

# HOUSTON IMMIGRATION LEGAL SERVICES COLLABORATIVE

## LEGAL CONSULTATIONS AVAILABLE AT THESE PARTNERS

### **Catholic Charities Cabrini Center for Immigrant Legal Assistance**

(713) 874-6570 | [www.CatholicCharities.org](http://www.CatholicCharities.org)



#### **Immigration "Charlas"**

- Spanish language: Every 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the month at 8:00AM at 2900 Louisiana St., 77006
- English language: Every 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month at 8:00AM at 2900 Louisiana St., 77006
- *Charlas are FREE information session explaining immigration laws with an opportunity to speak with an attorney. You MUST pre-register by calling 713-874-6570. Please do not bring children.*

### **BakerRipley (formerly Neighborhood Centers, Inc.)**

(713)273-3707 | <http://www.immigrationforgood.org>



#### **Walk-in Immigration Legal Consultations**

- Tuesdays at 9:00AM at Ripley House Neighborhood Center (4410 Navigation Blvd., 77011)
- Fridays at 8:00AM at Baker Ripley Campus (6500 Rookin St., 77074)
- *Note: There is a small fee of \$30 per family for consultation. Space is limited so arrive early.*

### **YMCA International Services**

713-758-9280 | [www.ymcahouston.org/ymca-international](http://www.ymcahouston.org/ymca-international)



- Wednesdays from 9:00AM – 3:00PM at 6671 Southwest Freeway, Suite 250, Houston, TX 77074.
- *Call 713-758-9280 to be referred to an upcoming clinic appropriate to your case.*

### **Memorial Assistance Ministries**

(713) 468-4516 ext. 187 | [www.helpherehelpnow.org](http://www.helpherehelpnow.org)



#### **Immigration Consultations**

- Fridays at 8:30 AM at 1625 Blalock Road, Houston, TX 77080
- *Note: First come, first serve (max of 8 people). There is a \$30 consultation fee.*

### **Human Rights First**

(713) 955-1360 | [www.humanrightsfirst.org](http://www.humanrightsfirst.org)



### **Tahirih Justice Center**

(713) 496-0100 | [www.tahirih.org](http://www.tahirih.org)



#### **Free consultations for families in removal proceedings who are seeking asylum**

- Fridays from 8:30AM – 11:30AM at Immigration Court, 1801 Smith St., 9th Floor, Courtroom #2 or #8

For more details about these events and organizations visit: [www.houstonimmigration.org/events](http://www.houstonimmigration.org/events)

**For Know Your Rights information, referrals, and to report ICE enforcement activity, call the Immigrant Rights Hotline at 1-833-HOU-IMMI (468-4664).**

## LEGAL CONSULTATIONS BY APPOINTMENT (located in Houston unless noted)

### General Immigration Law, including citizenship

<b><u>Justice For Our Neighbors Houston</u></b> (713) 454-6470   <a href="http://www.jfonhouston-etx.org">www.jfonhouston-etx.org</a>	<b><u>Boat People SOS</u></b> (281) 530-6888   <a href="http://www.bpsoshou.org">www.bpsoshou.org</a>
<b><u>African Law Center</u></b> (281) 624-6421   <a href="http://www.africanlawcenter.org">www.africanlawcenter.org</a>	<b><u>University of Houston Law Center Immigration Clinic</u></b> (713) 743-2094   <a href="http://www.law.uh.edu/clinic/immi">www.law.uh.edu/clinic/immi</a>
<b><u>Immigration Clinics at South Texas College of Law Houston</u></b> (713) 646 2990   <a href="http://www.stcl.edu/academics/legal-clinics">www.stcl.edu/academics/legal-clinics</a>	

### Citizenship only

<b><u>Bonding Against Adversity</u></b> (713) 471-5832   <a href="http://www.bondingagainstadversity.org">www.bondingagainstadversity.org</a>	<b><u>OCA – Greater Houston</u></b> (713) 446-8430   <a href="http://www.ocahouston.org">www.ocahouston.org</a>
<b><u>Chinese Community Center</u></b> (713) 271-6100 (ask for “immigration program”) <a href="http://www.ccchouston.org">www.ccchouston.org</a>	<b><u>Ser y Hacer @ The Children’s Center</u></b> (409) 765-5212   Galveston, TX <a href="http://www.thechildrenscenterinc.org">www.thechildrenscenterinc.org</a>
<b><u>Texas Center for Community Services</u></b> (281) 288-9592   Spring, TX	

### Asylum, Unaccompanied Children, and Other Areas of Immigration Law

<b><u>Tahirih Justice Center</u></b> (women, girls, transgender women) (713) 496-0100   <a href="http://www.tahirih.org">www.tahirih.org</a>	<b><u>Human Rights First</u></b> (asylum) (713) 955-1360   <a href="http://www.humanrightsfirst.org">www.humanrightsfirst.org</a>
<b><u>Kids In Need of Defense (KIND)</u></b> (unaccompanied minors) (832) 412-4937   <a href="http://www.supportkind.org">www.supportkind.org</a>	

**Private Attorneys:** If you can afford an attorney, there are many immigration attorneys in the Houston region who are members of the American Immigration Lawyers Association (AILA): [www.ailalawyer.org](http://www.ailalawyer.org).

<p><b>When you hire an Attorney</b>, ask them questions like:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• In what state are you licensed?</li> <li>• Have you ever been disciplined by a State Bar?</li> <li>• How long have you practiced immigration law?</li> <li>• What type of immigration law do you specialize in?</li> </ul> <p>✓ If the individual offering representation avoids your questions, consider finding a different lawyer.</p> <p>✓ Call multiple attorneys before you hire one.</p> <p>✓ YOU are the client and you get to decide who will represent your best interests.</p>	<p><b>Avoid Notario Fraud</b></p> <p>✓ A “notario” does not have specialized immigration knowledge or license to practice immigration law. Notarios may cheat you or harm your case.</p> <p>✓ Be WARY if a provider does any of these:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Asks you to sign blank documents</li> <li>• Refuses to give you a contract for their services</li> <li>• Refuse to show you their license or accreditation</li> <li>• Guarantees positive results</li> <li>• Claims a special relationship to an immigration officer or judge that will benefit your case</li> </ul>
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**To advocate for immigrant rights, get involved with organizations like United We Dream Houston (713-863-1422) or Texas Organizing Project (832-582-0061).**