## **RESOURCES FOR FORCIBLE ENTRY AND DETAINER (EVICTION) LITIGANTS**

The 17<sup>th</sup> Judicial District provides its court customers with appropriate and accessible resources when they have questions related to Landlord/Tenant issues, housing lease agreements and eviction proceedings. Listed below are resources that are available to parties involved in a Forcible Entry and Detainer (Eviction) case. Please reach out to any of these agencies/programs if you have questions or need assistance.

### COLORADO LEGAL SERVICES (CLS) EVICTION REDUCTION PROGRAM

www.coloradolegalservices.com

- CLS provides free legal services in all types of housing matters to low income individuals and families.
- CLS focuses on mobile home cases and subsidized housing, including Section 8 voucher cases.
- CLS provides legal advice and representation in some cases.
- CLS focuses on cases where tenants do not have an attorney, but the landlord does.

### SELF HELP RESOURCE CENTER (SHRC)

Email: 17SHRC@judicial.state.co.us or Phone: 303-654-3555

- SHRC works with individual who do not have an attorney.
- SHRC staff can answer questions about forms, the legal system and the legal process.
- SHRC staff cannot provide legal advice.

#### **COLORADO LEGAL HELP CENTER**

www.coloradolegalhelpcenter.us

Online legal information, practical resources and contact information for assistance with legal matters.

#### **NAVIGATOR PROGRAM**

Email: 17Navigator@judicial.state.co.us

- Volunteer Court Navigators assist landlords and tenants who are involved in a court eviction case.
- Court Navigators only work on cases where BOTH parties are not represented by an attorney.
- Court Navigators help individuals fill out court forms, provide information about procedural rights, help individuals locate resources; and facilitate a resolution between the landlord and the tenant by explaining procedures and providing options.
- Court Navigators cannot provide legal advice.
- Navigator informational video is located at <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pQWWTM4onN4">www.youtube.com/watch?v=pQWWTM4onN4</a>

# HOUSING STABILITY (RENT ASSISTANCE) RESPONSE AND RECOVERY TASK FORCE

https://maikerhp.org/rent-utility-and-mortgage-assistance-3/

- Provide emergency, short term rent, mortgage, and utility assistance to households that are most vulnerable to eviction or foreclosure (COVID-19 Short Term Rental and Mortgage Assistance Fund)
- Ensure tenants receive appropriate due process and legal support as courts resume eviction hearings.
- Expand and scale existing rent, mortgage, and utility assistance programs encompass landlord direct payment options.
- Provide a "rapid settlement" legal aid strategy where landlords and tenants can apply and receive expedited assistance to prevent tenants from being evicted and landlords from accruing additional debt.
- Ensure clear communication and navigation of resources for residents and resource/care navigators.