LSNJ PROTECT

Legal Services of New Jersey



To request help from LSNJ PROTECT, call

1-844-LSNJ-PROTECT (1-844-576-5776)

TYPICAL ISSUES

- Immigration, particularly T-visas and SIJS cases
- Victim-witness advocacy
- Victims of Crime Compensation funds
- Eviction and housing
- Wage theft
- Public benefits
- Restitution
- Expungement or vacatur of a criminal or juvenile record
- Consumer matters
- Filing for a restraining or protective order

If you cannot speak English, we will provide an interpreter.

ABOUT LSNJ

Legal Services of New Jersey (LSNJ) coordinates New Jersey's statewide Legal Services system, providing free legal assistance in civil matters to people with limited income. If you have a legal problem and think that your income may qualify you to become a Legal Services client, call the LSNJLAWSM Hotline at 1-888-576-5529.

The LSNJLAW $^{\rm SM}$ Hotline is open from 8:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday and accepts online applications 24/7.



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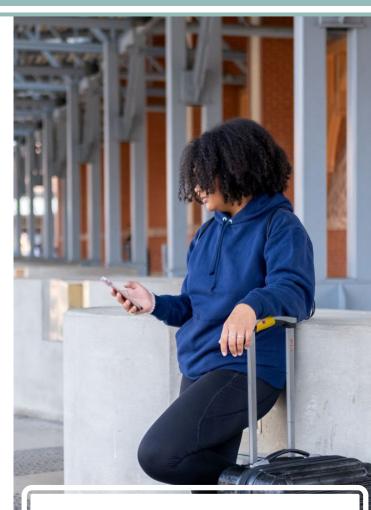
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Providing legal assistance in civil matters to victims of human trafficking



WHAT IS HUMAN TRAFFICKING?

Human trafficking affects individuals from diverse backgrounds, but nearly always stems from some sort of vulnerability. It encompasses both sex and labor trafficking. Sex trafficking occurs when someone uses force, fraud, or coercion to make an adult perform a sex act in exchange for something of value, like money, housing, food, drugs, gifts, or safety; or when a person causes a child to engage in a sex act for something of value. Labor trafficking occurs when a person uses force, fraud, or coercion to compel another person to perform work. You may be a victim of human trafficking if you:

- Cannot come and go as you wish.
- Are under 18 and providing sex for money or anything else of value.
- Are paid little or nothing for your work.
- Were offered a job through false promises.
- Do not have your ID or passport and cannot get it back.
- Owe money to someone you work for.
- Are being threatened with deportation or arrest.
- Want to quit but feel scared or unable to leave.
- Were hurt while working but were not allowed to seek medical care.
- Receive threats to you or your family.

WHAT IS LSNJ'S ANTI-HUMAN TRAFFICKING PROGRAM?

PROTECT was established to provide civil legal assistance and representation to indigent victims and survivors of human trafficking regardless of when or where the trafficking occurred. PROTECT works in partnership with state and federal antitrafficking initiatives to serve this hard to reach and diverse population throughout the state of New Jersey.

OTHER HELPFUL RESOURCES

LSNJ's legal information website, www.LSNJLAW.org, includes articles, videos, publications, court forms, podcasts, and a range of community resources for low-income New Jerseyans.











