

Legal Information and Advice BC Toll Free Referral Phone Numbers



Last updated February 2022

Legal Information or Self-Help

Courthouse Libraries BC 1-800-665-2570 Lower Mainland: 604-660-2841 www.courthouselibrary.ca

Dial-A-Law (recorded legal information) 1-800-565-5297 Lower Mainland: 604-687-4680 <u>dialalaw.peopleslawschool.ca</u>

Legal Advice or Representation

Lawyer Referral Service

(Free initial 30 minute consultation) 1-800-663-1919 Lower Mainland: 604-687-3221 http://www.accessprobono.ca/lawyer-referralservice

Legal Aid Call Centre

(interpreters available in over 100 languages) 1-866-577-2525 Lower Mainland: 604-408-2172 https://legalaid.bc.ca/

Access Pro Bono

(free legal advice for low income people) 1-877-762-6664 Lower Mainland: 604-878-7400 www.accessprobono.ca

Provincial Government

General Enquiries to Government of BC 1-800-663-7867 Lower Mainland: 604-660-2421 Victoria: 250-387-6121 TDD: 711 VRS: 1-800-663-7867 https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/home/gethelp-with-government-services

Ombudsperson for BC 1-800-567-3247 Victoria: 250-387-5855 https://bcombudsperson.ca/

Federal Government

Service Canada 1-800-622-6232 TTY: 1-800-926-9105 https://www.canada.ca/en/employment-socialdevelopment/corporate/contact.html

Your Communities

Disabilities

Advocacy Access 1-800-663-1278 Lower Mainland: 604-872-1278 http://disabilityalliancebc.org/directservice/apply-for-disability-benefits/

Seniors

Seniors Abuse and Information Line 1-866-437-1940 Lower Mainland: 604-437-1940 TTY: 604-428-3359 or 1-855-306-1443 http://seniorsfirstbc.ca/programs/sail/

Your Safety

Elizabeth Fry Society of Greater Vancouver 1-888-879-9593 Lower Mainland: 604-520-1166 www.elizabethfry.com

National Parole Board Record Suspension Info 1-800-874-2652 https://www.canada.ca/en/parole-board.html



Legal Information and Advice BC Toll Free Referral Phone Numbers



Last updated February 2022

VictimLINK 1-800-563-0808 TTY: 604-875-0885 (collect accepted)

Text: 604-836-6381 https://www.clicklaw.bc.ca/helpmap/service/1055

Your Family

Justice Access Centres (JACs)

1-800-578-8511 (Nanaimo) 1-800-663-7867 (Enquiry BC – ask for Victoria or Victoria JACs) https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/justice/about -bcs-justice-system/jac

Family Justice Counsellors

1-800-663-7867 (Call Service BC) Lower Mainland: 604-660-2421 Victoria: 250-387-6121 https://www.clicklaw.bc.ca/helpmap/service/1019

Family Maintenance Enforcement Program

Lower Mainland: 604-678-5670 or 1-800-663-9666 Victoria: 250-220-4040 or 1-800-663-3455 North & Interior: 250-434-6020 or 1-800-663-3933 www.fmep.gov.bc.ca

Family LawLine

Greater Vancouver: 604-408-2172 Elsewhere in BC: 1-866-577-2525 https://family.legalaid.bc.ca/call/family-lawline

Grandparents Raising Grandchildren Support Line

1-855-474-9777 Lower Mainland: 604-558-4740 https://www.parentsupportbc.ca

Helpline for Children in BC

310-1234 (no area code needed) https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/safety/public -safety/protecting-children/keeping-kids-safe

Your Daily Life

Housing, Tenancy & Neighbors

Tenant Infoline 1-800-665-1185 Lower Mainland: 604-255-0546 http://tenants.bc.ca

Residential Tenancy Branch

1-800-665-8779 Lower Mainland: 604-660-1020 Victoria: 250-387-1602 <u>https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/housing-tenancy/residential-tenancies</u>

Employment

Employment Standards Branch

1-833-236-3700 https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/employment -business/employment-standardsadvice/employment-standards/contact-us

Workers' Advisers Office

1-800-663-4261 Lower Mainland: 604-335-5931 https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/employment -business/employment-standardsadvice/personal-injury-and-workplace-safety

Rights & Citizenship

BC Civil Liberties Association 1-855-556-3566 Lower Mainland: 604-687-2919 https://bccla.org/

BC Human Rights Clinic Victoria and area: 250-385-1221 Outside of Victoria and area: 1-866-385-1221

https://bchrc.net/

TDD/TTY = Telephone Device for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing VRS = Video Relay Service for the Deaf, Hard of Hearing, or speech-impaired Questions, feedback or corrections? Contact <u>lawmatters@courthouselibrary.ca</u> or call 604-660-9204