

# LEGAL

- Prepare and Prosper Minnesota** ..... (651) 287-0187  
[www.prepareandprosper.org](http://www.prepareandprosper.org). 2610 University Avenue W., St. Paul, MN 55114. Providing free tax assistance for low-income working taxpayers.
- Anoka County Attorney's Office** ..... (763) 324-5550
- Anoka County Attorney's Office, Victim / Witness Program** ..... (763) 324-5540  
[www.anokacounty.us/victimwitness](http://www.anokacounty.us/victimwitness). This program provides court advocacy, referrals, resources and information to crime victims in Anoka County.
- Anoka County Children and Family Services** ..... (763) 324-1440  
**After Hours Call** ..... (612) 852-0935  
[www.anokacounty.us](http://www.anokacounty.us). 8 am-4:30 pm. Report child abuse & neglect.
- Anoka County Child Support** ..... (763) 324-2420  
[www.anokacounty.us](http://www.anokacounty.us). Establishing parentage. Establishing & enforcing orders for support.
- Anoka County Public Defender** ..... (763) 422-3350  
[www.pubdef.state.mn.us](http://www.pubdef.state.mn.us). Deals only with criminal defense cases. Court appointed criminal defense.
- Better Business Bureau of Minnesota** ..... (651) 699-1111  
[www.bbb.org](http://www.bbb.org). If you have difficulty regarding any consumer problem, you may want to file a complaint with the Better Business Bureau. Provides reliability reports. Call before you do business with any company. Monday-Friday, 8 am-5pm.
- Central Minnesota Legal Services** ..... (612) 332-8151  
[www.lawhelpmn.org](http://www.lawhelpmn.org). Offers free legal representation to low income residence of Anoka County in civil (non-criminal) cases. Includes family law, consumer law, unemployment compensation appeals, public assistance (welfare, emergency & daycare assistance, SNAP), tenant/landlord, other non-criminal matters.
- Crime Watch, Operation I.D.** ..... **Crime Prevention Coordinator (763) 324-5179**  
These programs operate in conjunction with the Anoka County Sheriff's office & your local police department to protect your property & your neighborhood. See CIVIC INFORMATION section.
- Estate & Elder Law Services at Volunteers of America MN** ..... (612) 676-6300  
[www.voamnwi.org/estate-andelder-law](http://www.voamnwi.org/estate-andelder-law). Elder law includes wills, trust, estate planning, probate, conservatorships/guardianships, healthcare directives/funerals, power of attorney, Medical Assistance, and real estate. Please visit website.
- HOME Line** ..... (612) 728-5767  
[www.homelinemn.org](http://www.homelinemn.org). Provides free legal, organizing, education & advocacy services so that tenants throughout Minnesota can solve their own rental housing problems.
- Judicare of Anoka County, Inc.** ..... (763) 783-4970  
[www.anokajudicare.org](http://www.anokajudicare.org). Free legal representation for low-income residents of Anoka County, who meet eligibility guidelines. Civil (non-criminal) cases only, including tenant/landlord, employment,

debtor/creditor, public assistance (welfare, SNAP/food support, etc.) domestic relations, and other non-criminal matters. No wills.

**Law Help MN** ..... [www.LawHelpMN.org](http://www.LawHelpMN.org)

Helping low-income Minnesotans solve civil legal problems.

**Lawyer Referral & Information Service**..... (612) 752-6666

[www.hcba.org](http://www.hcba.org). Callers are provided legal information & may be able to schedule an appointment with an experienced attorney for a \$30 administrative fee. \$30 administrative fee may be waived for injury cases & SSI appeals. Low Fee Family Project: reduced fees might be available for working clients. Family court matters only. \$55/hr with a \$500 retainer. Must meet eligibility guidelines.

**Legal Aid Society of Minneapolis**..... (612) 334-5970

**TTY (Hearing Impaired)** ..... (612) 332-4668

[www.mnlegalservices.org](http://www.mnlegalservices.org).

**Mediation Services for Anoka County** ..... (763) 422-8878

[www.mediationservice.org](http://www.mediationservice.org). Since 1987, Mediation services for Anoka County (MSAC), a 501(c)(3) agency, has been helping families, neighbors, schools, landlords, tenants, and consumers to resolve conflict through education, mediation, and restoration services. Professionally trained volunteer mediators assist individuals and communities to successfully resolve problems and create their own solutions using alternative dispute resolution methods including mediation, conflict coaching and restorative practices.

**Minnesota Department of Human Rights** ..... (651) 296-5663

**TTY (Hearing Impaired)** ..... 711 or 1-800-627-3529

[www.MN.gov/mdhr](http://www.MN.gov/mdhr). Enforces MN Human Rights Act. Investigates charges of discrimination in employment, housing, public accommodation, education, & public services.

**Minnesota Office of Consumer Services, Attorney General's Office** ..... (651) 296-3353 or 1-800-657-3787

**TTY (Hearing Impaired)** ..... (651) 297-7206 or 1-800-366-4812

[www.ag.state.mn.us](http://www.ag.state.mn.us). Distributes consumer information and enforces fraud statutes. Mediation services to consumers having problems with businesses.

**Minnesota State Bar Association** ..... [www.mnfindalawyer.com](http://www.mnfindalawyer.com)

Attorney referral service.

**Social Security Administration (To apply)** ..... 1-800-772-1213

**Social Security (Assists Anoka County clients with forms & questions)** ..... (763) 324-2424

**Southern Minnesota Regional Legal Services – Central Office** ..... (651) 222-4731

Advice & representation in non-criminal civil legal matters that are critical to the clients basic needs.

**Tax Assistance** ..... (763) 324-1661

Service provided by the American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) & Anoka County Retired & Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP). Volunteers are trained and tested by the IRS & the MN Department of Revenue to assist senior citizens, low-income families, and disabled persons with filing forms (income tax, property tax, and rent refunds). Volunteers are scheduled at various sites. No charge.

**Taxpayer Advocate Service** ..... (651) 312-7999

[www.irs.gov](http://www.irs.gov). Free assistance for unresolved IRS problems.

**Tubman (Chrysalis Branch)** ..... **(612) 871-0118**  
**TTY (Hearing Impaired)** ..... **(612) 824-2780**  
[www.tubman.org](http://www.tubman.org). 4432 Chicago Ave S, Minneapolis. Provides legal assistance in family law cases, will provide referrals for other types of legal cases. Also offers outpatient center for referral, phone counseling, support groups, chemical dependency, & mental health services. Hablamos Español también.

**Twin Cities Christian Legal Aid (TCCLA)**

[www.tccla.org](http://www.tccla.org). Free legal advice and assistance to qualified individuals. Also offers resource and referral information. Clinics offered at:

- First Covenant Church**.....**(612) 927-3104**
- New Hope Center, Monday, 3-5 pm** ..... **(612) 721-9415**
- St. John’s Lutheran Church, last Monday of each month, 3-5pm**.....**(952)448-2433**
- Union Gospel Mission, Thursday, 4-6 pm** ..... **(651) 292-1721**

**Upper Midwest Pension Rights Project**.....**1-866-783-5021**

[www.midwestpensions.org](http://www.midwestpensions.org). A free, nonprofit legal advocacy agency that assists individuals, of all ages, with pension related issues no matter what your income or value of claim. Serves residents in Minnesota, Wisconsin, Iowa, North Dakota and South Dakota.

**Workers Compensation (Information Line)** ..... **(651) 284-5005 or 1-800-342-5354**

[www.dli.mn.gov](http://www.dli.mn.gov).