

Legal Referral– Family Reunion

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Free Legal Help

If you have been granted your permanent protection (subclass 866) visa and need assistance to apply for a visa for your family, you may be able to get some free legal assistance with your sponsorship application.

You may be able to get free legal advice and assistance from the following organisations:

Name	Description	Contact details
Refugee Legal (formerly RILC)	Refugee Legal specialises in free legal advice and representation in relation to refugee and general immigration matters, including family reunion.	Advice line: (03) 9413 0100 – available Wednesdays & Fridays from 10am to 2pm Level 6, 20 Otter Street, COLLINGWOOD 3066
Spectrum Migrant Resource Centre	SMRC assists people who have been in Australia for less than 5 years and be resident in the areas of Sunshine, Hume and Darebin.	Phone: (03) 9470 2311 Level 1, 306-308 Bell Street PRESTON VIC 3072 (also offices in Dallas & Sunshine)
Migrant Information Centre	The MIC provides assistance with DIBP applications, family reunion and partner visa applications. It provides migration advice for sponsors of a spouse or a family member. To be eligible for this service you need to live in the Eastern suburbs of Melbourne, be on a low income and have no disposable assets.	Phone: (03) 9285 4888 Suite 2, Town Hall Hub 27 Bank Street BOX HILL VIC 3128 Services Eastern suburbs (Boroondara, Knox, Manningham, Maroondah, Monash, Whitehorse and Yarra Ranges).

Flemington & Kensington Community Legal Centre	FKCLC offer free migration assistance, generally only to residents of Flemington and Kensington. FKCLC offer limited advice on family migration visas, such as partner and child visas, but cannot usually offer ongoing case work in these areas.	Phone: (03) 9376 4355 22 Bellaire Street, KENSINGTON VIC 3031
Southport Community Legal Service	Southport does not provide assistance is general immigration law matters, however it does provide limited assistance with appeal to the Administrative Appeals Tribunal.	Phone: (03) 9646 6066 341 Coventry Street, SOUTH MELBOURNE VIC 3205
Victoria Legal Aid (VLA)	VLA does not provide ongoing assistance with family reunion applications, but may be able to give you some general information.	Advice line: 1300 792 387 – available Monday to Friday from 8.45 am to 5.15 pm
Diversitat Migration Services	Diversitat Migration Services are available in Geelong, Colac and Werribee. Diversitat has been providing free migration services for over 30 years.	Geelong: (03) 5246 9600 Colac: (03) 5231 1655 Werribee: (03) 9974 1700 migration@diversitat.org.au

Paid Legal Services

If you have some money and can pay a private lawyer, please see ASRC's other referral sheet which has a list of lawyers who we recommend for assistance with your family reunion application.

Migration agents and lawyers who practise in immigration must be registered with the Office of Migration Agents Registration Authority to give you advice. See <https://www.mara.gov.au/>

Only use a registered migration agent for assistance with your family reunion application.

