



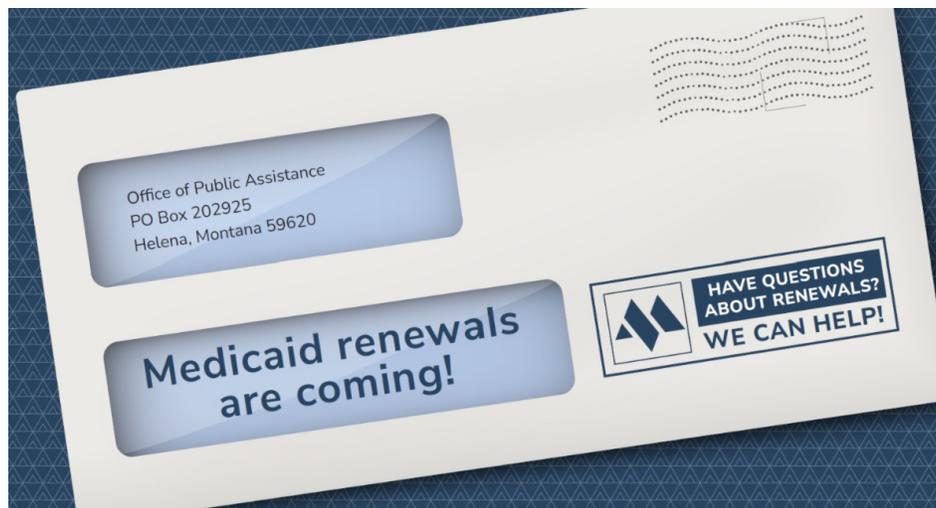
Hello and welcome to Montana Legal Services Association's client newsletter

This letter was created with you in mind.

MLSA will send information that may be relevant to you and your families via email every few months. We will include information on topics such as taxes, public benefits, upcoming deadlines, resources, and more.

You are receiving this newsletter because you asked to be added to MLSA's newsletter list. You can unsubscribe at anytime.

Important! Update Your Address with Medicaid and Healthy Kids Montana



Medicaid and Healthy Montana Kids (HMK) coverage renewal notices will be sent out starting April 1, 2023.

Everyone with Medicaid and HMK needs to keep their address updated with DPHHS.

The easiest way to update your address is to fill out the [Change of Address Form](#) or call 1-844-682-6837.

We do not want anyone to lose coverage! Check out our article [Medicaid Unwinding Frequently Asked Questions](#) for more information.

Taxes

Tax season is here. The Montana Department of Revenue has information on [The Free File Alliance](#), a nonprofit organization that partners with Montana to prepare and e-file tax returns for **free**.

MLSA also has a section on taxes you can check out by visiting [MontanaLawHelp.org](#).

Check Out Our Legal Tips of the Week on Social Media!

We share helpful tips and information like this every week on [Instagram](#) and [Facebook](#). Make sure to follow us!

Do you know how to protect your security deposit?



Clean your unit.



Keep a copy of your condition report.



Give your landlord your new address.



If your landlord refuses to return your security deposit, your first step is to send a letter.



Use our free interactive Security Deposit Demand Letter.

Find the free interactive form at:

[MontanaLawHelp.org](#)



How to Apply to MLSA

MLSA has free self-help resources available online at MontanaLawHelp.org and MTCrimeVictimHelp.org.

MLSA provides legal information, advice, and legal representation free of charge to low income Montanans with civil legal needs. Some examples of what we help with include:

- Housing Rights;
- Public Benefits;
- Money Problems;
- Domestic Violence; and more.

The best way to find out if we can help is to apply:

- Go to www.mtlsa.org and click the blue "Apply Here" button. The online application is available 24/7; or
 - Call the Helpline at 1 (800) 666-6899, Tuesday through Thursday, 9am to 1pm. If you are not able to reach a representative by phone, you can apply online or try us again during operating hours.
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What to Do While You Wait

While you wait for MLSA to process your application, there are things you can do to help yourself:

- Visit MontanaLawHelp.org for free legal forms and information.
- Visit MTCrimeVictimHelp.org for free resources for crime victims and their advocates.
- Contact the [nearest Self Help Law Center](#) for free help with legal forms and information. Please call ahead to find out how the centers can help over the phone.

To check the status of an application, call our Helpline at 1-800-666-6899. Staff are available to answer the phone Tuesday through Thursday, 9am to 1pm.

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