

Public Notary (aka Notario):

A Public Notary has the authority to act as an official witness when legal documents are signed. They can not help you complete or translate immigration paperwork. A Public Notary is not an Attorney.

Immigration Consultant:

Immigration Consultants can only provide non-legal assistance, help gather supporting documents and interpret/complete immigration paperwork. Immigration Consultants must do the following:

1. Give you a written contract that:
 - is in your own language
 - says you can cancel for any reason within 72 hours
 - says how much money you have to pay
 - says what kind of application the person will file for you
2. The consultant is required to have a bond. The consultant filling out your paperwork must be the same person on the bond. You can verify the person's photo and bond on www.sos.ca.gov/business/sf/bond_search/
3. Should never pretend to be a lawyer or offer legal advice
4. Should never say he/she has special influence with U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services or any Government Agency.

5. Should never file any document for you without going over it with you and explaining it to you.
6. Should never keep your original documents and refuse to return them unless you pay.
7. Should never tell you to lie on an application.

Attorney:

An attorney can help you with all your immigration needs. Check on calbar.org to verify they are still active attorneys.

What to do if you are a victim of fraud:

If you believe you have been a victim of Immigration Fraud caused by a "Notario", Immigration Consultant or an Attorney call the Santa Clara County Sheriff's Office:

(408)808-4599 Main
(408)808-4431 Anonymous calls
Via Email - Tips@sheriff.sccgov.org



**SANTA CLARA COUNTY
SHERIFF'S OFFICE
55 W. Younger Ave
San Jose Ca 95110**

Immigration Legal Services Referral List/Lista de Servicios Legales de Inmigración

The following are nonprofit Attorney and BIA accredited agencies that may be available to assist you. (Nominal fees may apply) Las siguientes son agencias sin fines de lucro, acreditadas por el BIA, y/o con abogados, que posiblemente pueden ayudarle. (Pueda que apliquen cargos nominales)

 Asian Law Alliance 991 West Hedding Street, Suite 202 San Jose, CA 95126 (408) 287-9710	Asian Law Alliance 991 West Hedding Street, Suite 202 San Jose, CA 95126 (408) 287-9710
Phone/walk-in consultations - No appointment necessary M-Th 9-11:30 AM; 1-3:30 PM; F 9-11:30 AM Immigration Clinic - By appointment only F 1-4 PM & Sat 10 AM to 12 PM	
 Catholic Charities SAN FRANCISCO MARIN SAN MATEO Strengthening Families Reducing Poverty	Catholic Charities San Mateo Office 36 37th Avenue, 2nd Floor San Mateo, CA 94403 (650) 295-2160 x 185 San Francisco Office 990 Eddy Street San Francisco, CA 94109 (415) 972-1200
 Center for Employment Training Immigration and Citizenship Program 701 Vine Street San Jose, CA 95110 (408) 534-5451	Center for Employment Training –ICP Immigration and Citizenship Program 701 Vine Street San Jose, CA 95110 (408) 534-5451
Office Hours: Mon –Thurs 10AM-6PM DACA Clinics every Thursday from 2pm – 5pm	
 COMMUNITY LEGAL SERVICES IN EAST PALO ALTO	Community Legal Services in East Palo Alto 2117-B University Avenue East Palo Alto, CA 94303 Phone: (650) 326-6440 Fax: (866) 688-5204
Drop in hours: Mon-Thurs 9AM-1PM Services: all aspects of removal defense, asylum, U visas, VAWA, SIJS, DACA	
 IIBA	International Institute of the Bay Area Redwood City (650) 780-7530 San Francisco (415) 538-8100 Antioch (925) 237-8581 Oakland (510) 451-2846 Fremont (510) 894-3585

SANTA CLARA LAW
KATHARINE & GEORGE ALEXANDER COMMUNITY LAW CENTER

Katharine & George Alexander Community Law Center
 1030 The Alameda
 San Jose, CA 95126
 (408) 288-7030

Asian Pacific Islander Legal Outreach San Francisco Office
 1121 Mission Street
 San Francisco, CA 94103
 (415) 567-6255

API Legal Outreach

Oakland Office
 1305 Franklin Street, Suite 410
 Oakland, CA 94612
 (510) 251-2846

Catholic Charities of Santa Clara County
 2625 Zanker Road, Suite 201
 San Jose, CA 95134
 (408) 944-0691

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Coastside Hope
 99 Alhambra Ave.
 P.O. Box 1089
 El Granada, CA 94018
 (650) 726-9071 x 224
 Fax (650) 726-7096

Coastside Hope

Services: M-F 8-5 in Spanish & Portuguese
 Immigration Clinic: Appointment only F 1-4PM & Sat 10AM to 12PM

Immigration Services of Mountain View
 1058 W. Evelyn Ave., Suite 30
 Sunnyvale, CA 94086
 (650) 938-4911



International Rescue Committee San Jose Office
 1210 S. Bascom Ave, Suite 227
 San Jose, CA 95128
 (408) 277-0255

International Rescue Committee

Oakland Office
 405 14th Street, Suite 1415
 Oakland, CA 94612
 (510) 452-8222

LEGAL AID SOCIETY OF SAN MATEO COUNTY

Legal Aid Society
 330 Twin Dolphin Dr, #123
 Redwood City, CA 94065
 (650)-558-0915

Services: SIJS & U-visa assistance for low income San Mateo County residents. Please call for appointment

Services, Immigrant Rights & Education Network
 1425 Koll Circle, Suite 109
 San Jose, CA 95112
 English/Vietnamese (408) 453-3013
 English/Spanish (408) 453-3017

SIREN SERVICES, IMMIGRANT RIGHTS & EDUCATION NETWORK

Free Legal Consultations
Consultas Legales Gratis
 Thursdays/Jueves 9AM—6PM

Pangea Legal Services
 350 Sansome St, Ste. 650
 San Francisco, CA 94104
 (415) 254-0475

PANGAEA LEGAL SERVICES

Services: affirmative and defensive asylum, cancellation of removal, DACA, U-visa, family based petitions, SIJS, and other immigration services
 Please contact us for consultations

Step Forward Foundation
 PO Box 175
 Campbell, CA 95009
 (408) 915-8698 (t)
 (408) 465-5288 (f)

STEP FORWARD FOUNDATION

SANTA CLARA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE



KNOW THE DIFFERENCE



DON'T BE A VICTIM

Protect yourself from fraud. Notarios are not attorneys and are not authorized to give legal advice.

Proteje de las estafas. Los notarios no son abogados y no estan autorizados para dar consejos legales.