



## Local Tenant Resources

### BERKELEY RENT BOARD

#### **East Bay Community Law Center**

**ADDRESS:** 2921 Adeline St (between Ashby Ave and Russell St) Berkeley, CA 94703

**PHONE:** 510-548-4040

**EMAIL:** [info@ebclc.org](mailto:info@ebclc.org)

**WEBSITE:** <http://www.ebclc.org>

**HOURS:** Monday – Friday 9:00am – 5:00pm

**INFORMATION:** Counseling and assistance in filing legal papers (for low-income tenants only). FREE community workshops for (low-income) tenants who have disputes with their landlords.

#### **Eviction Defense Center**

**ADDRESS:** 350 Frank Ogawa Plaza, Suite 703 Oakland, CA 94612

**PHONE:** 510-452-4541

**WEBSITE:** [www.evictiondefensecenteroakland.org/](http://www.evictiondefensecenteroakland.org/)

**HOURS:** Mon/Tues/Thurs 9:00 – 5:00pm & Wed/Fri 9:00am – 4:00pm; Closed: 12p – 2p Daily

**INFORMATION:** Nonprofit provides low-cost legal services to tenants facing eviction in Alameda County and the City of Richmond. All services are offered on a sliding scale basis.

#### **Bay Area Legal Aid – Alameda County Office**

**ADDRESS:** 1735 Telegraph Ave Oakland, CA 94612

**PHONE:** 510-663-4744

**FAX:** 510-663-4740

**WEBSITE:** [www.bayarealegalaid.org](http://www.bayarealegalaid.org)

**LEGAL ADVICE HOTLINE:** 800-551-5554

**TENANT'S RIGHTS LINE:** 888-382-3405

**HOURS:** Monday – Friday 9:00am – 5:00pm; Closed 12:00pm – 1:00pm

**INFORMATION:** Provides legal information and help to low-income people in the following areas: Evictions, Housing Discrimination, Terminations, Disputes, Unsafe or unhealthy housing conditions, Lock-outs and Utility shut-offs, and Tenants of foreclosed properties.

#### **Tenants Together**

**ADDRESS:** 1800 Market Street, 3rd floor, San Francisco CA 94102

**PHONE:** 415-982-1300

**FAX:** 415-982-4243

**LEGAL ADVICE HOTLINE:** 800-551-5554

**WEBSITE:** [www.baylegal.org](http://www.baylegal.org)

**INFORMATION:** A nonprofit organization dedicated to defending and advancing the rights of California tenants for safe, decent, and affordable housing.

## **STUDENT RESOURCES**

### **ASUC Renters Legal Assistance**

**ADDRESS:** UC Berkeley Campus 312F Eshleman Hall

**HOURS:** Monday - Friday 9:00am - 4:00pm

**WEBSITE:** [www.ocf.berkeley.edu/~asucrla/](http://www.ocf.berkeley.edu/~asucrla/)

**EMAIL ONLY:** [asucrlastaff@gmail.com](mailto:asucrlastaff@gmail.com)

**INFORMATION:** Counseling, referrals, sample letters (closed during the summer)

### **Student Legal Services**

**ADDRESS:** UC Berkeley Campus 102 Sproul Hall Berkeley, CA 94720

**WEBSITE:** [sls.berkeley.edu](http://sls.berkeley.edu)

**ONLINE APPOINTMENT SYSTEM ONLY**

**INFORMATION:** Counseling and referrals, attorney available for consultation

### **Tang Center for Mental Health**

**ADDRESS:** 2222 Bancroft Way Berkeley, CA 94720

**PHONE:** 510-642-2000

**EMAIL:** [telltang@berkeley.edu](mailto:telltang@berkeley.edu)

**WEBSITE:** [uhs.berkeley.edu/health-topics/mental-health](http://uhs.berkeley.edu/health-topics/mental-health)

**INFORMATION:** Anonymous online screenings, be well resources for stress management, crisis line and more.

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## **SENIOR RESOURCES**

### **Berkeley/East Bay Gray Panthers**

**ADDRESS:** P.O. Box 1126 Berkeley, CA 94701

**PHONE:** 510-842-6224

**FACEBOOK:** [www.facebook.com/berkeleygraypanthers/](http://www.facebook.com/berkeleygraypanthers/)

**INFORMATION:** The Gray Panthers of the Berkeley Area has been a local network of the national Gray Panthers movement since 1972. We organize and educate to support essential basic rights of affordable housing, the homeless, healthcare, education, civil rights, the environment, climate change, immigration, transportation and progressive politics as well as other issues of importance to our members.

### **Legal Assistance for Seniors**

**ADDRESS:** 333 Hegenberger Rd, Suite 850 Oakland, CA 94621

**PHONE:** 510-832-3040

**HOURS:** Monday – Friday 9:00am – 5:00pm (Call for an Appointment)

**WEBSITE:** <http://www.lashicap.org/>

**EMAIL:** [las@lashicap.org](mailto:las@lashicap.org)

# Local Organizations Providing Assistance to Tenants and Landlords

## Mediation Services

### SEEDS Community Resolution Center

**ADDRESS:** 2530 San Pablo Ave, Suite A Berkeley, CA 94702

**PHONE:** 510-548-2377

**WEBSITE:** [www.seedscrc.org](http://www.seedscrc.org)

**EMAIL:** [info@seedscrc.org](mailto:info@seedscrc.org)

**HOURS:** Monday - Thursday, 9:00am – 5:00pm

**INFORMATION:** Mediation, facilitation and training. Can schedule a mediation session within 10 to 14 business days after all parties involved go through an intake process by phone. *Sliding scale available, no one is turned away for lack of funds.*

### Berkeley Rent Board

**ADDRESS:** 2125 Milvia Street Berkeley, CA 94704

**PHONE:** 510-981-7368 (981-RENT)

**HOURS:** Mon/Tues/Thurs/Fri 9:00am – 4:45pm, Wednesday 12:00pm – 6:30pm

**WEBSITE:** <http://www.cityofberkeley.info/rent>

**EMAIL:** [rent@cityofberkeley.info](mailto:rent@cityofberkeley.info)

**INFORMATION:** Housing counseling, petition processes and mediation available to landlords and tenants.

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## Other Services & Information

### Alameda County Bar Association - Lawyer Referral Service (LRS)

**PHONE:** 510-302-2222, Option 4

**WEBSITE:** <https://www.acbanet.org/>

**HOURS:** Monday–Friday, 8:30am–3:00pm (closed for lunch from 12:00pm – 1:00pm)

**INFORMATION:** Contact the Alameda County Bar Association's Lawyer Referral Service (LRS) to request a referral to a pre-screened lawyer with experience in the area(s) of law that you need help with. Submit request online using the secure form at <https://www.acbanet.org/need-a-lawyer/>. At intake, a non-refundable \$35 fee will be collected for a ½ hour consultation with an Alameda County attorney you will be matched with.

### Alameda County Bar Association - Volunteer Legal Services Corporation (VLSC)

**PHONE:** 510-302-2222, Option 4

**WEBSITE:** <https://www.acbanet.org/volunteer-legal-services/>

**HOURS:** Monday–Friday, 8:30am–3:30pm (closed for lunch from 12:00pm – 1:00pm)

**INFORMATION:** Free legal advice to low-income people in Alameda County. Volunteer attorneys run clinics to help you represent yourself in court if you have a case in Alameda County and fall within their income guidelines. Areas of law covered include: bankruptcy, family law, criminal law, eviction mediation, employment, immigration, and much more! *Note: Telephone service only. No walk-ins.*

### **Berkeley Housing Authority**

**ADDRESS:** 1936 University Avenue #150 Berkeley, CA 94704

**PHONE:** 510-981-5470

**FAX:** 510-981-5480

**HOURS:** M/T/W/TH: 8:15 am – 4:30 pm, Closed every Friday

**WEBSITE:** <https://www.cityofberkeley.info/bha/>

**EMAIL:** [bha@cityofberkeley.info](mailto:bha@cityofberkeley.info)

**INFORMATION:** BHA provides rental assistance to tenants in Berkeley through the Section 8 and Moderate Rehabilitation Program. The housing authority provides information to both tenants and landlords.

### **Legal Aid at Work – East Bay**

**ADDRESS:** 2921 Adeline St Berkeley, CA 94703

**PHONE:** 866-864-8208

**PHONE APPT ONLY:** 415-864-8848

**HOURS:** Thursdays 6:30pm - 8:00pm by appointment

**WEBSITE:** <https://legalaidthatwork.org>

**INFORMATION:** Free and confidential information about legal rights related to work for qualifying low-income and unemployed clients. Call first to establish eligibility and make an appointment.

### **Homeless Action Center**

**ADDRESS:** 3126 Shattuck Ave Berkeley, CA 94705

**PHONE:** 510-540-0878

**FAX:** 510-540-0403

**HOURS:** M/W/Th 9:00am – 12:00pm & 1:00pm – 5:00pm, Tuesdays 1:00pm – 5:00pm

**WEBSITE:** <http://homelessactioncenter.org/>

**INFORMATION:** Security Disability Insurance (SSDI), Medi-Cal, CalWorks, Cal- Fresh (food stamps) General Assistance (GA) and Cash Assistance Programs for Immigrants (CAPI). They also provide informal advice and referrals for non-benefits related legal issues.

### **California Department of Fair Employment and Housing**

**ADDRESS:** Bay Area Regional Office 39141 Civic Center Dr., #250 Fremont, CA 94538

**PHONE:** 510-789-1085 or 800-233-3212

**WEBSITE:** <http://www.dfeh.ca.gov/>

**INFORMATION:** Protecting the people of California from unlawful discrimination in employment, housing and public accommodations, and from the perpetration of acts of hate violence.

### **Alameda County Healthy Homes Department**

**ADDRESS:** 2000 Embarcadero, Suite 300 Oakland, CA

**PHONE:** 510-567-8280

**FAX:** 510-567-8272

**WEBSITE:** <http://www.achhd.org>

**INFORMATION:** The Alameda County Healthy Homes Department provides innovative, multi-disciplinary programs that offer consultations, case management, technical assistance, and services to prevent lead poisoning and promote health and safety in the home.