

# About TALS



## What is TALS?

The Tennessee Alliance for Legal Services (TALS) is a statewide nonprofit organization committed to:

- Empowering its constituencies, especially those in need
- Providing visionary and effective leadership
- Serving the public interest by improving access to civil legal assistance
- Promoting and modeling diversity and inclusiveness
- Advocating for justice for those in need
- Advancing collaboration and building consensus among providers of legal services for the common good

## Our Vision

Equal Access to Justice in Tennessee

## Our Mission

TALS strengthens the delivery of civil legal help to vulnerable Tennesseans. We do this by:

- Simplifying the search for civil legal help
- Being a leading and unifying voice
- Establishing a center for innovation, training, and expertise

## Who We Serve

Facts about Tennesseans with low-income who are served by legal aid services:

- 6 out of 10 households who experienced at least one civil legal problem took some action to resolve the problem.
- Problems with medical bills or health insurance was the most frequently reported problem in 2014
- Affording a place live was the most frequently reported civil legal problem for respondents under 30 years old
- 60% of people reported having access to the internet

[Report from the Statewide Comprehensive Legal Needs Survey for 2014, UT SWORPS.](#)

## Board of Directors

The TALS' board of directors comprises a broad spectrum of individuals throughout the legal community. The board has included representatives from various Tennessee bar associations, the Tennessee Bar Foundation, federally-funded legal aid organizations, other public interest organizations, law schools, legal clinics, and the private bar.

[Click here to see the TALS Board of Directors](#)

## Staff

The TALS staff provides coordination, support, advocacy, training opportunities, communications, resource development and other services to implement the mission and priorities of the alliance. See staff contact information below.

[Click here to meet the TALS staff.](#)

## Location

TALS' Office is located in the metro-center area of Nashville, Tennessee. Our office does not provide legal representation, so we do not see clients on-site. All others may call to make an appointment during office hours.

## Office Hours

Monday through Friday: 8:30am - 4:30pm

*Due to our small staff size, please [make an appointment directly with the staff member](#) with whom you wish to meet.*

## Address

Tennessee Alliance for Legal Services  
50 Vantage Way, Suite 250  
Nashville, TN 37228

## Phone, Fax, & Agency Email

Phone: 615-775-9684 | Fax: 615-627-0964 | Free Legal Helpline: 1-844-HELP4TN

## Historical Overview

TALS continues to be a leader in the access the justice community. TALS drives change and improvement in legal services delivery by leveraging partnerships – new and old.

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## Access to Justice Awards

Each year at the annual [Equal Justice University](#) conference, TALS presents three awards to individuals from Tennessee's equal justice community.

[Read more about the Access to Justice Awards here.](#)

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