

## California Public Defender Websites

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California has 58 counties. Most have public defenders, but many do not. Some public defense is through contract attorneys paid by the county. The degree of help available is highly variable. We provide the first steps toward obtaining help in your specific county.

In 13 counties, expungement is done for the county through “Clear My Record” (CMR) at: <https://clearmyrecord.codeforamerica.org>

COUNTY	Contacts for public defender and other help
<b>Alameda</b>	<b>CMR</b>
Alpine	Independent counsel c/o Superior Court 14777 SR 89 Markleevielle 96102 530-694-2113
Amador	Richard Ciummo & Associates 201 Clinton Road, Suite 202 Jackson 95642 209-223-0877
Butte	Law Consortium. Cannot provide legal advice but can guide you to your previous or available contract public defender. 530-345-1647  Community Legal Information Center 25 Main St., #102 Chico 95928 530-898-4354 Can help guide you
Calaveras	Richard Ciummo & Associates 692 B Marshall Street PO Box 75 San Andreas CA 95249 209-754-4321
Colusa	Public Defenders: Albert Smith 530-458-8801 Sukhraj Pamma 530-492-2380
Contra Costa	<b>CMR</b>
Del Norte	Self-Help Center – Law Library 450 H Street Crescent City 95531 707-464-8115 M-F 8am-5pm with assistant present W, Th, Fr.

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El Dorado	Public Defender Shingle Springs office 3976 Durock Rd., Suite 104 Shingle Sprains 95682 530-621-6440
El Dorado (con't)	South Lake Tahoe Office 1360 Jackson Blvd. #106 South Lake Tahoe 96150 530-573-3115
Fresno	<b>CMR</b>
Glenn	Contract public defenders: David Howard 530-934-0123 Jesus Rodriguez 530-680-1894 Matt Smith 530-656-8529 Geoff Dulebohn 530-342-2889
Humboldt	Public Defender 1001 4 <sup>th</sup> Street (Corner of 4 <sup>th</sup> and K streets) Eureka 95501 707-445-7634 M-Th, 8:30-noon, 1:00-5:00
Imperial	Imperial County Public Defender 895 Broadway El Centro 92243 442-265-17095 Monday-Friday 8:00am-noon, 1:00pm-4:00pm
Inyo	Public Defenders Sopie Bidet 760-920-6120 Elizabeth corpora 760-872-8226 Kristine Eisler 760-582-2120 Josh Hillemeier 760-462-5845 Stephen Place 760-873-8711
Kern	Law Office of Public Defender 1315 Truxtun Avenue Bakersfield 93301 661-868-4799 email: <a href="mailto:pubdef-web@kerncounty.com">pubdef-web@kerncounty.com</a> Mon-Fri – 8:00am-noon, 1:00-5:00p

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Kings	<p>Public Defender – not readily accessible            Contact Kings County Superior Court            1640 Kings County Drive            Hanford CA 93230            559-582-1010 x 3            You will have to leave a message and hope for a call back.            M-Th 8:00am-4:00pm, Fri 8:00-11:30 am</p>
Lake	<p>Lake Indigent Defense            825 S. Main            Lockport 95453            707-900-5177</p> <p>Start with filing the paperwork from the state site on expungement along with a financial declaration of eligibility for a public defender, and the court will appoint Lake Indigent Defense attorneys to help.</p>
Lassen	<p>Public Defender            220 S. Lassen St.#1            Susanville 96130            530-251-8312</p>
Los Angeles	<p>Web site: <a href="http://pd.co.la.ca.us">pd.co.la.ca.us</a>            There are multiple branches under “Contact Us”.            213-974-2811-Main number            213-974-2828 (Spanish)</p> <p>The Alternate Public Defender – handles expungements            See “office locations” at <a href="http://www.apd.lacounty.gov">www.apd.lacounty.gov</a> for office and phone numbers.</p>
Madera	<p>Richard Ciummo &amp; Associates            Madera Public Defender Office            221 North I Street            Madera 93637            559-674-4696</p> <p>Alternative Defense Office            3211 W Yosemite Ave., Suite 203            Madera 93638            559-661-8673</p>
Marin	<p>Office of the Public Defender            2501 Civic Center Drive, Suite 139            San Rafael 94903            415-473-6321  <a href="http://www.marincounty.org/depts/pd/contact-us">www.marincounty.org/depts/pd/contact-us</a> This site has very good information on expungement and related issues under “Clear My Record”</p>

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Mariposa	<p>Mariposa Self Help Center Now does expungements            David Haycraft            5092 Jones St., Mariposa 95338            209-742-5322            M: noon-5:00pm; T-W: CLOSED, Th: noon-5:00pm (Facilitator not available in person), F: 8:00am=4:00pm.</p>
Mendocino	<p>County Public Defender            175 S. School Street            Ukiah 95482            708-234-6950</p> <p>Coastal office            700 S. Franklin, Suite E            Fort Bragg 95437            707-964-0606</p>
Merced	<p>Public Defender            2150 M Street            Merced 95340            209-385-7692</p> <p>The Public Defender's web site on expungements:  <a href="https://www.co.merced.ca.us/903/Expungements">https://www.co.merced.ca.us/903/Expungements</a></p>
Modoc	<p>Richard Ciummo &amp; Associates            Sam Kylo            307 S. Main Street            PO Box 898            Alturas 96101            530-233-2474</p>
Mono	<p>Contract Public Defender            309 W. Line Street #C            Bishop 93514            760-873-4760  <a href="mailto:hammon52@yahoo.com">hammon52@yahoo.com</a></p>
Monterey	<p>Public Defender            111 W. Alisal Street            Salinas 93901            831-755-5058  <a href="mailto:askpubdef@co.monterey.ca.us">askpubdef@co.monterey.ca.us</a> for questions on expungement</p>
Napa	<p>Public Defender            1127 First St., Suite 265            Napa 94559            707-253-4442            M-F, 8:00am-5:00pm            Expungement: <a href="http://www.countyofnapa.org/PublicDefender/">http://www.countyofnapa.org/PublicDefender/</a> Click on "Dismissal and Expungement"</p>

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Nevada	<p>Public Defender            109 North Pine St.            Nevada City 95959            530-265-1400 M-F 8:00am-5:00pm  <a href="https://www.mynevadacounty.com/573/Public-Defender">https://www.mynevadacounty.com/573/Public-Defender</a> Click on public defender links (right side) to email questions. On left side is the link to cleaning up your record.</p>
Orange	<p>Orange County Public Defender            14 Civic Center Plaza            Santa Ana 92701            714-834-2144 M-F 8:00am-5:00pm  <a href="http://www.pubdef.ocgov.com/">http://www.pubdef.ocgov.com/</a> Click on “New Leaf” programs to see how to expunge your record, find other PD offices.</p>
Placer	<p>Public Defender – Contract Attorneys            Koukol and Associates            3785 Placer Corporate Drive, Suite 550            Rocklin 95765            916-644-1100</p>
Plumas	<p>Plumas works through its Self-Help program, located in the lobby of the Barclay Justice Building            205 S. East Street            Alturas 96101            530-233-6516            Attorney Wendy Dier is available to assist, 530-233-2008</p>
Riverside	<p>Public Defender            4200 Orange Street            Riverside 92501            961-955-6000 8:00am-5:00pm  <a href="http://publicdef.co.riverside.ca.us/opencms/index.html">http://publicdef.co.riverside.ca.us/opencms/index.html</a> See “Contact Us” for other branch offices. See Expungements links on right side of main page</p>
Sacramento	<p>Sacramento Public Defender            700 H Street, Suite 0270            Sacramento 95814            916-874-6411 M-F 8:00am-5:00pm  <a href="http://www.publicdefender.saccounty.net">www.publicdefender.saccounty.net</a> See “Frequently Asked Questions” for expungement. See “Contact Us” for public email, divisions.</p>
San Benito	<p>Public Defender – Contract            Gregory M. La Forge Law Office            339 7<sup>th</sup> Street #G            Hollister 95023            831-636-2599</p>

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San Bernardino	Public Defender Main Office 172 West 3 <sup>rd</sup> Street, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor San Bernardino 92415 909-382-3950 See <a href="http://sbpubdef.com/Locations">http://sbpubdef.com/Locations</a> for other locations. See <a href="http://sbpubdef.com/FAQ.aspx">http://sbpubdef.com/FAQ.aspx</a> and scroll down to find “Clear My Record”
San Diego	<b>CMR</b>
San Francisco	Both City and County use <b>CMR</b> to clear records
San Joaquin	Office of the Public Defender 102 South San Joaquin Street Stockton 95202 209-468-2267
San Luis Obispo	San Luis Obispo Defenders 991 Osos Street, Suite A SLO 93401 805-541-5715 M-Th, 8:30am-noon, 1:00-5:00pm, F 8:30am-noon
San Mateo	Private Defenders – San Mateo Bar Association Laura Torres at the Private Defender Program evaluates expungements 333 Bradford Street, Suite 200 Redwood City 94063 650-298-4000 M-F 8:30am-noon, 1:00-5:00pm <a href="mailto:smcounty@smcba.org">smcounty@smcba.org</a>
Santa Barbara	<b>CMR</b>
Santa Clara	<b>CMR</b>
Santa Cruz	<b>CMR</b>
Shasta	Public Defender 1815 Yuba Street Redding 96001 530-245-7598 <a href="mailto:public_defender@co.shasta.ca.us">public_defender@co.shasta.ca.us</a> <a href="https://www.co.shasta.ca.us/index/pd_index/expungements.aspx">https://www.co.shasta.ca.us/index/pd_index/expungements.aspx</a>
Sierra	Defender J. Lon Cooper PO Box 682 Nevada City 95959 530-265-4565

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Siskiyou	Public Defender's Office 322 ½ West Center Street Yreka 96097 530-842-8105 email: <a href="mailto:pd@co.siskiyou.ca.us">pd@co.siskiyou.ca.us</a>
Solano	<b>CMR</b>
Sonoma	<b>CMR</b>
Stanislaus	Public Defender 1021 I Street, Suite 201 PO Box 3428 Modesto 95353 209-525-4200 M-F 8:00am-noon, 1:00-5:00pm. <a href="http://www.stancounty.com/publicdefender/prop47.shtm">http://www.stancounty.com/publicdefender/prop47.shtm</a> This addresses only Prop. 47 expungements but is useful
Sutter	Public Defender 604 B Street, Suite 1 Yuba City 95991 530-822-7355
Tehama	Four contract defenders.  Start with SHARP program (Self-Help Assistance and Referral) 1740 Walnut Street Red Bluff 96080 530-527-8649 M, T, Th. 9:00am-3:30pm  For the specific Public Defenders' names, addresses, please call the District Attorney's office 444 Oak Street, Room L Red Bluff 96080 530-527-3053 M-F 8:00am-5:00pm
Trinity	Trinity does not have a public defender. To access an appointee, see Trinity Superior Court Court Services Department 11 Court Street Weaverville 96093 530-623-1208 (M-F 8:00am-5:00-m  The Self Help Center is in room 108, available by appointment only and by type of issue. 530-623-5841 They may not do expungements.

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Tulare	<p>Public Defender 221 S. Mooney Blvd. Visalia 93291 559-636-4500</p> <p>Porterville Office 633 N. Westwood Porterville 93257 559-782-6960</p> <p><a href="http://tularecountypublicdefender.com/publicdefender/">http://tularecountypublicdefender.com/publicdefender/</a> For expungement, click on “Services” then “Adult Services” then “Record Expungement Information”</p>
Tuolumne	<p>Public Defender 99 N. Washington Street Sonora 95370 209-533-6370 M-F 8:00am-noon, 1:00-5:00pm</p>
Ventura	<b>CMR</b>
Yolo	<b>CMR</b>
Yuba	<p>Yuba Public Defenders 303 6<sup>th</sup> Street Marysville 95901 530-741-2331</p>

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