

A message from the YWCA

We have an opportunity to provide some really useful legal help to our clients and their families!

Did you know that you don't have to be convicted to have a criminal record? Did you know that many VICTIMS of domestic violence have records because police often arrest everyone at the scene? One arrest creates a criminal record, even if charges are dropped or never even filed. Criminal records can be a barrier to employment, housing, and economic empowerment. Helping our clients overcome this barrier is such important work.

The YWCA is working with Cabrini Green Legal Aid to assist our clients in getting their criminal records sealed or expunged. We promised CGLA 100 referrals. We need all hands on deck to reach this number.

You may already know someone who can benefit from this program. If not, while you're meeting with clients, could you mention this new partnership and ask if your client knows anyone who could benefit from it? You don't need to ask for any details! If they say yes, simply refer them to Shquestra Sitawi on our EE Team. We will take it from there!

We may not be able to help everyone. Certain records cannot be sealed or expunged. And CGLA can only expunge records in Chicago and Cook County. But don't let that be a barrier to you referring them. Just refer them to us. We will do the rest!

THANK YOU for your help! We truly believe this partnership can make a difference for our clients and their families.

Sincerely, The EE Team

PS, if you or someone in your family could benefit from this service, we can help you too!!

Princess will be your contact person here at PMC if you have any questions or want to make referrals to Shquestra. Please see the enclosed flyer.

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