



# Advocates for Justice and Education, Inc.

## The Parent Training and Information Center for the District of Columbia

### HOUSING RESOURCES

AJE does not coordinate housing or homeless services, however, we know that this is something that many families need support with. Therefore, we are sharing these resources other families have found helpful. We hope they are helpful to you.

The **Landlord Tenant Legal Assistance Network (LTLAN)** is often the best place to start. Unrepresented tenants and unrepresented small landlords may call LTLAN at **202-780-2575** to connect with an attorney who can provide free legal information, free advice, or free legal representation. LTLAN is jointly staffed by Bread for the City, D.C. Bar Pro Bono Center, Legal Aid Society of the District of Columbia, Legal Counsel for the Elderly, Neighborhood Legal Services Program, and Rising for Justice. LTLAN operates Monday-Thursday 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and Friday 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

The **Landlord Tenant Resource Center (LTRC)** provides free legal information to both unrepresented landlords and tenants who have residential housing disputes in the District of Columbia. The LTRC is **ONLY** open on Tuesdays from 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. The LTRC is located in Room 223 on the second floor of the Landlord and Tenant Courthouse, 510 4th St NW, Washington, DC 20001. The LTRC also refers eligible tenants for legal advice and representation. You may find more information about the LTRC [here](#).

If you believe you may be evicted very soon, you can check whether you're scheduled for an eviction **THAT DAY** by calling the Clerk's Office at 202-879-4879.

Another good resource is the [Washinton Legal Clinic for the Homeless](#). The Clinic supports individuals who are currently unhoused, in temporary housing/shelter or facing an immediate loss of shelter. You can reach them at 202-328-5500.

You can learn a lot about your rights as a renter and a homeowner in DC from Legal Aid DC - <https://www.legalaiddc.org/practice-areas/housing-law> and they also provide legal services around housing issues.

Other resources include -

- ERAP (Emergency Rental Assistance Program)  
<https://erap.dhs.dc.gov/>  
<https://dhs.dc.gov/service/emergency-rental-assistance-program>
- DHS Services for Families Experiencing Homelessness  
<https://dhs.dc.gov/service/services-families-experiencing-homelessness%C2%A0>

- Virginia Williams Center (many homeless programs go through Virginia Williams Center. Many Community-Based Organizations have grants with the Center and central intake goes through the Center)  
<https://dhs.dc.gov/page/how-access-short-term-family-housing>
- DHS Housing Resources for Families  
<https://dhs.dc.gov/page/housing-resources-families>
- DC Tenants Rights Center  
<https://dctenants.com/>
- Office of the Tenant Advocate Resource List  
[https://ota.dc.gov/sites/default/files/dc/sites/ota/publication/attachments/Tenant\\_Resource\\_List\\_3\\_22\\_2012.pdf](https://ota.dc.gov/sites/default/files/dc/sites/ota/publication/attachments/Tenant_Resource_List_3_22_2012.pdf)

Many families have also found it helpful to reach out to their elected officials when there is a unique hardship or crisis.

- Ward and At-Large Councilmembers  
<https://dccouncil.us/councilmembers/>
- Mayor's Office on Community Relations (MOCRS)-Reach out to the specific Ward Community Representative (Each Ward has 2) and the Community Outreach Assistants  
[https://mocrs.dc.gov/sites/default/files/dc/sites/mocrs/publication/attachments/MOCRS\\_Facesheet\\_October\\_20\\_21\\_r2.pdf](https://mocrs.dc.gov/sites/default/files/dc/sites/mocrs/publication/attachments/MOCRS_Facesheet_October_20_21_r2.pdf)

The National Center for Youth Law has created these resources ([NCYL Enrollment Rights for Students Experiencing Homelessness.pdf](#) and [NCYL Derechos de los Estudiantes Sin Hogar.pdf](#)) to help families experiencing homelessness or housing insecurity to make sure that their children can attend school. Every school in DC has a designated liaison for homeless students, you can find your school's liaison here - <https://osse.dc.gov/service/homeless-education-program>, as well as learn more about how DC is supporting students who are experiencing homelessness or housing insecurity. AJE is also able to assist you in accessing your student's educational rights if you are experiencing homelessness or housing insecurity.