







#### **About Christian Legal Aid**

Christian Legal Aid is a critical ministry that works with local communities to increase access to legal aid services for the poor, marginalized, and victims of injustice in America.

Our mission is to help equip local clinics to meet the urgent legal needs of vulnerable members of our society.

Christian Legal Aid's network of clinics provides pro bono legal help and spiritual advice for the poor on issues such as family law conflicts, immigration, wrongful denial of jobs, housing, and government benefits.

Our motivation is simple – we believe the Bible commands us to plead the cause of the poor and needy and provide compassion to those who are hurting.

"Learn to do right, seek justice, defend the oppressed, take up the case of the fatherless, plead the case of the widow." Isaiah 1:17



Christian Legal Aid works in over 120 underserved communities across the nation, providing them with training and resources to serve the needy in their communities.

"For nothing can so make a person an imitator of Christ as caring for his neighbors."

- John Chrysostom



## Christian Legal Aid Makes a Difference

In nearly 70% of the approximately 17 million lawsuits filed each year, defendants are unrepresented by counsel.

This means that each year nearly 12 million defendants face the daunting task of navigating the legal system on their own.



Yet many of these litigants face dire life situations such as evictions, foreclosures, and aggressive debt collections – matters that often lead to homelessness and poverty.

The need for legal aid attorneys across the nation is enormous. Currently, there is only one legal aid attorney for every 10,000 people in poverty in America.

Eighty percent of those with legal needs have no access to legal assistance.

The result is a crisis of justice.

Our national Pledge of Allegiance proclaims our desire to provide "justice for all." The reality is that there is not justice for all, only for those who can afford an attorney.

Each year, millions of Americans facing injustices and other legal problems cannot find affordable help for crucial life issues.

Many of them are left to fight abusive spouses, unscrupulous landlords, and oppressive debt collectors completely on their own.

"There can be no equal justice where the kind of trial a man gets depends on the amount of money he has."

- U.S. Supreme Court,
Griffin v. Illinois (1956)



# Reaching Those in Need through Christian Legal Aid

Christian Legal Aid provides resources to support Christian Legal Aid clinics nationwide.

Those in need of help can search for a Christian Legal Aid clinic near them online at ChristianLegalAid.org.

## Become a Christian Legal Aid Volunteer

There is only one type of person who can provide legal help – lawyers. In the United States, lawyers have a monopoly on providing legal services. If lawyers don't donate their legal skills to the poor, no one else can.

Since 1998, Christian Legal Society volunteers have donated hundreds of thousands of hours helping the disadvantaged untangle debilitating legal issues, seek Christian guidance for personal problems, and understand their rights.

Christian Legal Aid clinics are constantly in need of volunteers, both legal and administrative, to carry out their mission of service.

If you are an attorney, please consider serving with a Christian Legal Aid clinic near you. If you are interested in establishing a Christian Legal Aid clinic, please contact us for help in getting started.

"Speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves, for the rights of all who are destitute. Speak up and judge fairly. Defend the rights of the poor and needy." Proverbs 31:8-9



#### Join Us in Making a Difference

Please consider standing with Christian Legal Aid today. As always, we welcome your prayer and financial support as we help meet the critical legal needs of those in need.

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