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Hurricane Harvey Legal Relief Project

Assistance

If you have been affected by Hurricane Harvey and need legal help, we are here for you.

The types of issues we can help with include, but not limited to:

- Probate
- Clear Home Ownership
- FEMA Appeals
- Family Matters – Custody, Divorce
- Insurance – Flood, Home, Renters
- Landlord / Tenant Issues – Evictions, Repairs
- Contractor Abuse / Fraud – Home Repair Issues
- Mortgages – Foreclosures, Reverse Mortgages, Repairs
- Consumer / Medical Debt
- Tax Issues with the IRS
- Bankruptcy
- Replacing Lost Documents
- Document Preparation Fraud – Notario Fraud, Tax Return Preparer Fraud

Upcoming Clinics

If you cannot attend one of the Harvey-specific clinics, please call our Information Line at (713) 228-0732 or visit our Events page to find out about other free general legal advice clinics. If you let our staff know that you are Harvey-affected, your case will be routed to the Hurricane Harvey Legal Relief Project, regardless of which clinic you attend.

Resources

Here are some helpful online materials about disaster recovery:

- **HURRICANE HARVEY DISASTER RELIEF AND RECOVERY**

Partnering

If you are a non-profit or community organization providing assistance to low-income households affected by Hurricane Harvey and you are interested in partnering with Houston Volunteer Lawyers, please call 713-228-0733 or send an email to Harvey@hvlp.org.

The services we provide include:

- Legal Advice Clinics – clients meet with attorneys one-on-one to discuss their problem and get legal advice and counsel. Can be on an ad hoc (one-time) basis or regularly scheduled.
- Education Workshops – Presentations and workshops to clients or caseworkers about their legal rights on different topics or how to identify problems with legal solutions.
- Resource Fairs – Host a table at a resource fair, providing legal rights flyer and information about upcoming legal advice clinics and education workshops.

Volunteering

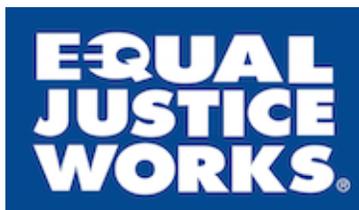
Attorneys interested in volunteering to help victims of the storm with legal needs should register on our Portal or email ProBono@hvlp.org. As volunteer opportunities become available, we will be in contact.

Solicitation

Houston Volunteer Lawyers and the State Bar of Texas reminds the public that solicitation of a potential legal case is a crime unless the lawyer has a family relationship with you or you have been a client of the lawyer in the past or are currently a client. Solicitation of you is also a crime if perpetrated by a non-lawyer employee or representative of the lawyer, unless the previous conditions exist. Please report any prohibited contacts by lawyers or their representatives, whether in person, telephone, or otherwise, to your local law enforcement authority or the State Bar of Texas at **(877) 953-5535**.

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