SOUTHEAST LOUISIANA
LEGAL SERVICES

About SLLS

Southeast Louisiana Legal Services (SLLS) fights for fairness in the justice system. We provide free legal services to low-income people across 22 parishes in Southeast Louisiana. We work every day to protect domestic violence victims from abuse, stand for the rights of abused and neglected children, preserve housing for hard-working families, end homelessness for people with disabilities and veterans, protect elderly consumers, remove barriers to medical care, improve access to employment and education for vulnerable people, and so much more.

SLLS eligibility

To be eligible for our services, all of the following requirements must be met: (1) no ethical conflict exist within SLLS; (2) You are a U.S. Citizen or an Eligible Non-Citizen; (3) You must meet our income/asset eligibility guidelines; and (4) Your case is within our priorities and case types.

SLLS 2022 POVERTY GUIDELINES AND INCOME/ASSETS GUIDELINES

Southeast Louisiana Legal Services (SLLS) provides free civil legal services to eligible persons and groups if they meet our "household" income and asset guidelines. An applicant's total household income must be at or below 125% of poverty. If an applicant's total household income is between 126-200% of federal poverty guidelines, they may still be eligible for our services if there are allowable income deductions or other factors in accordance with SLLS' guidelines. Our asset limit is $15,000. Poverty guidelines change annually.

125% GUIDELINES

FAMILY SIZE	100%	ANNUAL	MONTHLY	WEEKLY
1	13590	16,988	1,416	327
2	18310	22,888	1,907	440
3	23030	28,788	2,399	554
4	27750	34,688	2,891	667
5	32470	40,588	3,382	781
6	37190	46,488	3,874	894
7	41910	52,388	4,366	1,007
8	46630	58,288	4,857	1,121
For each Additional Person ADD	4720	5,900	492	113

200% GUIDELINES

FAMILY SIZE		ANNUAL	MONTHLY	WEEKLY
1	13590	27,180	2,265	522
2	18310	36,620	3,051	704
3	23030	46,060	3,838	885
4	27750	55,500	4,625	1,067
5	32470	64,940	5,411	1,248
6	37130	74,380	6,198	1,430
7	41910	83,820	6,985	1,611
8	46630	93,260	7,771	1,793
For each Additional Person ADD	4720	9,440	787	182

PLEASE NOTE: There may be special grants that allow for an applicant's income to be greater than 200% of poverty. Please apply for our services by phone or online to see if you qualify. (Toll Free number: (877) 521-6242 or website at www.slls.org)

Allowable income Deductions:

Income Deductions include:	Income deductions do not include
• Medical Expenses • Fixed Debts, including unpaid taxes from prior years • Current taxes • Child care costs for minors, transportation or other work-related expenses • Costs of vehicles used for transportation • Expenses related to age or disability • Child Support Actually Paid by Applicant	• Utilities • Food • Phone bills • credit card bills, or other household expenses

CITIZENSHIP/NON-CITIZENSHIP STATUS

To be eligible for our services, an applicant must either be:
    (1) a US Citizen; OR
    (2) an eligible Non-Citizen Status (**Verification of eligible, non-citizenship status is required**); OR
    (3) Eligible under an exception.

Eligible, Non-Citizenship Status includes: **1) Non-citizen, lawfully admitted for residency (LPR);**   or   **2) Non-citizen who is married to a U.S. citizen, or parent of a U.S. citizen, or unmarried child under the age of 21 of a U.S. citizen *and* has filed an application that has not been rejected for adjustment of status to permanent residency.** Must provide: A. Proof of Filing of application **AND** B .Proof of Family Relationship;   or   **3. Refugees, asylees, those granted withholding or deferral of deportation or removal and conditional entrants, including Citizen or Nationals of Ukraine and Afghanistan;**   or   **4. Agricultural Workers (H-2A and SAW) and Forestry Workers (H-2B);**   or
EXCEPTION to Non-Citizenship status **5. Victims of certain crimes such as Domestic Violence or Human Trafficking regardless of immigration status.**