

DEDHAM HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION -- RESOURCE GUIDE

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Addiction & Recovery	Advocacy/ Support	Alcoholics Anonymous	617-426-9444	www.aaboston.org	Serves as a source of personal experience and provides ongoing support system for persons in recovery. Meeting locations and times listed by city/town on website.
		Learn To Cope	508-801-3247	www.learn2cope.org	Serves predominantly parents of children with addiction, with kindness, care, compassion and empathy. Treatment resources, meeting chapters, locations, times on website.
		MA Organization for Addiction Recovery (MOAR)	877-423-6627	www.moar-recovery.org	Organize recovering individuals, families and friends into a collective voice to educate the public about the value of recovery from alcohol and other addictions.
		McLean Hospital	800-333-0338	www.mcleanhospital.org	Provides inpatient, outpatient, acute and long-term care for drug/alcohol abuse and mental illness. Operates 3 specialized therapeutic schools.
	Crisis	Nar-Anon	800-477-6291	www.nar-anon.org	Provides a 12-step program for family members struggling to understand and cope with the addiction of someone near and dear.
		Mass Substance Abuse Helpline	800-327-5050	www.helpline-online.com	Provides free, confidential info and referrals for alcohol and drug problems. Available M-F 8 AM to 11 PM, Sat/Sun 9AM to 5 PM.
	Youth Services	Adolescent Substance Abuse Program (ASAP) Children's Hospital Boston	617-355-2727	www.childrenshospital.org	Provides national leadership in the identification, diagnosis and treatment of substance use and disorders in children and adolescents.
		Alcoholics Anonymous - Alateen	617-426-9444	www.aaboston.org	Serves as a source of personal experience and provides ongoing support system for persons in recovery. Meeting locations and times listed by city/town on website.
	MA General Addiction Recovery Management Service (ARMS)	617-643-4699	www.addictionanswers.com	Provides rapid access to info and support, outreach and care management for youth ages 15-25 and their families. Supplements traditional inpatient and outpatient continuum and bridges gaps in disjointed systems of treatment.	

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Career Services		MA Professional Training & Career Development	N/A	https://www.mass.gov/topics/professional-training-career-development	Provides training opportunities that can help further a career
Children/Youth Services		Children's Law Center of MA	781-581-1977	www.clcm.org	Provide legal services to low-income children
		Dedham Youth Commission	781-751-9190	http://www.dedham-ma.gov/departments/youth-commission	Provides economic, socioemotional, recreational, and health programs and services to youth of Dedham
		Learn To Cope	508-801-3247	www.learn2cope.org	Serves predominantly parents of children with addiction, with kindness, care, compassion and empathy. Treatment resources, meeting chapters, locations, times on website.
		MA DESE--Safe Schools Program for LGBTQ youth	617-624-5495	https://www.mass.gov/info-details/safe-schools-program-for-lgbtq-students	Addresses concerns of bullying and suicide risk of LGBTQ youth
Disabilities Services		Center for Public Representation	617-965-0776	www.centerforpublicrep.org	Engages in systemic advocacy, litigation and administrative advocacy for people with disabilities
		Disability Law Center	617-723-8455	https://www.masslegalservices.org/content/disability-law-center-boston	Provide representation to persons with disabilities related to discrimination, abuse, special education, benefits and access to private/public services
Domestic Violence		Domestic Violence Ended (DOVE)	617-471-1234 or 1-888-314-3683	www.dovema.org	Provide help, support, recovery for victims and survivors of domestic violence
		Respond, Inc.	617-623-5900	www.respondinc.org	Respond to and advocate for victims of domestic violence
		Women's Bar Foundation	617-973-6666	https://www.masslegalservices.org/content/womens-bar-foundation-0	Provide free legal assistance projects for women facing domestic violence, housing, incarceration, mental health and probate matters.

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Elder Services		Elder Abuse Hotline	911 or 800-677-1116	https://victimconnect.org/learn/types-of-crime/elder-abuse-and-neglect/	Provides confidential referral services for those who believe they, or their caregivers believe, are victims of elder abuse--emotional, financial, physical, mental.
		Homeowner Options for MA Elders (HOME)	800-583-5337	http://www.elderhomeowners.org/	Assists low-income, elderly homeowners avoid foreclosures, make informed housing decisions to keep their homes, use equity in their homes to survive financially.
Health Services	Mental Health	DeNovo	617-661-1010	www.masslegalservices.org	Offers free legal services and affordable psychological counseling for low income residents in Greater Boston for income, housing and domestic help.
		McLean Hospital	800-333-0338	www.mcleanhospital.org	Provides inpatient, outpatient, acute and long-term care for drug/alcohol abuse and mental illness. Operates 3 specialized therapeutic schools.
		Mental Health Legal Advisors Committee (MHLAC)	617-338-2345	www.mhlac.org	Provides legal assistance to low-income people on mental health matters such as treatment, discrimination, benefits and discharges
		National Alliance on Mental Illness	800-950-6264	www.namimass.org	Provides free mental health family-based education, family and peer support, grassroots advocacy for individuals and families facing the challenges of mental illness.
	Physical Health	Boston Medical Center-- Boston Center for Refugee Health and Human Rights	617-414-4794	https://www.bmc.org/boston-center-refugee-health-and-human-rights	Provides medical care for victims of torture and trauma
	Housing & Food	Food	Dedham Food Pantry	781-320-9442	www.dedhamfoodpantry.org
Project Bread			800-645-8333	www.projectbread.org	Refers callers to food resources in their community. Provides info about school meals, summer meal sites, elder meals programs, and SNAP (formerly known as food stamps) benefits.

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		Rose's Bounty	617-323-4950	www.stratfordstreetunitedchurch.org/food-pantry	Provide access to fresh, nourishing food. Open to all, especially sensitive to school children, homeless/disabled veterans, and homebound seniors.
		Women, Infant, and Children (WIC) Nutrition Program	800-942-1007	www.mass.gov/women-infants-children-wic-nutrition-program	Provide healthy foods, nutrition education, breastfeeding support, and referrals to health care and other services to qualified individuals.
	Housing	Citizens Energy Oil Heat	877-563-4645	www.citizensenergy.com	Make one of life's basic needs more accessible and affordable to low income families.
		Dedham Housing Authority	781-326-3543	Email joanne@dedhamhousing.org	Provide housing opportunities to low income families, seniors and the disabled for Dedham residents. Provide Section 8 vouchers for those who qualify for affordable housing.
		DeNovo	617-661-1010	www.masslegalservices.org	Offers free legal services and affordable psychological counseling for low income residents in Greater Boston for income, housing and domestic help.
		MA Coalition for the Homeless	781-595-7570	www.mahomeless.org	Provides various programs to assist those who are homeless or facing homelessness.
Human Trafficking		National Human Trafficking Hotline	888-373-7888	humantraffickinghotline.org	Provides social and legal services for victims and survivors of this "modern day slavery" issue.
		Catholic Charities Refugee and Immigration Services	617-464-8100	https://www.ccab.org/refugee-services	Represents low-income refugees and immigrants in family reunification cases, and provides some general immigration, domestic violence and human trafficking representation.
Immigration Services		Boston Medical Center-- Boston Center for Refugee Health and Human Rights	617-414-4794	https://www.bmc.org/boston-center-refugee-health-and-human-rights	Provides medical care for victims of torture and trauma
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		Centro Presente	857-256-2981	https://www.cpresente.org/	Assists immigrants from Central and Latin America by inspiring them to take action in reclaiming their rights and humanity
		Political Asylum/Immigration Representation (PAIR)	617-742-9296	https://www.pairproject.org/	Provide free legal services for asylum seekers and people in detention
		Project Citizenship	617-694-5949	https://projectcitizenship.org/	Provide free legal services for Permanent Residents applying for naturalization
Legal Services					
		Aid to Incarcerated Mothers (AIM)	617-536-0058	http://www.umass.edu/cwc/services/IRIS/EW/CR0262_agency.html	Offers legal services to incarcerated mothers and their children, and to women who are facing re-entry into the community
		AIDS Action Committee of MA, Inc.	617-437-6445	Email: legalservices@aac.org	Provide free legal services and referrals to low-income HIV-positive clients for immigration, housing, divorce, custody and other legal services.
		American Civil Liberties Union Foundation of MA (ACLUFM)	617-482-3170	Email: info@aclum.org	Provide legal representation to individuals in civil liberties and civil rights cases.
		Attorney General of MA	617-963-2917 617-963-2939 800-994-3228 617-727-2220	Civil Rights Disability Hate Crimes Victim Compensation	Enforces civil rights laws and protection of citizens against crime
		Children's Law Center of MA	781-581-1977	www.clcm.org	Provide legal services to low-income children
		Committee for Public Counsel Services (CPCS)	617-482-6212	https://www.publiccounsel.net/	Provide legal representation in criminal defense for those who cannot afford a lawyer
		Community Legal Aid (CLA)	508-752-3718	https://communitylegal.org/	Provide advocacy and legal aid for the homeless and at risk populations
		Disability Law Center	617-723-8455	https://www.masslegalservices.org/content/disability-law-center-boston	Provide representation to persons with disabilities related to discrimination, abuse, special education, benefits and access to private/public services

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		Gay & Lesbian Advocates & Defenders (GLAD)	617-426-1350	https://www.glad.org/	Advocates to end discrimination based on sexual orientation, HIV status, gender identity and expression.
		Health Law Advocates	617-338-5241	https://www.healthlawadvocates.org/	Acts as a public interest law firm to ensure access to health care for the ill and uninsured.
		Homeowner Options for MA Elders (HOME)	800-583-5337	http://www.elderhomeowners.org/	Assists low-income, elderly homeowners avoid foreclosures, make informed housing decisions to keep their homes, and use equity in their homes to survive financially.
		Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights and Economic Justice	617-482-1145	https://www.masslegalservices.org/content/lawyers-civil-rights	Provide free legal assistance to those whose civil rights have been violated and to low income entrepreneurs and community development organizations.
		Legal Advocacy & Resources Center (LARC)	617-603-1704	https://www.masslegalservices.org/content/legal-advocacy-and-resource-center-larc	Provide hotline for civil legal information, referrals for low-income and elderly in cases of domestic, landlord/tenant, bankruptcy, benefits, probate, veterans, consumer rights and other civil matters
		Mental Health Legal Advisors Committee (MHLAC)	617-338-2345	www.mhlac.org	Provide legal assistance to low-income people on mental health matters such as treatment, discrimination, benefits and discharges
		MetroWest Legal Services (MWLS)	508-620-1830	https://www.mwlegal.org/	Provide legal assistance to low-income people in matters of domestic violence, housing, special education, benefits.
		National Lawyers Guild, MA Chapter	617-227-7335	https://nlgmass.org/	Provide legal advice, representation and referrals to low-income clients
		Political Asylum/Immigration Representation (PAIR)	617-742-9296	https://www.pairproject.org/	Provide free legal services for asylum seekers and people in detention
		Prisoners' Legal Services (PLS)	617-482-2773	http://www.plsma.org/	Provide legal assistance to prisoners on matters of civil rights, prison conditions, medical care and brutality
		Project Citizenship	617-694-5949	https://projectcitizenship.org/	Provide free legal services for Permanent Residents applying for naturalization
		Public Inquiry & Assistance Center, Office of the Attorney General	617-727-8400	https://www.mass.gov/orgs/office-of-attorney-general-maura-healey	Provide neutral mediation for complaints between consumers against businesses in their communities.

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		Volunteer Lawyers for the Arts of MA (VLA)	617-350-7600	https://artsandbusinesscouncil.org/volunteer-lawyers-for-the-arts/	Refers low-income artists and organizations to attorneys for assistance in contracts, non-profit work, copyright, live/work space, bankruptcy and other matters
		Women's Bar Foundation	617-973-6666	https://www.masslegalservices.org/content/womens-bar-foundation-0	Provide free legal assistance projects for women facing domestic violence, housing, incarceration, mental health and probate matters.
LGBTQ Services					
		AIDS Action Committee of MA, Inc.	617-437-6445	Email: legalservices@aac.org	Provide free legal services and referrals to low-income HIV-positive clients for immigration, housing, divorce, custody and other legal services.
		Boston Alliance of Gay Lesbian Bisexual Transgender Youth (BAGLY)	617-227-4313	www.bagly.org	Supports social organizations for creating, sustaining, advocating for LGBTQ youth community. Youth-led, adult-supported.
		Gay & Lesbian Advocates & Defenders (GLAD)	617-426-1350	https://www.glad.org/	Advocates to end discrimination based on sexual orientation, HIV status, gender identity and expression.
		LGBT Aging Project		www.fenwayhealth.org/the-fenway-institute/lgbt-aging-project	Ensures equal access of LGBT older adults to the same life-prolonging benefits, protections, services and institutions that their heterosexual neighbors take for granted.
Prisoners' Services					
		Aid to Incarcerated Mothers (AIM)	617-536-0058	http://www.umass.edu/cwc/services/IRIS/EW/CR0262_agency.html	Offers legal services to incarcerated mothers and their children, and to women who are facing re-entry into the community
		Prisoners' Legal Services (PLS)	617-482-2773	http://www.plsma.org/	Provide legal assistance to prisoners on matters of civil rights, prison conditions, medical care and brutality
Safety (Local)					
		Dedham Police	911 for Emergency 781-751-9300	www.dedham-ma.gov/departments/police	Protect the citizens and businesses of Dedham, enforce the laws of MA, work with neighborhood groups for the betterment of the community

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		Dedham Fire	911 for Emergency 781-751-9400	www.dedham-ma.gov/departments/fire	Provide fire and emergency medical services to all who live in, work in, and visit Dedham
		Dedham Animal Control	781-326-1212	http://www.dedham-ma.gov/services/animals-pets	Ensures the safety of the public, pets and animals. Also regulates dog licenses and dog park usage.
Unemployment Services		Dept of Unemployment Assistance	617-626-6800	222.mass.gov/orgs/department-of-unemployment-assistance	Oversees the unemployment insurance program which provides temporary income assistance to eligible workers in MA