# PASO (Proyecto de Accion de los Suburbios del Oeste - West Suburban Action Project)

3415 W North Ave Suite D, Melrose Park, IL 60160. 708-410-2000 <a href="https://www.pasoaction.org/">http://www.pasoaction.org/</a> PASO is a community-based social justice organization that works to engage community members to act through their faith and values to address issues that affect them, their families, and neighbors with the mission to build stronger communities where all residents can live dignified lives regardless of their race, socioeconomic or immigration status. Provides workshops and legal consultations and organizing opportunities. Mony Ruiz Velasco Executive Director and Immigration attorney.

## CALA (Community Activism Law Alliance)

Helpline for Immigration Assistance (FREE): 872-267-CALA (2252) for those who cannot afford a lawyer#Immigrants You can call this number for a free immigration screening to see what kind(s) of immigration relief you might be eligible for and to get referrals to lawyers or paralegals. http://www.calachicago.org/updates/

### NATIONAL IMMIGRANT JUSTICE CENTER

Comprehensive legal services to low-income immigrants, refugees, and asylum seekers. 208 S. LaSalle St., Suite 1300, Chicago, IL 60604. Make an appointment: Call 312-660-1370 or email <a href="mailto:immigrantlegaldefense@heartlandalliance.org">immigrantlegaldefense@heartlandalliance.org</a>. NIJC will only respond to emails requesting an appointment for a legal consultation. http://www.immigrantjustice.org/

### **ENLACE**

The Enlace Community Activism Law Clinic serves the Little Village community. The weekly clinic provides a valuable, free legal resource for residents of Little Village. The clinic operates every Tuesday evening from 5:00pm-8:00pm. Individuals and families who need legal assistance are seen on a walk in basis. The clinic also holds monthly workshops to help with DACA renewals and initial applications. Enlace Immigration & Legal Services Coordinator (773) 357-7542. Tuesday clinics: 2756 South Harding Ave. Chicago, IL 60623.

#### **ARISE WORKERS CENTER**

Arise Chicago partners with immigrants and leaders from the religious, government, legal, labor, and academic communities to end workplace abuse. 773-769-6000. 1436 W. Randolph, Suite 202. Chicago, IL 60607. info@arisechicago.org. http://arisechicago.org/worker-center/

## **CENTRO DE TRABAJADORES UNIDOS**

An immigrant run organization in southeast Chicago that educates immigrant workers on their employment and citizenship rights, combats wage theft, forges employer partnerships that promote improved working conditions and fair wages, advocate policy changes that benefit immigrant workers and their families, and develops leadership opportunities for members of the community. (773) 349-2806. info@ctu-iwp.org

#### MANO A MANO FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER

Educates community members on their legal rights, how to advocate for themselves, and provide legal services when a lawyer is necessary. Provides workshops and more.

Jael M. Mejia: Engaged Citizens Coordinator/Immigration Legal Advocate Mano a Mano Family Resource Center

6 E. Main Street, Round Lake Park, IL 60073

**Phone:** (847) 201-1521 **Fax:** (847) 270-3209 **Email:** jmejia@mamfrc.org

## **OCAD (Organized Communities Against Deportation)**

https://www.beyondlegalaid.org/ Organized Communities Against Deportations (OCAD) is a community based organization in Illinois that organizes against unfair and inhumane immigration enforcement practices that impact immigrant communities. We fight case by case, person by person, at the same time that we work to change the implementation and enforcement practices that criminalize our community. We are an organization that is based in Chicago, and an integral part of the Not One More deportation campaign. Xanat Sobrevilla. xanat@iyjl.org. Phone: (773) 707-4804

Issues related to criminal law and even tax law can strongly affect immigration issues. The following may be able to advise or help:

The Chicago Bar Foundation offers a comprehensive guide for finding legal assistance in the Chicago area. You can access the guide online: <a href="http://chicagobarfoundation.org/PDF/probono/find-legal-help/legal-aid-guide.pdf">http://chicagobarfoundation.org/PDF/probono/find-legal-help/legal-aid-guide.pdf</a>

**ILLINOIS LEGAL AID ONLINE** offers free information on hundreds of legal topics, guided self-help forms, and referrals to other sources of legal assistance. Visit them at IllinoisLegalAid.org and <u>AyudaLegalIL.org.</u>

**CARPLS** (Coordinated Advice and Referral Program for Legal Services) offers free/low cost telephone advice, referrals, and court-based help-desk services for Cook County residents. You can reach CARPLS by calling its hotline number, 312.738.9200 or visiting carpls.org

## Those who live in Illinois but outside of Cook County can contact the following organizations:

Prairie State Legal Services Land of Lincoln Legal Assistance Foundation DuPage Legal Aid Service Immigration Project

**For those who live outside of Illinois, The American Bar Association** offers a Consumers' Guide to Legal Help for information about every state.

**For private attorneys,** contact **The Chicago Bar Association's** Lawyer Referral Service or **The Illinois State Bar's** Lawyer Finder