



**Law Center *for*
Better Housing**



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Chicago Evictions Town Hall: April 30th
Annual Fall Benefit: October 16th



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Dear Friend,

The Law Center for Better Housing (LCBH) relentlessly advocates for renters in and outside of eviction court to ensure more families can achieve their housing goals.

LCBH has many exciting opportunities for law firms and businesses to make an impact on the lives of Chicago's low- and moderate-income renters in 2025. When you sponsor LCBH, you help ensure more renters have access to justice and understand their rights. Our event sponsors get exposure to a diverse audience of non-profit leaders, attorneys from Chicago's leading law firms, government officials, and other affordable housing advocates.

Our **2025 Chicago Evictions Town Hall** is set for April 30th, 2025. Last year, more than 300 people registered to attend, including members of the Illinois House of Representatives and Chicago City Council. In 2025, we hope to reach an even bigger crowd as we explore the connection between eviction and homelessness with leading housing advocates and homelessness experts. You can learn more here.

On October 16th, you can join us in celebrating LCBH's 45th Anniversary during our **2025 Fall Benefit** at Buddy Guy's Legends. This year, we're recognizing the people who laid the groundwork for our organization's continued success, like LCBH's Co-Founder and former Cook County Clerk, David Orr, who will receive the 2024 Barbara Grau Outstanding Housing Advocate Award. In 1980, David started LCBH to help remedy rampant building conditions issues in his ward. Building on his vision, we've grown to reach renters throughout Chicago and Cook County, including nearly 20,000 households in 2024.

LCBH will also recognize Sherill Frost-Brown, a founding member of LCBH's staff, with the Sharon L. King Distinguished Alumni Award on October 16th. Sherrill worked closely with David and Barbara Grau, LCBH's first full-time staff attorney, in the '80s on renters' issues. Since then, she's continued advocating for renters' rights, including in her current role at the National Fair Housing Alliance.

Stay tuned for more information on all our esteemed award winners soon.

The following pages give more information about ways to get involved as a donor. We can't wait to hear from you.

Sincerely,

Mark Swartz, *Executive Director*

Geoffrey Cockrell, *Board Chair*

Standing For Renters' Rights



About Law Center for Better Housing

LCBH is the only legal aid nonprofit in Chicago that focuses solely on housing justice issues. With your support, we preserve affordable housing, expand renters' rights, and prevent homelessness.

OUR IMPACT



LCBH is the only Chicago-based legal aid nonprofit that works exclusively with renters. Using a combination of technology, legal advice, and supportive services, we keep more renters housed.

In 2024, LCBH's direct and virtual services helped nearly 20,000 households in 77 Chicago community areas and throughout suburban Cook County at every phase of the eviction process.

To meet the growing demand for our services and limit barriers to renters' future housing, we remedy housing issues before an eviction is filed. Rentervention, our free online chatbot, helped more than 15,000 renters identify problems in their units, draft letters to their landlords, and learn more about their rights last year, enabling our staff attorneys to focus on renters with more complex legal matters.

When you sponsor LCBH, you join us in leading the charge to make Chicago's eviction process more equitable. Inside eviction court, LCBH serves renters through the Cook County Early Resolution Program (ERP) and the Right to Counsel Pilot Program (RTC). What used to be a last resort before displacement, now serves as a venue with resources like free legal aid and emergency rental assistance to help renters avoid homelessness and make landlords whole. LCBH continues to advocate for permanent RTC funding, so more renters have the support they need to achieve their housing goals.

As our partner, you strengthen our ability to reach households in communities with high eviction rates and support initiatives that relentlessly advocate for people at risk of homelessness. Working together, we can make Chicago more equitable.

2024 Impact

3,685

Eviction Cases Closed

85%

Avoided Eviction Judgment

9,778

People Helped

\$4,594,357

Renter Financial Benefits

76%

Clients Earning Below \$40k

970

Eviction Records Sealed



Power LCBH's Work

Your support makes these types of services possible.

\$20,000 | Help 20 households in court avoid an eviction order

\$15,000 | Connect 15 families with emergency rental assistance and other vital supportive services

\$10,000 | Train 10 volunteers to help renters at in-person and virtual legal clinics

\$5,000 | Lead 10 workshops for community partners on renters' rights

Ways to Give:

- Donate online at www.lcbh.org/donate, or by scanning the QR Code
- Mail a check to LCBH:
Law Center for Better Housing c/o Allen Hailey
100 N. LaSalle Street, Suite #2500 Chicago, IL 60602
- Enclose a check with this packet:



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LCBH's Recognition of Your Valued Partnership:



LCBH Digital Marketing

LCBH recognizes sponsors on our website, social media channels and e-newsletters. Examples include feature stories in the "LCBH Scoop" e-newsletter.



LCBH Print Materials

LCBH acknowledges sponsors in our print materials. Examples include the donor list in our annual Gratitude Report and logo placement in day-of-event materials.



LCBH Event Tickets

Sponsors receive complimentary tickets to LCBH events, like our annual Fall Benefit at Buddy Guy's Legends.

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