JUSTICE FOR ALL

IN ACTION

In 2017, 5,624 cases were filed in Flathead County District court. Ordinary Montanans often must navigate complex legal situations on their own.

5,624



Fewer than 1 in 10 low or moderate income Montanans who need civil legal help receive it.

This number includes people who are...

Children Seniors Veterans Disabled Victims of Abuse Minimum wage workers

In Flathead County in 2017:

494

Montana Legal Services Association (MLSA) handled 213 cases, helping 494 people and their family members.

98% of **MLSA** clients living in Flathead County increased their knowledge of the legal system, their legal rights, and how to solve their legal problems as a result of receiving civil legal aid.



3,582

3,582 people living in Flathead County accessed **MontanaLawHelp.org** to find free legal information and forms.

The **Aging Services Bureau** served a total of **609** senior Montanans, including **29** people living in Flathead County.





Montana's **Court Self Help Law Centers** provided **16,182** customer services statewide, helping thousands of people access free legal forms and information. The Kalispell Self Help Law Center provided **3,228** customer services in Flathead County.

Montana Legal Services Association in Flathead County



ONLINE CIVIL LEGAL RESOURCES

www.MontanaLawHelp.org provides free civil legal information and legal forms to anyone who needs it. There is no income requirement.

AskKarla.org gives users the opportunity to ask basic legal questions and receive legal advice from volunteer pro bono attorneys. Users must meet income requirements.



PRO BONO SERVICES

The Northwest Montana Bar Association and MLSA partner to provide pro bono legal services to low income clients living in Flathead County.

MLSA's Phone Advice Program connects pro bono attorneys with clients living anywhere in the state, including in Flathead County. To receive pro bono services, clients should apply to MLSA.



FREE LEGAL CLINICS

MLSA supports Legal Clinics that connect clients with pro bono attorneys on a regular basis in many towns and communities.

MLSA supports a quarterly Family Law Clinic with the Northwest Montana Bar Association in Kalispell.

To take part in a clinic, clients should apply to MLSA.



CIRCUIT RIDES

MLSA attorneys conduct regular circuit rides to rural communities in order to provide in-person civil legal services and routinely travel throughout the state to represent clients in court.

These services mean that no client has to go without legal representation because of where in the state they live.



LOCAL OFFICES

MLSA's Helena, Missoula, and Billings Offices provide free legal information, advice, and representation to qualified clients anywhere in the state. To apply, call 1-800-666-6899 or visit www.mtlsa.org.

Flathead County Self-Help Law Center helps users find legal information and forms to address their legal problems on their own. Located at 920 South Main, Kalispell, MT 59901.