



# FREE LEGAL HELP FOR VICTIMS OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

Coast to Coast Legal Aid of South Florida provides holistic legal services to victims of intimate partner violence. We will perform a “legal check-up” and may be able to help you with any number of civil legal needs such as an injunction for protection, divorce, paternity, housing, benefits, immigration, or enforcement of your victim’s rights in a criminal proceeding. **If you are eligible, the services are FREE.**

## You may file a Petition for an Injunction for Protection (restraining order) at:

### Central Courthouse Judicial Complex, West Building

201 SE 6th St, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301; 2nd Floor, Room 02-140

Monday through Friday; 8:30 AM to 7:00 PM (Note: all filings stop at 5:00 PM.)

954-831-5570 and 954-831-5579.

### West Regional Courthouse

100 North Pine Island Road, Plantation, FL 33324; Room 180

Monday through Friday; 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM (Note: all filings after 2 PM must be filed at the Broward County Central Courthouse or through the eFiling Portal.)

954-831-5612 and 954-831-3570

## The forms are available online at:

[www.browardclerk.org](http://www.browardclerk.org) > Divisions > Domestic Violence > Forms & Self-Help

[www.flcourts.org](http://www.flcourts.org) > Self-Help > Family Law Forms

## What happens after you file a Petition for Injunction for Protection

- If you are granted a Temporary Injunction for Protection (restraining order) or an Order Setting a Hearing on Petition, a hearing will be set, usually within 15 days, to appear in front of the Judge.
- You should apply for help with Coast to Coast Legal Aid of South Florida as soon as you are granted a Temporary Injunction or an Order Setting Hearing.
- At the hearing, the Judge may grant you a Final Judgment of Injunction and extend the Injunction for a certain amount of time or until further order of court. The Injunction will prevent the Respondent from having contact with you or coming within 500 ft. of where you live, work, or attend school.
- If a Final Judgment of Injunction is granted, you may ask the Court for a timesharing schedule, child support, and possession of your home. You may also ask for the Court to order treatment, classes, and/or counseling.

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Coast to Coast Legal Aid of South Florida may be able to assist you with your family law problem, divorce, paternity case, injunction for protection/restraining order, enforcement of victim rights in criminal cases, or other civil legal matter. **To qualify for assistance you must live in Broward County.** You may also be required to meet certain income guidelines for divorce, injunctions for protection, and other family law problems.

**We assist self-represented litigants with their family law matters.**

### Family Court Self Advocacy Program

Broward County Courthouse  
201 S.E. 6th Street, Room WW04101  
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301

- Dissolution of Marriage (divorce), Paternity
- Time-sharing and child support
- Family court motions

**If you need legal help with non-emergency matters, apply online at:**

[www.coasttocoastlegalaidsouthflorida.org/get-help](http://www.coasttocoastlegalaidsouthflorida.org/get-help)

Scan QR code to go to our LinkTree and click Get Help



**Or call and/or visit our office:**

Coast to Coast Legal Aid of South Florida  
491 N. State Road 7, Plantation, FL 33317  
954.736.2400 | Monday-Friday, 9 AM to 4 PM

Language interpretation and accessible facilities provided. Welcoming and affirming of all sexual orientations and gender identities and expressions. We do not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, sex, disability or age. Coast to Coast Legal Aid of South Florida is an equal opportunity provider and employer.

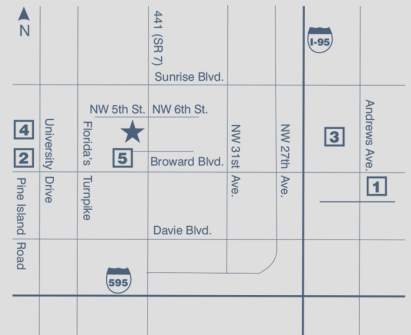
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If you have been served with legal documents or need representation at your injunction hearing, please call our office immediately to apply over the phone or come to our office with your legal documents to complete an application in person.

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## HOW TO FIND US



★ **Legal Aid Center for Law and Social Justice**

- 1 East Courthouse
- 2 West Courthouse
- 3 East Bus Depot (BCT)
- 4 West Bus Depot (BCT)
- 5 Plantation General Hospital

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