

Legal Services – Quick List

ABBOTSFORD COMMUNITY SERVICES

Community Legal Advocacy

604-859-7681 x 207 | ilena.candiani@abbotsfordcommunityservices.com | [website](#)

Family Legal Advocacy

604-859-7681 x 425 | Frances.DeBeir@abbotsfordcommunityservices.com | [website](#)

We provide information, advice, referrals and representation on a variety of issues including:

- Income assistance - disability applications & appeals, information rights & benefits, etc.
- Housing - residential tenancy issues for tenants
- Employment Issues - employment insurance, employment standards
- Canada Pension Plan - disability applications & appeals

Legal Advocacy for Agricultural Workers

604-859-7681 x 307 | legaladvocacy@abbotsfordcommunityservices.com | [website](#)

Surrey: 604-596-7722 | gurpreet.pabla@pics.bc.ca | [website](#)

- The Legal Advocacy Program is a partnership program between Abbotsford Community Services (ACS) and Progressive Intercultural Community Services Society (PICS). We acknowledge the financial support of the Province of British Columbia.
- The Legal Advocacy Program has two Legal Advocacy Workers, one at Abbotsford Community Services and the other at Progressive Inter-cultural Community Services to address the unique needs of the seasonal worker communities in the Lower Mainland and Fraser Valley Regions.
- Providing legal information, education, awareness and access to seasonal farm workers in the Lower Mainland and Fraser Valley area.

Pro Bono Clinic

1-877-762-6664 | [website](#)

- FREE Legal Assistance from a professional lawyer.
- Services Include:
 - Initial half hour appointments with a qualified volunteer lawyer
 - Follow up appointments if necessary
 - Step by step advice to dispute resolution or trial
 - Lawyers who are qualified in most areas of law (civil, family, criminal, etc.)

Specialized Victim Assistance

604-859-7681 x 275 | lukhvinder.aujla@abbotsfordcommunityservices.com | [website](#)

- Specialized Victim Assistance provides emotional support, justice related information referrals and practical assistance to victims and their families, of crime and trauma.

DIAL-A-LAW

604-687-4680 | Outside Greater Vancouver: 1-800-565-5297 | [website](#)

- Dial-A-Law is a library of free legal information in BC, prepared by lawyers. It has practical information on over 130 legal topics in BC. You can learn about legal rights and responsibilities, and the legal system. Dial-A-Law transcripts are offered in English, Chinese and Punjabi. Scripts are also available online in digital audio format.

FAMILY ADVICE LAWYERS

Call Service BC and ask to be connected to the appropriate office.

604-660-2421 in Greater Vancouver | 1-800-663-7867 (elsewhere in BC)

If you're a parent with a low income experiencing separation or divorce, you may be eligible for up to three hours of free legal advice from a family advice lawyer (a lawyer who provides advice).

Family advice lawyers can provide advice about:

- parenting,
- child support,
- property (limited),
- tentative settlement agreements, and
- court procedures

FAMILY JUSTICE

604-851-7055 | 301-32555 Simon Ave, Abbotsford

Family justice counsellors are specially trained to help families resolve their issues about guardianship, parenting arrangements, contact and support. There is no charge for their services.

LAWYER REFERRAL SERVICE

604-687-3221 | Toll-Free: 1-800-663-1919 | [website](#)

- This service is designed to assist the general public in finding the appropriate lawyer. The lawyer will provide up to a half hour consultation for \$25 (plus tax). This interview is to find out whether or not the caller has a legal problem. If both parties agree to proceed with services, then they may do so at the lawyer's regular fee.

LEGAL AID BC

604-408-2172 | Outside Greater Vancouver: 1-866-577-2525 | [website](#)

- A range of free services to people with low incomes. Services include legal information, legal advice and legal representation (a lawyer to take your case).



