

Can I get an interpreter?

Yes. Ask us for an interpreter in your language.

You can also ring the Translating and Interpreting Service on 131 450 and ask to be put through to Victoria Legal Aid.

Where can I get more legal information?

More information is on our website at www.legalaid.vic.gov.au

We also have a range of free booklets in English and other languages. You can get the booklets on our website or at any Victoria Legal Aid office.

About our services

We can help you with criminal matters, family breakdown, family violence, child support, immigration, social security, mental health, discrimination, guardianship and administration, tenancy, debt and traffic offences.

Our free legal services include:

- information over the phone
- seminars and workshops
- legal advice across Victoria, including most courts and tribunals.

If you want ongoing help from a lawyer, you can apply for a grant of legal assistance. Getting a grant will depend on your financial situation and your legal problem. You can use a grant to:

- pay a lawyer to help reach agreement or speak for you in court
- go to our family dispute resolution service.

Call us to find out how we can help you.

Our Legal Information Service

Open Monday to Friday, 8.45 am to 5.15 pm

Telephone 9269 0120 or country callers 1800 677 402



Contact us for free information about the law and how we can help you.

You can speak to someone in English or other languages.

Our offices

Open Monday to Friday, 8.45 am to 5.15 pm

Bairnsdale	5153 1975
Ballarat	5329 6222
Bendigo	5448 2333
	Toll free 1800 254 500
Broadmeadows	9302 8777
Dandenong	9767 7111
Frankston	9784 5222
Geelong	5226 5666
	Toll free 1800 196 200
Horsham	5381 6000
	Toll free 1800 177 638
Melbourne	9269 0120
Morwell	5134 8055
Preston	9416 6444
Ringwood	9259 5444
Shepparton	5823 6200
Sunshine	9300 5333
Warrnambool	5559 7222

All offices are accessible to people with a disability.

Our public law library

Open Monday to Friday, 9 am to 5 pm

350 Queen Street, Melbourne

Our website

www.legalaid.vic.gov.au

Public law library

Victoria Legal Aid

What is the public law library?

Our library is the only law library in Victoria open to the public. We have a wide range of resources in print and electronic forms. They cover a variety of legal topics.

What resources do we have?

Our resources include:

- a comprehensive collection of Victorian and Commonwealth legislation
- Australian and English law reports
- government gazettes
- general texts, legal commentaries and reference materials
- journals.

Some of the subject areas include:

- consumer credit and debt law
- criminal law
- family law
- human rights law
- immigration
- industrial law
- social security law
- Wills and probates.

How can I access the library resources?

We are not a lending library, but you are welcome to use the resources within the library.

You can only borrow library resources using the inter-library loan system. You can arrange this through your local public library. If you are a student, you can also arrange this through the academic library system.

What other services do we provide?

We have areas for private study and reading. We also have computers available so you can view electronic resources and online legal websites.

You can photocopy or print information for 20c per A4 page. Your copying, printing and downloading must comply with general copyright and licence restrictions. Library staff can give you further information about this.

Where is the library?

The library is on the ground floor at 350 Queen Street, Melbourne.

You can also access the library catalogue and other information, including our guide for VCE legal studies students, on our website at www.legalaid.vic.gov.au

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When is the library open?

The library is open Monday to Friday 9 am to 5 pm. You can visit the library any time during opening hours without an appointment.

How can you contact us?

You can contact us by:

- **Telephone:** 03 9269 0232
- **Fax:** 03 9269 0324
- **Email:** library@vla.vic.gov.au

You can also visit the library at 350 Queen Street, Melbourne.

Our librarians do not give legal advice or interpret the law for you.

If you want help with your legal problem you can call the VLA Legal Information Service on 9269 0120 or 1800 677 402 (country callers).