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Adult Drug Treatment Court Program

Circuit Court for Carroll County

55 N. Court Street, Westminster, MD 21157-5155

410-386-2851 Fax: 410-386-2596

To reduce dependency through effective allocation of community resources to an intensive, court-supervised program that combines treatment with support services for eligible offenders. Provides intensive case-management and referrals for community services and resources. Individuals are referred to Drug Court by the Carroll County Circuit Court. Serves adults.

Carroll County Community Mediation Center

Carroll Community College

255 Clifton Boulevard, Suite 311, Westminster, MD 21157-4787

410-848-1764 Fax 410-848-5479

carrollcc.edu/student-services/community-mediation-center

Office Hours: Monday - Friday: 9:00 am - 6:00 pm

Services provided everyday 9:00 am - 9:00 pm

To make mediation and alternative conflict resolution processes more accessible to county residents, organizations, and business, and to promote the use of nonviolent conflict resolution processes as an alternative to the courts, police or violence. Provides free mediation services to county residents, organizations and businesses. The CCCMC also conducts community education and conflict resolution trainings; schedules mediation at times and locations convenient to the participants. No charge to county residents and organizations. Serves all ages.

Carroll County Department of Juvenile Services

101 N. Court Street, Westminster, MD 21157-5166

410-871-3600 Fax 410-871-3620

djs.state.md.us

Monday - Friday: 8:00 am - 5:00 pm

Provides court-ordered supervision of delinquent youth, and assistance for youth exhibiting at-risk behaviors. Offers counseling services to juveniles and their families placed on probation or under protective supervision by the court. Other

services include anger management classes, smoking cessation sessions, substance abuse support, case management for delinquent youth, and victim awareness programs. Offers free drug abuse, prevention education to community, business, school, church, and civic groups on important issues facing juveniles and our society. Programs include: Profiles of At-Risk Youth, Alternatives to Incarceration, and Young Women and the Criminal Justice System. Also provides Victim Awareness Education Counseling through school-based juvenile counselors in all current high schools. Please call to arrange for a speaker. Most services are free, although some referral services have their own fees. Serves youth ages 8 to 21.

Carroll County Office of the Public Defender

101 N. Court Street, Suite 140, Westminster, MD 21157-5166

410-871-3636 Fax: 410-871-3640

opd.state.md.us

Monday - Friday: 8:00 am - 5:00 pm

Provides legal representation for indigent defendants at all stages of criminal, serious traffic, and juvenile proceedings in Carroll County. Eligibility based on income and assets. Must apply at least 10 business days before trial date. All ages served.

Carroll County Victim Witness Assistance Unit

Carroll County State's Attorney's Office

55 N. Court Street, Suite 100, Westminster, MD 21157-5155

410-386-2671 Fax 410-876-9286

carrollcountystatesattorney.org

Monday - Friday: 8:00 am - 5:00 pm

To provide support and assistance to victims and witnesses of homicide, sexual assault, child abuse, burglaries, serious assaults, and domestic violence and certain more serious misdemeanor cases. Provides the following services: 1. Explains court processes to individuals who will be called to testify for the State. 2. Provides information such as court dates and time to each victim or witness of felony crime. 3. Assists with filing Victim Impact Statements, restitution forms, and Criminal Injury Compensation forms. 4. Expedites property returns. 5. Arranges transportation, if needed, to and from court for state's witnesses. 6. Intercedes on behalf of an employee with the employer regarding his status as a State's witness. 7. Provides court accompaniment to state's witnesses, when necessary. Referrals to appropriate



agencies and counseling services, as well as safe facilities, will be made when necessary. The Director is able to provide a speaker to community groups.

Disability Rights Maryland

1500 Union Ave., Suite 2000, Baltimore, MD 21211

410-727-6352 x 0 or 1-800-233-7201

DisabilityRightsMD.org

Monday - Friday 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

Provides services to persons with disabilities. A Protection and Advocacy agency, mandated to advance the civil rights of people with disabilities. Offers free legal services (Pro Bono Attorney Referral Program) to Marylanders of any age with all types of disabilities (developmental, intellectual, learning, psychiatric, physical, sensory, traumatic brain injury), who live in facilities, in the community or who are homeless. (Spanish/English)

Family Law Administration

Circuit Court of Carroll County

55 N. Court Street, Suite 208, Westminster, MD 21157-5155

410-386-2751 Fax: 410-751-5339

mdcourts.gov/family/carroll.html

Monday - Friday: 8:30 am - 4:30 pm

To coordinate and monitor family support services, both private and public, which are provided to parties in pending domestic court cases in Carroll County. Referrals are available for mediation, parent education classes, legal services, counseling, custody evaluations, visitation services, anger management classes, resources for domestic violence victims, and other support services. The Division also coordinates efforts between the judiciary, attorneys, and service providers to expand resources available in the county. Free family law legal advice by volunteer lawyers on Tuesdays 4:00 pm - 7:00 pm and on Thursdays 9:00 am - 12:00 pm for self-represented persons of low income, including help with forms in Maryland domestic law. Services first come, first serve. If the Carroll Circuit Court orders services that require a fee, a waiver of that fee may be submitted to Family Law Administration and given if funds are available and income requirements are met. A free domestic legal information seminar will be given on the first Tuesday of each month from 4:00 pm - 7:00 pm to all interested persons. All ages served.

Family Law Hotline

800-845-8550

Monday - Friday: 9:30 am - 4:30 pm

To provide general legal information about family law (or domestic relations); this hotline is staffed by attorneys experienced in the area of family law. This 501(c)3 nonprofit organization of lawyers, judges, social services and health care providers focuses on the legal rights of women and children. It is an income eligible service staffed by experienced family law attorneys ready to assist callers with issues of family law, including divorce, custody, child support, visitation, third party custody, alimony, name change, and other family law issues. Attorneys can provide information and appropriate referrals to service providers that might be available to assist the caller.

Legal Aid Bureau, Inc.

22 S. Market Street, Suite 11, Frederick, MD 21701-5572

800-679-8813

mdlaborg

Intake: Monday, Wednesday, Friday: 9:00 am - 12:00 pm;

Carroll County Seniors Intake: Monday - Friday: 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

To provide the low-income residents of Carroll, Frederick and Washington counties with free, high quality legal representation. This law office deals with the following civil problem areas: landlord-tenant and other housing problems, government benefits, family law, elder law, employment law, and consumer protection. Screening of potential clients as to eligibility and case type can be done by telephone. Eligibility is based on income and problem type; call for screening. No fees are charged.

Maryland Volunteer Lawyers Service

201 N. Charles Street, Suite 1400, Baltimore, MD 21201

800-510-0050 or 410-547-6537 Fax: 433-451-4081

mvlslaw.org

Monday - Thursday: 9:00 am - 1:00 pm

To provide free quality civil legal assistance to Marylanders with limited income. Provides free (and in some cases low cost) legal representation to Marylanders with limited income. We also provide free legal help for community-based nonprofits that are working to strengthen low-income communities in Maryland. Each eligible individual client is matched with a volunteer lawyer who has the appropriate skills and



expertise to provide quality representation. With a volunteer pool of 2,700 lawyers, MVLS provides services in every jurisdiction in the state. Check the Internet site for a complete description of our services. Clients are responsible for all non-waivable court fees. Serves all ages.

Women’s Law Center of Maryland, Inc.

305 W. Chesapeake Avenue, Suite 201, Towson, MD 21204-4447

admin@wlcmd.org

wlcmd.org/kcprograms.html

Provides free legal services in the areas of family law, domestic violence and employment law. Services include legal representation projects, and educational materials to help understand the law and individuals’ rights.