

NEWSLETTER

DIRECTORATE OF FREE LEGAL AID

MARCH 2025

AGREEMENT WITH THE PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE AT THE COURT OF FIRST INSTANCE OF THE GENERAL JURISDICTION OF ELBASAN



The Directorate of Free Legal Aid, represented by the Director of the Directorate for the Implementation and Administration of Primary Legal Aid, Mrs. Patricia Pogace, and Mrs. Suela Qevani, Head of the Primary Legal Aid Service Providers Management Sector, has entered into an agreement with the Prosecutor's Office at the Court of First Instance of the General Jurisdiction of Elbasan regarding the provision, free of charge, of premises for the operation of the Primary Legal Aid Service Center in Elbasan.

13 TRAINING SESSIONS CONDUCTED WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF THE COOPERATION AGREEMENT WITH THE FACULTIES OF LAW.







The Directorate of Free Legal Aid, referring to the Cooperation Agreements signed with 13 law faculties, has conducted training on Free Legal Aid for 293 students. During the training, students were informed about primary and secondary legal aid, as well as the role of Law Clinics in providing Free Legal Aid services. The participating students were welcomed to engage in a 3month work practice at the Directorate of Free Legal Aid and the Primary Legal Aid Service Centers. Upon completion of the practice, the engaged students will be issued a certificate by the Minister of Justice.







FINALIZATION FOR THE SECOND TIME OF THE FUNDING PROCEDURE FOR NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS FUNDED BY THE MINISTER OF JUSTICE.



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The funding procedure for non-profit organizations authorized by the Minister of Justice to provide primary legal aid was finalized for the second time. Following the competitive procedure, 4 organizations were granted funding from the state budget for the year 2025.

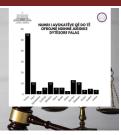




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THE PROCESS OF SIGNING SERVICE CONTRACTS WITH 140 LAWYERS, PART OF THE LIST OF SECONDARY LEGAL AID PROVIDERS, HAS BEEN COMPLETED.

The process of signing service contracts with 140 lawyers, part of the list of Secondary Legal Aid providers, has been completed. Free legal representation is ensured through all local bar associations in Albania.













On March 16, 2025, the second chronicle of the interview with the employee of the Gjirokastër Primary Legal Aid Service Center was published, regarding the specific beneficiary categories of Free Legal Aid.

The Free Legal Aid Center Gjirokastër, on March 10, 2025, conducted an interview with the local media RTSH Gjirokastër regarding mediation.

The Free Legal Aid Center Gjirokastër and the Free Legal Aid Center Përmet, on March 20, 2025, organized an informational event in the context of World Down Syndrome Day and International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination, with the participation of special beneficiary categories of Free Legal Aid.

The Free Legal Aid Center Gjirokastër and the Free Legal Aid Center Përmet, on March 20, 2025, organized a Street Law awareness-raising activity on Law No. 111/2017 'On State-Guaranteed Legal Aid'.

The Free Legal Aid Center Përmet, on March 21, 2025, at 10:30 AM, organized an informational meeting in the context of World Down Syndrome Day and International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination.

The Free Legal Aid Center Përmet, on March 28, 2025, conducted an interview with RTSH Gjirokastër, focusing on the provision of primary legal aid to citizens in need.

The Free Legal Aid Center Vlorë, on March 4, 2025, as part of the training sessions held by the Directorate of Free Legal Aid, conducted a training on Free Legal Aid with students from the 'Ismail Qemali' University of

Vlorë, where they introduced the students to Law No. 111/2017 'On State-Guaranteed Legal Aid'.

The Free Legal Aid Center Vlorë was invited to a meeting within the framework of the project 'Support through Employment and Education for Members of the Roma and Egyptian Minority in the Municipality of Vlorë'.

The Free Legal Aid Center Vlorë, on March 17, 2025, was part of a meeting organized by the members of the Coordinated Mechanism for Referring Domestic Violence Cases.

The Free Legal Aid Center Vlorë, on March 21, 2025, at the invitation of the International Association for Solidarity, participated in a meeting within the framework of the project 'Promoting Inclusive Education through Combined Education for Students of the Roma and Egyptian Community in the Municipality of Vlorë'.







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The Free Legal Aid Center Vlorë was invited by the Regional Office of the Ombudsman to a meeting at the Orikum Administrative Unit, where discussions were held on cooperation between institutions.











The Free Legal Aid Center Lushnje on February 12, 2025, participated in an event organized by the Center for Civic Legal Initiatives (QNL) in collaboration with the Municipality of Lushnje.

The Free Legal Aid Center Kavajë on March 13, 2025, conducted a training on Free Legal Aid with students from the "Aleksandër Moisiu" University.

The Free Legal Aid Center Durrës on March 21, 2025, held an awareness-raising event at the premises of the Nishtulla Multifunctional Community Center, in observance of the International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination.

The Free Legal Aid Center Durrës organized an informational event on March 27, 2025, in observance of the International Day for the Right to Truth, at the "Qemal Mici" School.

The Free Legal Aid Center Korçë on March 21, 2025, held an informational event in observance of World Down Syndrome Day and the International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination, at the Residential Development Center.

The Free Legal Aid Center Korçë on March 25, 2025, held a meeting with students of the "Themistokli Gërmenji" High School, where they informed the students about Law No. 111/2017 "On State-Guaranteed Legal Aid.

The Free Legal Aid Center Fier on March 17, 2025, participated in the training organized by the Albanian Foundation for the Rights of Persons with Disabilities and ANAD on special categories as beneficiaries of

The Free Legal Aid Center Fier on March 21, 2025, organized an informational event at the "New Era" Center, focusing on providing information about Law No. 111/2017 "On State-Guaranteed Legal Aid.

The Free Legal Aid Center Fier on March 20, 2025, participated in the meeting organized within the framework of the "Health for All" project, where the possibilities of cooperation between institutions for a more dignified service for special categories were discussed.

The Directorate of Free Legal Aid and the Free Legal Aid Center Tirana conducted a training on Free Legal Aid with students from the Faculty of Law, University of Tirana.

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The Directorate of Free Legal Aid and the Free Legal Aid Center Tirana conducted a training on Free Legal Aid on March 11, 2025, with students from the European University of Tirana.

The Free Legal Aid Center Shkodër, as part of the ongoing training initiated by the Directorate of Free Legal Aid, conducted a training on Free Legal Aid at "Luigj Gurakuqi" University.











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