JUSTICE FOR ALL

IN ACTION

In 2017, 5,296 cases were filed in Cascade County District court. Ordinary Montanans often must navigate complex legal situations on their own.

5,296



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

This number includes people who are...



In Cascade County in 2017:



Montana Legal Services Association (MLSA) handled 216 cases, helping 462 people and their family members.

96% of **MLSA clients** living in Cascade 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.



2,737

2,737 people living in Cascade County accessed **MontanaLawHelp.org** to find free legal information and forms.

The **Aging Services Bureau** served a total of **609** senior Montanans, including **58** people living in Cascade 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 Great Falls Self Help Law Center provided **2,468** customer services in Cascade County.

Montana Legal Services Association in Cascade 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 Cascade County Bar Association partners with MLSA and the Cascade County Law Clinic to provide pro bono legal services to low income clients living in Cascade County.

MLSA's Phone Advice Program connects pro bono attorneys with clients living anywhere in the state, including in Cascade 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 the Great Falls Family Law Clinic with the Cascade County Bar Association once a month.

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



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.

MLSA and the Cascade Community Health Center partner to provide free legal information, advice, and representation to qualified patients. Interested patients should talk to their healthcare provider.