LEGAL INFORMATION CENTER

√ Family Law Information

The Legal Information Center is a free program to provide information to people who are representing themselves in family law cases in Hillsborough County. Family law cases include divorce & equitable distribution, timesharing, parental responsibility, custody, child support, alimony, adoption, and name change cases, but NOT cases like guardianship, probate, foreclosures, or any appeals. We cannot assist you with any cases that are not Family Law or any out of county or out of state cases. The Legal Information Center's attorney assists people on a walk-in basis -- first come, first served. No appointments are scheduled. The walk-in hours change each day. Call 813-864-2280, option 1 to listen to a recording that gives information and current walk-in hours. Please call this recording the day you plan to come to verify the walk-in hours.

The Legal Information Center attorney cannot complete forms for you, represent you in court, or give you legal advice. The attorney can give you information about available forms and the legal process so you can make informed decisions about your case. The information that you give to and receive from Legal Information Center personnel is not confidential. If another person involved in your case seeks assistance from this Center, that person will be given the same type of assistance that you receive.

The Legal Information Center is operated by Bay Area Legal Services, a non-profit law firm. Funding for this program is provided by the law firm of Fowler White Boggs and TECO Energy.

FAMILY FORMS CLINIC

√ Family Law Forms

The Family Forms Clinic is a free program that uses volunteer attorneys to help people who do not have an attorney complete Hillsborough County's court-approved family law forms and packets. The Clinic services are available to anyone who is or will be a party in a FAMILY LAW CASE in Hillsborough County. The Clinic volunteers cannot help you with family law forms from another county or state. The volunteers will not complete financial affidavits or child support guidelines worksheets. The volunteers cannot determine whether you are using the correct forms and cannot suggest what you should write on the forms. The volunteers cannot represent you in court or give you legal advice.

The volunteers are available to help you only in person during walk-in hours -- first come, first served. No appointments are scheduled. The hours will vary depending on the availability of the volunteers. Call 813-864-2280, option 2 to listen to a recording that gives information and current walk-in hours. Please call this recording the day you plan to come to verify the walk-in hours.

Pro se litigants coming to the Family Forms Clinic must bring a black pen and their packet of Hillsborough County family law forms. Please do not bring children to the clinic. It is suggested that you visit the Legal Information Center *before* going to the Family Forms Clinic to make sure you are using the correct packet.

The Family Forms Clinic is operated by Hillsborough County volunteer attorneys and the Bay Area Volunteer Lawyers Program.

~ Information & Walk-In Hours ~

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