



## We Can Help

Disasters of all kinds can lead to many issues. Some of those issues will need legal help. The COVID-19 pandemic is no different. The Legal Aid Society of Middle Tennessee and the Cumberland can help. We have a Disaster Response Program. This program can give advice and legal help for people affected by COVID-19.

LAS can provide representation for other civil legal issues. For example, immigration, consumer, housing, and reentry, are all areas where we can provide help.



Legal Aid Society  
of Middle Tennessee & the Cumberland

## Who We Are

Legal Aid Society is Tennessee's largest non-profit law firm. Our mission is to enforce, advance, and defend the legal rights of low income and vulnerable people to obtain the basic necessities of life.

## Contact Us

We have eight offices based in: Clarksville, Columbia, Cookeville, Gallatin, Murfreesboro, Nashville, Oak Ridge and Tullahoma.

The disaster response program is based in the Nashville office, but provides services in all forty-eight counties in the LAS service area.

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## COVID-19 RESOURCES



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## Public Benefits

Aiding people that qualify keep their benefits under state and federal law. Some programs we help with are:

- SNAP (food stamps)
- SSI/SSDI
- Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)

## Tax Issues

Helping those who qualify in disputes with the Internal Revenue Service (IRS). This can include notices, correcting account problems, and problems with the Economic Impact Payment (aka “stimulus payment”).

## Domestic Violence

We can help eligible clients in divorce, custody, and protective order cases.

## Unemployment Issues

There is a federal program that helps people unemployed because of COVID-19. We can help with reviewing the requirements and applying or appealing, if needed.

## Unfair Pricing and Scams

Unfair pricing happens when businesses take advantage of a disaster and charge very high prices for everyday needs. An example would be water. This is price gouging. It is illegal. We can help eligible people with deciding the next steps.

## Foreclosures

Helping eligible people protect their home from foreclosure by looking at how they fell behind in their payments and figuring out the best options available to them.

## Collection Defense

A creditor or debt collector may take you to court to try to get money from you for an unpaid debt. This can be stressful when your paycheck has been cut or you only receive federal benefits. We can help with reviewing options and legal rights for those who qualify.

## Evictions

A new federal law provides protection from evictions for tenants in any housing with federal ties. This includes section 8 and public housing. We can help eligible clients if they believe their landlord has violated this law. We also partner with some local agencies that provide help with rent for those who qualify