



SOUTHERN ARIZONA  
**LEGAL AID, INC.**

**What stands in the way of Veterans'  
successful transition to civilian life?**

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**VETERANS  
HOPE & JUSTICE  
PROJECT**

On and off the battlefield, our Veterans fight for peace and justice. Once they separate from service, they may face legal issues obstructing their successful transition to civilian life. This is often due to trauma from military service, leading to mental health issues that put Veterans at a greater risk to experience homelessness.

That's where the Veterans Hope & Justice Project comes in, a program of Southern Arizona Legal Aid, Inc.

Civil legal problems are often the greatest obstacles to a Veteran's health, housing, stability, and productivity.

While many Veterans served heroically, they are vulnerable when it comes to understanding and navigating Arizona's civil justice system. Both national and state surveys consistently demonstrate Veterans have unmet legal needs.

The Veterans Hope & Justice Project is joining forces with existing and new nonprofit partners and community Veteran-serving organizations, including the Veterans Administration, and Veteran-serving advocates and organizations.

Outreach and education advocacy informs Veterans and the public how to recognize civil legal problems and how to address them before they become acute. In turn, this helps prevent legal issues from reaching a point where the civil court system becomes involved.

The Veterans Hope & Justice Project provides quality legal services to Veterans who need equal access to justice.



## WAYS THE VETERANS HOPE & JUSTICE PROJECT CAN HELP

- **Consumer protection:** bankruptcy, deceptive and predatory lending practices, debt collection, vehicle repossession, fraud, and wage garnishment
- **Family Law:** Orders of Protection, divorce, parenting time, guardianship, child support, and paternity
- **Housing:** evictions, subsidized housing, substandard housing conditions, lockouts, utility shutoffs, foreclosure, and mobile home repossession
- **Public and VA benefits:** SNAP, medical assistance, long-term care, TANF, unemployment, and Social Security disability benefits
- **Restorative justice:** restoration of state civil rights through expungement of criminal history or past eligible marijuana convictions and/or sealing of arrest, conviction, and sentencing records





## WHO CAN GET HELP?

Veterans who have been honorably discharged and are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless.

Veterans regularly face civil legal challenges threatening their safety, stability, and financial security. They experience and struggle through family violence, loss of housing, consumer scams, denial of earned benefits, as well as loss of civil rights resulting from a criminal conviction.

Veterans who experience homelessness identify legal services preventing evictions and foreclosures among their top 10 unmet needs.

## CONTACT US

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## NATIVE AMERICAN SERVICES

SALA serves 11 of Arizona's 22 federally recognized tribal nations. We assist tribal members and residents on and off the reservations with all SALA services, as well as cases involving one's status, Indian Child Welfare Act cases, Indian wills, probate, guardianships, and conservatorships.

## LOCATIONS

*Legal services vary by location based on staff availability and community needs.*

Apache, Gila, and Navajo Counties

928-537-8383 or 1-800-658-7958

White Mountain Apache Tribe: Fort Apache

928-338-4845 or 1-866-312-2291

Cochise, Graham, and Greenlee Counties

520-432-1639 or 1-800-231-7106

Pima and Santa Cruz Counties

520-623-9461 or 1-800-248-6789

Tohono O'odham Nation

520-623-9461

Pinal County

520-316-8076 or 1-877-718-8086

Gila River Indian Community: Sacaton

520-562-3369 or 1-866-312-2290

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