

About Community Legal Services of Mid-Florida, Inc. (CLSMF)

The mission of CLSMF is to provide access to justice through high quality legal assistance to low-income persons.

Community Legal Services of Mid-Florida, Inc. provides free legal assistance to eligible low-income persons in civil matters (we do not provide legal assistance in criminal or traffic matters).

CLSMF provides community education seminars and detailed informational brochures on the major areas of law we practice. Please see the back of this brochure for a complete listing of offices.



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***Offices currently not offering
Family Law services**



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ARE NON-CITIZENS ELIGIBLE FOR SSI & FOOD STAMPS?



CAN I GET SSI OR FOOD STAMPS?

To receive SSI (Supplemental Security Income for those with a disability) or food stamps, one of the following must apply to you:

- You are a United States citizen; or
- You are a refugee who has been living in the United States for less than five years; or
- You are a person who was granted asylum less than five years ago; or
- You are a non-citizen whose deportation was withheld by INS [Section 248(h)] less than five years ago; or



- You are the spouse or an unmarried dependent child of a non-citizen member of the United States armed forces on active duty; or



- You are the spouse or dependent child of a non-citizen veteran of the United States armed forces who was granted an honorable discharge; or
- You are a lawful permanent resident (LPR) who has worked in the United States for approximately 10 years (This is called the 40 covered quarters requirement).



- You are under 18 and credited with the work time earned under your parents.
- You are married and credited with the work time earned by your spouse during your marriage, even if your spouse has died.



If you are not a U.S. citizen, your work time quarters earned after December 31, 1996 do not count if, during the period of work, you received federally funded public assistance.

- If you do not fit into any of the categories listed in this brochure, you cannot receive SSI or food stamps.



- Still, you may be able to get Medicaid or TANF (Temporary Assistance for Needy Families).



- If you think you may be eligible for Medicaid or TANF, apply at your local DCAF (Department of Children and Families) office.



- If you need assistance and you are turned down for benefits of any kind, or if you have questions, contact Community Legal Services of Mid-Florida. We may be able to help.