Special Education Referral List

Below is a list of organizations that will provide direct representation, legal advice, and parental support groups. Contact the organization for more information about he services they provide.

Direct Representation

County	Organization	Number	Services
Alameda	Law Office of Katherine	Phone: 510-	Low cost special education
	Siegfried, Esq.	465-0018	representation.
	1814 Franklin Street,		
	Suite 210		
	Oakland, CA 94612		
Alameda	Letecia Whetstone	Phone: 510-	Low cost special education
	1900 Powell Street,	779-2885	representation. For more information
	Suite 6078	Fax" 510-779-	contact letecia@lstonelaw.com
	Emeryville, CA 94608	5555	
Bay Area	Disability Rights	Sacramento	Free representation in IEP meetings,
Regional	California	Regional: 916-	due process hearings, and helps
		504-5800	parents file compliance complaints.
		Bay Area	
		Regional: 510-	For more information, visit:
		267-1200	http://www.disabilityrightsca.org/abou
		Fresno Office:	t/index.htm
		559- 476-2000	
		Los Angeles	
		Regional: 213-	
		213-8000	
		San Diego	
		Regional: 619-	
		239-7861	
San	Community Alliance For	Phone: 415-	Free direct representation by
Francisco	Special Education	431-2285 ext.	attorney and non-attorney advocates
	Other Locations:	2100	at Individual Education Program (IEP)
	1. Santa Rosa		meetings, due process mediations, and
	California Parenting	1. Phone: 707-	administrative hearings.
	Institute	585-6108	 Free legal advice to families on
		Ext. 116	special education rights
	2. Hayward		•Training on special education rights
		2. Phone: 510-	and services to parents so they to can
	3. Fremont	783-5333	better advocate for appropriate special
	Youth & Family Services		education programs and services on
		3. Phone: 510-	behalf of children with disabilities.
		574-2140	For more detailed info go to:
			http://caseadvocacy.org/services.html

San Francisco	Patricia Siehl 450 Hoffman Avenue San Francisco, CA 94114	Phone: 415- 713-7075 Fax: 415-751- 7093	Low cost special education representation. For more information contact patty@sfchildrenslaw.com
San Francisco San Mateo/ Santa Clara/ Alameda	Sheila Brogna 450 Hoffman Avenue San Francisco, CA 94114 Stanford Youth and Education Law Clinic	Phone: 415- 317-2508 Fax: 415-889- 6979 Phone: 650- 723-4336	Low cost special education representation. For more information contact sheila@sfchildrenslaw.com FREE representation of youth and families in special education and school discipline matters.
San Mateo/ Santa Clara/ Alameda	Legal Aid of San Mateo County	Phone: 650- 558-0915 or 800- 381-8898	Help file due process complaints. Also, gives free advice for IEP related questions, denial of CCS, Medical, and IHSS.

Legal Advice

County	Organization	Number	Services
Alameda/	Disability Rights	Phone:	Free legal advice, but does not
Contra	Education & Defense	510.644.2555	represent clients. Also, offers parent
Costa/	Fund (DREDF)		workshops in Berkley twice a month.
Yolo			For more information, visit:
			http://dredf.org/programs/PTI.shtml

Parent Support Groups

County	Organization	Number	Services
Alpine	Rowell Family	Phone: 530-	Provides trainings and tools to help
	Empowerment of	226-5129 or	educate parents on disability rights.
	Northern CA (RFENC)	Toll Free 877-	
		227-3471	
	(Counties served		
	Tuolumne, Calaveras,		
	Sacramento, Amador,		
	Alpine, El Dorado,		

	Placer, Nevada, Sutter,		
	Colusa, Lake,		
	Mendocino, Glenn,		
	Butte, Yuba, Sierra,		
	Plumas, Tehama, Trinity,		
	Humboldt, Del Norte,		
	Siskiyou, Shasta, Lassen)		
Los Angeles	Team of Advocates for	Phone: 714-	TASK peer parent support and free
	Special Kids (TASK)	533-8275 or	legal advice.
	(Counties served:	Toll Free at	
	Imperial, San Diego,	866-828-8275	
	Orange, Riverside, San		
	Bernardino, Los		
	Angeles, Ventura, Santa		
	Barbara, San Luis		
	Obispo, Inyo, Mono.		
Marin	Matrix Parent Network	Help line:	They offer free support groups, parent
	/C	800-578-2592	mentors, workshops/trainings, and a
	(Counties served:		free resource library,
	Marin, Napa, Solano,		
	and Sonoma)		Referrals list:
			http://www.matrixparents.org/resourc
			es/referrals-2/
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Merced	Exceptional Parents Unlimited (EPU)	Phone: 559- 225-1102 or	EPU serves as the Parent Training and Information Center for ten Central
	(counties served:	TOLL FREE	California counties.
	Merced, Mariposa,	888-774-8981	Camerina Courties.
	Madera, Fresno, San		
	Benito, Kern, Kings,		
	Monterey, Stanislaus, &		
San	Tulare) Support for Families of	Phone: 415-	Phone Line and Drop-In Center.
Francisco	Children with	920-5040	Provides peer parent support and
	Disabilities		trainings/workshops.
			**Assistance is available in English,
			Spanish, Cantonese, and Mandarin.
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San Mateo	Family Resource Center at Community Gate Path	Phone: 650- 259-0189	Provides parent-to-parent support and referral services to families of children with special needs and disabilities.
	Parents Helping Parents (PHP) (counties served: Santa Cruz, Santa Clara, San Mateo, and San Joaquin)	Phone: 408- 727-5775 or TOLL FREE at 800-578-4040	PHP Provides Special Education Training and Information for parents