LEGAL ASSISTANCE FOR ADULTS AGED 60 AND OLDER

HOW CAN PSLS HELP?

PSLS helps older adults with civil legal matters such as:

- Denials or reductions in needed health care, including Medicare, Medicaid and home care services
- Public benefits such as TANF, food stamps (SNAP) and social security/SSI
- Domestic violence and elder abuse
- Nursing home or supported living facility involuntary discharges
- Debt problems and utility shutoffs
- Evictions, denials of housing and mortgage foreclosures
- Consumer and tax problems
- Powers of attorney
- Guardianships

People aged 55 and older who are raising children due to the inability or unwillingness of the parents to care for their children may be eligible for legal services.

PSLS cannot assist with criminal cases, traffic cases, personal injury cases, complex estate planning or probate cases.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

Special funding from the Older Americans Act enables PSLS to expand the services available to people aged 60 and older without regard to income or assets. PSLS cannot help everyone, so legal services are focused on helping older adults resolve legal problems affecting access to basic health care, income, housing and safety.

HOW CAN I APPLY FOR HELP?

Call PSLS' Legal Assistance for Older Adults toll free number 888-965-7757 (PSLS), or call the office serving your county of residence.

Your applications will be taken by telephone, including information such as your address, telephone number, date of birth, income and assets, and information about your legal problem.

PRAIRIE STATE LEGAL SERVICES

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