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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](https://clearmyrecord.codeforamerica.org)

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<td>El Dorado (con’t)</td>
<td>South Lake Tahoe Office&lt;br&gt;1360 Jackson Blvd. #106&lt;br&gt;South Lake Tahoe 96150&lt;br&gt;530-573-3115</td>
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<td>Contract public defenders:&lt;br&gt;David Howard 530-934-0123&lt;br&gt;Jesus Rodriguez 530-680-1894&lt;br&gt;Matt Smith 530-656-8529&lt;br&gt;Geoff Dulebohn 530-342-2889</td>
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<td>Inyo</td>
<td>Public Defenders&lt;br&gt;Sopie Bidet 760-920-6120&lt;br&gt;Elizabeth corpora 760-872-8226&lt;br&gt;Kristine Eisler 760-582-2120&lt;br&gt;Josh Hillemeier 760-462-5845&lt;br&gt;Stephen Place 760-873-8711</td>
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<td>Law Office of Public Defender&lt;br&gt;1315 Truxtun Avenue&lt;br&gt;Bakersfield 93301&lt;br&gt;661-868-4799&lt;br&gt;email: <a href="mailto:pubdef-web@kerncounty.com">pubdef-web@kerncounty.com</a>&lt;br&gt;Mon-Fri – 8:00am-noon, 1:00-5:00p</td>
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| Kings         | 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 |
| Lake          | Lake Indigent Defense  
825 S. Main  
Lockport 95453  
707-900-5177  
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. |
| Lassen        | Public Defender  
220 S. Lassen St.#1  
Susanvville 96130  
530-251-8312 |
| Los Angeles   | Web site: pd.co.la.ca.us  
There are multiple branches under “Contact Us”.  
213-974-2811-Main number  
213-974-2828 (Spanish)  
The Alternate Public Defender – handles expungements  
See “office locations” at www.apd.lacounty.gov for office and phone numbers. |
| Madera        | Richard Ciummo & Associates  
Madera Public Defender Office  
221 North I Street  
Madera 93637  
559-674-4696  
Alternative Defense Office  
3211 W Yosemite Ave., Suite 203  
Madera 93638  
559-661-8673 |
| Marin         | Office of the Public Defender  
2501 Civic Center Drive, Suite 139  
San Rafael 94903  
415-473-6321  
www.marincounty.org/depts/pd/contact-us  
This site has very good information on expungement and related issues under “Clear My Record” |
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| Mariposa | 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. |
| Mendocino | County Public Defender  
175 S. School Street  
Ukiah 95482  
708-234-6950  
Coastal office  
700 S. Franklin, Suite E  
Fort Bragg  95437  
707-964-0606 |
| Merced | Public Defender  
2150 M Street  
Merced 95340  
209-385-7692  
The Public Defender's web site on expungements:  
[https://www.co.merced.ca.us/903/Expungements](https://www.co.merced.ca.us/903/Expungements) |
| Modoc | Richard Ciummo & Associates  
Sam Kyllo  
307 S. Main Street  
PO Box 898  
Alturas  96101  
530-233-2474 |
| Mono | Contract Public Defender  
309 W. Line Street #C  
Bishop  93514  
760-873-4760  
hammon52@yahoo.com |
| Monterey | Public Defender  
111 W. Alisal Street  
Salinas  93901  
831-755-5058  
[askpubdef@co.monterey.ca.us](mailto:askpubdef@co.monterey.ca.us)  for questions on expungement |
| Napa | Public Defender  
1127 First St., Suite 265  
Napa  94559  
707-253-4442  
M-F,  8:00am-5:00pm  
Expungement:  [http://www.countyofnapa.org/PublicDefender/](http://www.countyofnapa.org/PublicDefender/)  Click on “Dismissal and Expungement” |
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109 North Pine St.  
Nevada City  95959  
530-265-1400  M-F 8:00am-5:00pm  
https://www.mynevadacounty.com/573/Public-Defender  
Click on public defender links (right side) to email questions. On left side is the link to cleaning up your record. |
| Orange | Orange County Public Defender  
14 Civic Center Plaza  
Santa Ana  92701  
714-834-2144  M-F 8:00am-5:00pm  
http://www.pubdef.ocgov.com/  
Click on “New Leaf” programs to see how to expunge your record, find other PD offices. |
| Placer | Public Defender – Contract Attorneys  
Koukol and Associates  
3785 Placer Corporate Drive, Suite 550  
Rocklin  95765  
916-644-1100 |
| Plumas | 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 |
| Riverside | Public Defender  
4200 Orange Street  
Riverside  92501  
961-955-6000  8:00am-5:00pm  
http://publicdef.co.riverside.ca.us/opencms/index.html  
See “Contact Us” for other branch offices. See Expungements links on right side of main page |
| Sacramento | Sacramento Public Defender  
700 H Street, Suite 0270  
Sacramento  95814  
916-874-6411  M-F 8:00am-5:00pm  
www.publicdefender.saccounty.net  
See “Frequently Asked Questions” for expungement. See “Contact Us” for public email, divisions. |
| San Benito | Public Defender – Contract  
Gregory M. La Forge Law Office  
339 7th Street #G  
Hollister  95023  
831-636-2599 |
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| San Bernardino | Public Defender Main Office  
172 West 3rd Street, 2nd Floor  
San Bernardino 92415  
909-382-3950  
See [http://sbpubdef.com/Locations](http://sbpubdef.com/Locations) for other locations.  
See [http://sbpubdef.com/FAQ.aspx](http://sbpubdef.com/FAQ.aspx) and scroll down to find “Clear My Record” |
| San Diego   | CMR |
| San Francisco | Both City and County use CMR 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  
[smcounty@smcba.org](mailto:smcounty@smcba.org) |
| Santa Barbara | CMR |
| Santa Clara | CMR |
| Santa Cruz | CMR |
| Shasta | Public Defender  
1815 Yuba Street  
Redding 96001  
530-245-7598  
[public_defender@co.shasta.ca.us](mailto:public_defender@co.shasta.ca.us)  
[https://www.co.shasta.ca.us/index/pd_index/expungements.aspx](https://www.co.shasta.ca.us/index/pd_index/expungements.aspx) |
| 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: pd@co.siskiyou.ca.us |
| Solano  | CMR |
| Sonoma  | CMR |
| 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.  
[http://www.stancounty.com/publicdefender/prop47.shtm](http://www.stancounty.com/publicdefender/prop47.shtm)  
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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|         | 221 S. Mooney Blvd.  
|         | Visalia 93291  
|         | 559-636-4500  
|         | Porterville Office  
|         | 633 N. Westwood  
|         | Porterville 93257  
|         | 559-782-6960  
|         | http://tularecountypublicdefender.com/publicdefender/ For expungement, click on “Services” then “Adult Services” then “Record Expungement Information” |
| Tuolumne| Public Defender  
|         | 99 N. Washington Street  
|         | Sonora 95370  
|         | 209-533-6370 M-F 8:00am-noon, 1:00-5:00pm |
| Ventura | CMR |
| Yolo    | CMR |
| Yuba    | Yuba Public Defenders  
|         | 303 6th Street  
|         | Marysville 95901  
|         | 530-741-2331 |

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