

YLP staff

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Youth Law Project



Our mission

We provide free legal advice and representation to:

- Youth, under 18 years of age
- Young adults, 18-24, in high school or working with a transitional living program or experiencing homelessness



Contact us directly via phone or email.



Our work

- Protect youth from abuse and neglect
- Help runaways, i.e. unaccompanied youth, pursue their legal rights
- Put in place Delegation of Parental Authority (DOPA) — i.e. a trusted adult is assigned temporary parental responsibilities
- Preserve rights of teen parents
- Ensure health care needs are met
- Help youth access:
 - Homeless youth services
 - Public benefits
 - Government ID documents
 - Immigration documents
 - Education

Our community

We work with schools, community organizations and agencies to help train staff, youth and community members about legal issues affecting young people.



Training & outreach

YLP trainings cover:

- Youth rights and responsibilities
- Consent and confidentiality issues
- Emancipation
- Other topics, as requested

Good to know

- We can help resolve many cases without going to court!



- If a young person has a court case in another county, we'll try to connect them with a lawyer in that county.
- We do not represent youth in delinquency cases. The court usually appoints a public defender.