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Senior Center Outreach Unit

General Information: For more than two decades, Bet Tzedek Legal Services has comprehensively served the legal needs of low-income seniors in Los Angeles. Due to our expertise, Bet Tzedek is the exclusive provider of free legal services to low-income seniors through contracts with the City and County of Los Angeles. Our senior center outreach team currently meets with clients at more than 30 multi-purpose senior centers throughout Los Angeles County. Seniors receive free legal services and representation on a broad range of issues, including housing, consumer fraud, Social Security and other public benefits, caregiver issues, nursing home issues, wills, bankruptcy, Medi-Care/Medi-Cal issues, In-Home Supportive Services, home equity fraud, and powers of attorney for health care.

Minimum Time Commitment: At least one full day a week (seven hours) for a minimum of ten weeks. While not required, volunteers are encouraged to volunteer up to 3 days a week. Volunteers will primarily work from our Fairfax office but may be required to assist with client intake at our partner senior centers, located throughout Los Angeles County.

Qualifications: Volunteers must be attorneys, paralegals, paralegal students, or law school students/graduates (or planning to go to law school). Volunteers must be able to communicate clearly with elderly clients. Spanish language skills are highly preferred, but not required. Public speaking experience is also strongly preferred.

Responsibilities: Through an outreach intake process at multi-purpose senior centers, the volunteer will interview new clients, conduct legal research, and factual investigation on behalf of elderly, indigent and disabled clients.

Location:

FAIRFAX OFFICE

145 S. Fairfax Ave. Suite 200

Los Angeles, CA 90036

Located across from the Farmer's Market and the Grove on Fairfax Avenue and 3rd Street.

Position Open To:

- ✓ Attorneys
- ✓ Paralegals and paralegal students
- ✓ Law students