Fact sheet

Legal aid services for members of the Black community

Get legal aid help

For more information about legal aid services, please visit www.legalaid.on.ca

Following a decision to withdraw funding from the African Canadian Legal Clinic, Legal Aid Ontario (LAO) is working with members of the Black community to hear their views on how it can develop new ways to deliver legal services to Black Ontarians who experience anti-Black racism. In the meantime, in addition to the legal services that it already offers, Legal Aid Ontario is providing legal services through the Human Rights Legal Support Centre, members of the private bar, and Legal Aid Ontario's test case program.

- If you need legal help with a criminal, family or refugee matter, call Legal Aid Ontario at **1-800-668-8258** from Monday to Friday between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m.
- If you identify as Black or African Canadian and have a legal issue that has to do with anti-Black racism, call 1-833-374-8904 or 416-649-2540, Monday to Friday between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m.
- For help with Human Rights Tribunal of Ontario applications, or legal advice if you have experienced discrimination, contact the Human Rights Legal Support Centre at 416-597-4900 or 1-866-625-5179 toll-free.
- If you believe you have a case that advances important public interests, you can apply for funding for a lawyer and the cost of legal action through LAO's Test Case program. To find out more, visit https://www.legalaid.on.ca/en/info/test_cases.asp



LAO is committed to ensuring Ontario's Black communities have access to justice. If you have any questions, contact us.