

**LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY**  
**Cleveland City Council**

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<b>Ordinance No.</b>	664-2025
<b>Legislative Purpose</b>	Authorizing the Director of Community Development to enter into one or more agreements with The Legal Aid Society of Cleveland, as the lead partner organization, to implement a program to provide access to legal services for covered individuals in eviction proceedings under Cleveland Codified Ordinance Section 375.12, Legal Representation in Housing Court. Authorizing the Director of Community Development to contract to implement, and expend approved budgeted monies provided by the City of Cleveland general fund, for the purpose of securing and paying for professional legal services and representation for low-income tenants facing eviction proceedings. That the costs of said agreements shall not exceed \$750,000.
<b>Project Purpose</b>	This legislation ensures ongoing access to legal services for certain low-income tenants who face housing instability. The Department of Community Development will work in conjunction with The Legal Aid Society of Cleveland to provide the legal services. The Legal Aid Society of Cleveland will lead the program, and will contract with The Legal Aid Society of Cleveland to provide the legal services. Legal Aid will provide access to legal representation by its experienced staff, pro bona attorneys, and other subcontracted entities.
<b>Grantee</b>	Legal Aid Society
<b>Amount</b>	\$750,000
<b>Funding Source</b>	General Fund