, or enforcement of your victim’s rights in a criminal proceeding. **If you are eligible, the services are FREE.**

FILING A PETITION FOR AN INJUNCTION FOR PROTECTION

You may file a Petition for an Injunction for Protection (restraining order) at the Central Courthouse Judicial Complex, West Building, located at 201 SE 6th St, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301, 2nd Floor, Room 02-140. The phone numbers are 954.831.5570 and 954.831.5579.

The Domestic Violence Intake Unit is open **Monday through Friday from 8:30 AM to 7:00 PM** | **PLEASE NOTE** All filings stop at 5:00 PM.

You may also file a Petition for an Injunction for Protection at the West Regional Courthouse located at 100 North Pine Island Road, Plantation, FL 33324, Room 180. The phone numbers are 954-831-5612 and 954-831-3570.

The West Regional Courthouse is open **Monday through Friday from 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM** | **PLEASE NOTE** All filings after 2:00 PM must be filed at the Broward County Central Courthouse or through the eFiling Portal.

The forms are available online at

browardclerk.org ► DIVISIONS ► DOMESTIC VIOLENCE ► **Forms & Self-Help**
flcourts.org ► SELF-HELP ► **Family Law Forms**

LEGAL REMEDIES THAT MAY BE AVAILABLE TO YOU THROUGH AN INJUNCTION FOR PROTECTION

- If you are granted a Temporary Injunction for Protection (restraining order) or an Order Setting a Hearing on Petition, a hearing will be set, within 15 days, to appear in front of the Judge.
- You should come to Coast to Coast Legal Aid of South Florida for help as soon as you are granted a Temporary Injunction or an Order Setting Hearing.
- At the hearing, the Judge may grant you a Final Judgment of Injunction and extend the Injunction for a certain amount of time or until further order of court.
- If a Final Judgment of Injunction is granted, you may ask the Court for a time-sharing schedule, child support, and possession of your home. You may also ask for the Court to order treatment, classes, and/or counseling.

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Coast to Coast Legal Aid of South Florida may be able to assist you with your family law problem, divorce, paternity case, injunction for protection/restraining order, or other civil legal matter.

If you believe you are a victim of domestic violence and need legal help with **non-emergency** matters, come to our office Monday - Friday, **9:00 AM to 4:00 PM**.

To qualify for assistance you:

- **must be a victim of domestic violence**
- **must live in Broward County**
- **may be required to meet certain income guidelines for divorce, injunctions for protection, and other family law problems**

**IF YOU HAVE BEEN SERVED
WITH LEGAL DOCUMENTS OR
NEED REPRESENTATION AT
YOUR INJUNCTION HEARING,
PLEASE COME TO OUR
OFFICE IMMEDIATELY WITH
YOUR LEGAL DOCUMENTS.**

FAMILY COURT SELF ADVOCACY PROGRAM

Broward County Courthouse
201 S.E. 6th Street, Room WW04101
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301

The Family Court Self Advocacy Program provides general legal information and guidance on the following matters:

- Dissolution of Marriage (divorce)
- Paternity
- Modification of time-sharing and child support
- Family court motions

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FloridaLawHelp.org helps low and moderate income people find free legal aid programs in their community and provides information about their legal rights.

Language interpretation and accessible facilities provided.

Welcoming and affirming of all sexual orientations and gender identities and expressions. We do not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, sex, disability or age.

Coast to Coast Legal Aid of South Florida is an equal opportunity provider and employer.

HOW TO FIND US



★ **Legal Aid Center for Law and Social Justice**

- 1** East Courthouse **2** West Courthouse
3 East Bus Depot (BCT) **4** West Bus Depot (BCT)
5 Plantation General Hospital