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Anoka County Attorney's Office (763) 324-5550

Anoka County Attorney's Office, Victim / Witness Services (763) 324-5540
www.anokacountymn.gov/victimwitness Help with referrals, resources, victim advocacy, and support services. Office open M-F 8:00 am – 4:30 pm.

Anoka County Children & Family Services (763) 324-1440
www.anokacountymn.gov/childprotection Report child abuse & neglect. 24 hours/day, 7 days/week.

Anoka County Child Support (763) 324-2420
www.anokacountymn.gov Services include: locating non-custodial parents, establishing parentage, establishing & enforcing support order (child support, medical support, childcare contributions) and collections. M-F 8:00 am - 4:30 pm.

Anoka County Public Defender (763) 422-3350
www.pubdef.state.mn.us Court appointed criminal defense. Deals only with criminal defense cases.

Attorney General's Office, Minnesota Office of Consumer Services (651) 296-3353 or 1-800-657-3787
TTY (Hearing Impaired) (651) 297-7206 or 1-800-366-4812
www.ag.state.mn.us Distributes consumer information and enforces fraud statutes. Mediation services to consumers having problems with businesses.

Better Business Bureau of Minnesota (651) 699-1111
www.thefirstbbb.org If you have difficulty regarding any consumer problem, you may want to file a complaint with the Better Business Bureau. Provides reliability reports. Call before you do business with any company. Monday-Friday 8:00 am – 5:00 pm.

Central Minnesota Legal Services (612) 332-8151
www.lawhelpmn.org / www.centralmnlegal.org Offers free legal representation to low-income residents of Anoka County in civil (non-criminal) cases. Includes family law, consumer law, unemployment compensation appeals, public assistance (welfare, emergency & daycare assistance, SNAP), tenant/landlord, other non-criminal matters.

Crime Watch, Operation I.D. (763) 324-5179
These programs operate in conjunction with the Anoka County Sheriff's office & your local police department to protect your property & your neighborhood. See CIVIC INFORMATION section.

Estate & Elder Law Services at Volunteers of America MN (612) 676-6300
www.voamnwi.org/estate-elder-law-services Email: estateandelderlaw@voamn.org Elder law includes wills, trust, estate planning, probate, conservatorships/guardianships, healthcare directives, power of attorney, Medical Assistance, special needs trust, and real estate services. Please visit the website.

HOME Line (866) 866-3546 or (612) 728-5767
www.homelinemn.org Provides free and low-cost legal, organizing, education & advocacy services so that tenants throughout Minnesota can solve their own rental housing problems. For renters only. Free and confidential legal hotline for legal advice.

- Law Help MN** www.LawHelpMN.org
 Helping low-income Minnesotans solve civil legal problems.
- Legal Aid Society of Minneapolis** (612) 334-5970
Disability Line 1-800-292-4150
www.mylegalaid.org
- Mediation Services for Anoka County** (763) 422-8878
www.mediationservice.org Since 1987, Mediation services for Anoka County (MSAC), a 501(c)(3) agency, has been helping families, neighbors, schools, landlords, tenants, and consumers to resolve conflict through education, mediation, and restoration services. Professionally trained volunteer mediators assist individuals and communities to successfully resolve problems and create their own solutions using alternative dispute resolution methods including mediation, conflict coaching and restorative practices.
- Minnesota Department of Human Rights** (651) 539-1100
TTY (Hearing Impaired) 711 or 1-800-627-3529
www.MN.gov/mdhr Enforces MN Human Rights Act. Investigates charges of discrimination in employment, housing, public accommodation, education, and public services.
- Minnesota State Bar Association** www.mnfindalawyer.com
 Attorney referral service
- MN Lawyer Referral & Information Service** (612) 752-6699
www.mnlawyerreferral.org Callers are provided legal information & may be able to schedule an appointment with an experienced attorney for a \$30 administrative fee. \$30 administrative fee may be waived for injury cases & SSI appeals. A reduced Fee Program might be available for working clients. \$90/hr with a \$750 retainer. Must meet eligibility guidelines.
- Prepare & Prosper** (651) 287-0187
www.prepareandprosper.org 2610 University Ave W., St. Paul, MN 55114. Providing free tax assistance for low-income working taxpayers.
- Social Security Administration** **Apply 1-800-772-1213**
Forms Assistance & Questions..... (763) 324-2424
- Southern Minnesota Regional Legal Services, Central Office**..... (651) 222-4731
TollFree.....1-888-575-2954
www.smrls.org Advice and representation in non-criminal civil legal matters that are critical to the clients' basic needs.
- Tax Assistance** (763) 324-1480
 Service provided by the American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) and Anoka County Retired & Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP). Trained and certified volunteers assist senior citizens, low-income families, and disabled persons with filing forms (income taxes February through April, and property/rent rebates). Volunteers are scheduled at various sites. No charge.
- Taxpayer Advocate Service of IRS** (651) 312-7999
www.IRS.gov/taxpayer-advocate Free assistance for unresolved IRS problems.

- Trellis Pension & Retirement Rights**..... (651) 251-5765
www.midwestpensions.org Email: pensions@trellisconnects.org A free, nonprofit legal advocacy agency that assists individuals, of all ages, with pension related issues no matter your income or value of claim. Serves residents in Minnesota, Wisconsin, Iowa, North Dakota, and South Dakota.
- Tubman, Chrysalis Center** (612) 871-0118
www.tubman.org 4432 Chicago Ave S, Minneapolis. Provides legal assistance in family law cases. Also offers an outpatient center for referral, support groups, and mental health services.
- Workers Compensation** (651) 284-5032
www.dli.mn.gov Information line.