

ANNUAL REPORT

Fiscal Year 2024

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Overview

The Clark County Law Library was created in 1923 by the enactment of Ordinance #1 and is statutorily mandated by NRS 380. The Law Library provides free access to legal resources to the residents of Southern Nevada and is open to the public. We are funded by a portion of District Civil Court filing fees along with a small portion of Justice Court filing fees, circulation dues, court-ordered contributions, and photocopy usage.

The Law Library is governed by a seven-member Board of Trustees currently composed of three District Court judges (appointed by the Chief Judge), one attorney and three non-attorneys (appointed by the Clark County Board of Commissioners), all of whom serve without compensation. The Clark County Law Library Board of Trustees is committed to public service through the free legal information resources made available to every resident in Clark County.

Regular operating hours for the Clark County Law Library are Monday – Thursday, 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

VISION STATEMENT

To facilitate access to justice through access to information.

MISSION STATEMENT

To provide equal access to legal information and resources in order to assist with the legal research needs of all law library patrons.



Board of Trustees

Member	Current Term of Office
Tamara Beatty-Peterson President	January 1, 2023 - December 31, 2024
Karen Byrd Secretary	January 1, 2024– December 31, 2025
Hon. Joanna S. Kishner	January 1, 2024 – December 31, 2025
Hon. Vincent Ochoa	January 1, 2024 – December 31, 2025
Hon. Jerry A. Wiese II	January 1, 2024 – December 31, 2025
Barbara Wagner	January 1, 2023 – December 31, 2024
Jennifer Green	January 1, 2024 – December 31, 2025

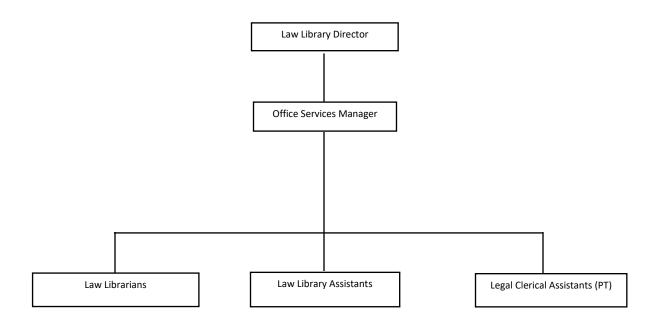
NRS 380.020 Government and management of law library; number, appointment and terms of members.

- 1. Any law library established by ordinance as provided by subsection 1 of NRS 380.010 must be governed and managed by a board of law library trustees.
- 2. A board of law library trustees must consist of not less than five nor more than seven members. The district judge of the judicial district in which the county is situated or, if the district has more than one district judge, a maximum of three district judges designated by all the judges of the district from among their number, are ex officio trustees. The board of county commissioners shall appoint a sufficient number of trustees to complete the board, including at least two who are not attorneys at law.
- 3. Appointive members of the board must be appointed by the board of county commissioners at the first meeting of the board of county commissioners in each January, to serve for terms of 2 years. As nearly as may be, half of the terms must expire each year.

[3:250:1913; 1919 RL p. 2707; NCL § 2252] + [4:250:1913; 1919 RL p. 2707; NCL § 2253]—(NRS A 1965, 223; 1969, 787; 1981, 1003; 1983, 339)

Organizational Chart

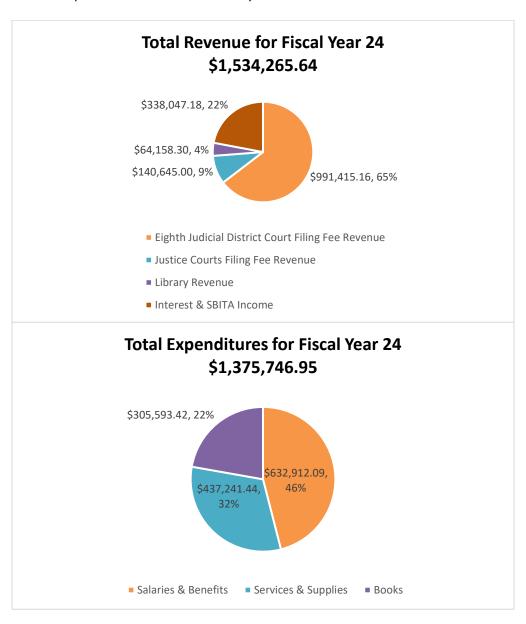
CLARK COUNTY LAW LIBRARY



In Fiscal Year 2024, the Law Library staff consisted of a Director, an Office Services Manager, three Law Librarians, one Law Library Assistant, and one part-time Legal Clerical Assistant.

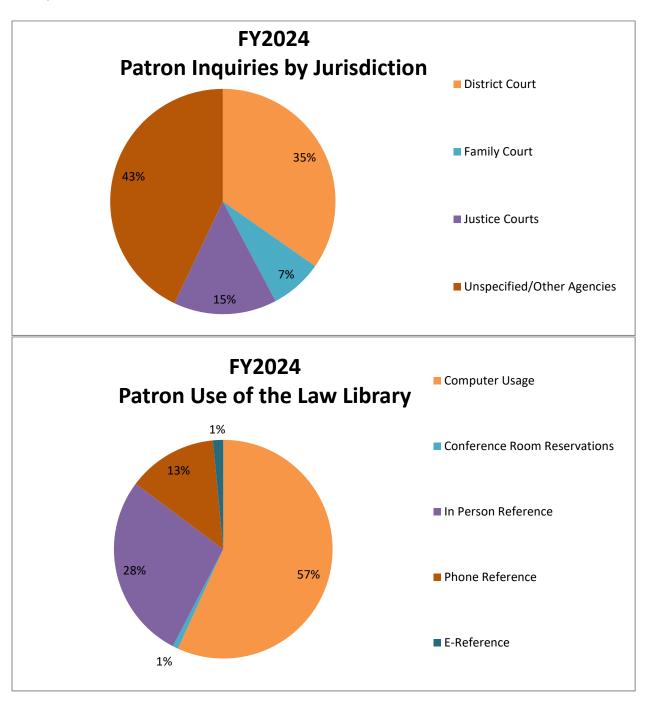
Unaudited Revenue/Expenditures

The primary source of funding for the Clark County Law Library comes from a portion of selected Eighth Judicial District Court civil filings as stated in Clark County Code 18.08.030(1) in the amount of \$30 per civil action. Additionally, we receive a small portion of selected Justice Court civil filings as stated in Clark County Code 18.08.030(2) in the amount of \$3 per selected civil action. Approximately 74% of the Law Library's revenue was derived from both District Court civil filing fees, which totaled \$991,415.16, and Justice Court civil filing fees in the amount of \$140,625.00 in Fiscal Year 2024. Other revenue is derived from library revenue, which includes circulation fees, fines, court-ordered sanctions, donations, and photocopies. Interest income is also included as a revenue source. Below is an unaudited summary of both revenue and expenditures for the Law Library in Fiscal Year 2024.



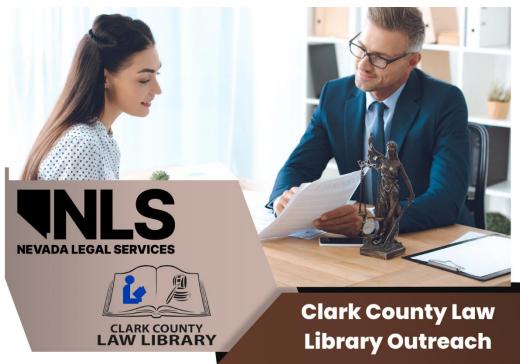
Reference Statistics

Law Library staff answered 2,209 reference questions in person, over the phone, and via email in Fiscal Year 2024. Approximately 97% of the patrons assisted in FY24 were members of the general public, with only 3% being legal professionals. Patrons signed up for 2,962 computer sessions during this time. Our gate count indicated that approximately 21,585 individuals entered and exited the law library during the fiscal year.



Community Outreach

The Clark County Law Library partnered with Nevada Legal Services to host outreach sessions at the Law Library beginning in November 2022. We completed 11 sessions in Fiscal Year 2024, during which representatives from Nevada Legal Services conducted intakes to assist individuals with various legal issues such as name changes, estate planning, family law, and bankruptcy.



Nevada Legal Services will be on-site at the Clark County Law Library conducting interviews to determine income eligibility for a free 30 minute phone consultation with an attorney. Those who qualify will be scheduled for an appointment for the consultation.

Our Services:

- ✓ Chapter 7 Bankruptcy
- √ Family Law
- ✓ Estate Planning/Probate
- √ Name Changes

Outreach Dates & Time:

Wednesday, January 24th Wednesday, February 21st Wednesday, March 20th Wednesday, April 17th Wednesday, May 22nd Tuesday, June 18th

1:00 pm - 3:30 pm

For more information:

Yancy Meza 702-386-0404, ext. 170 or Candy Rivera 702-386-0404, ext. 130

(Please note that we do not advise on criminal matters)

www.NevadaLegalServices.org

Law Library staff also participated in various community events throughout the year, including:









Commissioner Segerblom



Pro Bono Celebration Week Ask-A-Lawyer Event

Legal Aid Center of Southern Nevada is teaming up with Commissioner Segerblom, local volunteer lawyers, Department of Family Services, Clark County Public Defender, Clark County Law Library, Mexico Consulate, Nevada Legal Services, and Southern Nevada Senior Law Program to provide **FREE 15-30 minute** consultations to those who cannot afford legal services. Get answers to your questions in all of our practice areas.

- Adoption
- Auto Repairs
- · Auto Sales/ Leasing
- Bankruptcy
- Child Support
- Criminal Defense
- Criminal Record Sealing
- Debt Collection
- Divorce/Custody
- Estate Planning
- Evictions
- ForeclosureGuardianship
- Housing
- Immigration (VAWA/U-Visa or
 - Deferred Action)
 - Landlord/Tenant

• Illegal Towing

- Payday Loans
- Probate
- Public Benefits
- Senior Estate Planning
- Senior Health Care
- Small Claims
- Social Security
- Special Education
- Temporary Protection Order
- Unemployment

Tuesday, October 24, 2023 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Parkdale Recreation Center 3200 Ferndale St., Las Vegas, NV 89121

Register online at <u>www.lacsn.org/celebrate</u> or call (702) 386-1070 Ext. 1421. Please choose a legal topic at time of registration so we can match you with a pro bono attorney who practices in that area of law.

For information about all legal services offered by Legal Aid Center of Southern Nevada, visit www.lacsn.org













COMMUNITY COMMONS

4311 N Washington Blvd, Ste 101, Nellis AFB, NV 89191

1 MAY 2024

10:00 AM TO 12:00 PM

BASE PARTICIPANTS

Nellis Legal Office Creech Legal Office Community Outreach Partners Nellis Voter Registration Security Forces Fire Department Family Readiness Victims Counsel

VOLUNTEERS FROM

Clark County Bar Association
Clark County Law Library
Nevada Legal Service
Legal Aid Center of Southern Nevada
Attorney General's Office of Nevada
Military Legal Assistance
Southern Nevada Senior Program
UNLV Law School
Las Vegas Metro Police Department



Friday, June 28, 2024

8:00 am - 4:00 pm

World Market Center

475 South Grand Central Parkway Las Vegas, NV 89106

Employment Services

Homeless Prevention Services

Transportation will be provided at various locations throughout the valley

PREREGISTRATION IS NOT REQUIRED FOR ADMISSION

- Housing Assistance
- · Homeless Prevention
- · Hiring Fair
- Employment Assistance
- VA Benefits
- VA Enrollment
- VA Medical
- VA Mental Health
- Las Vegas Municipal Court

- · Public Health
- Treatment/Counseling
- Military Records
- Social Security
- Pet Assistance
- Showers
- Haircuts
- Clothing
- Food

- North Las Vegas Municipal Court
- · Las Vegas Justice Court
- Henderson Municipal Court
- Legal Assitance
- Child Support Assistance
- Dental Referral
- Medical Care
- Vision Screening
- Family Services

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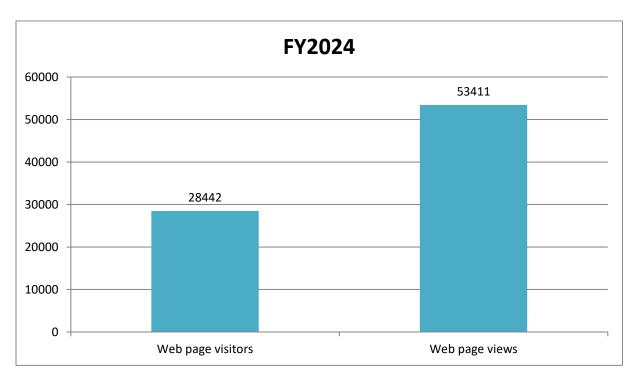


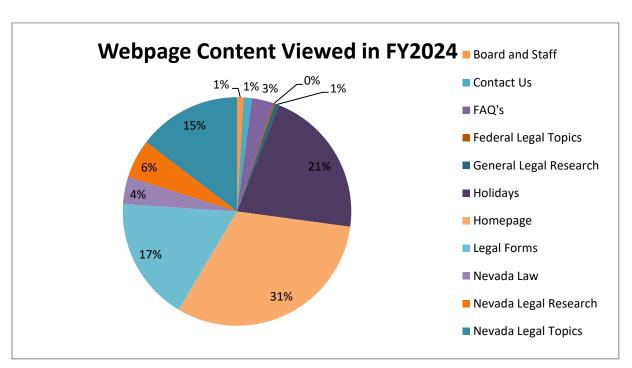
SERVICE PROVIDERS & VOLUNTEER SIGNUP



Internet/Webpage Statistics

Internet/Webpage Usage





Circulation Statistics

Circulation of Law Library material is limited to active members of the Nevada State Bar, judicial staff, and governmental agencies that have a valid circulation card and are in good standing with the Law Library.

To obtain a circulation card, an individual must fill out a Borrower Registration Card, either in person at the Law Library or on the Law Library's website at www.ClarkCountyNV.Gov/LawLibrary. Along with the registration card, there is a one-time \$50.00 registration fee. The circulation card is then valid for one year from the date of purchase and can be renewed annually for \$30.00 each year thereafter.

In Fiscal Year 2024, we circulated 66 materials, with 89 circulation period renewals. Two attorneys signed up for a new circulation card and 13 attorneys renewed their circulation card.

Library Collection

The Clark County Law Library has a total of 175,610 physical materials in its collection, including books, microfilm, and audio/video/other media. In addition to print materials, the Law Library offers free usage of hundreds of thousands of legal resources through its database subscriptions from Lexis Advance, Westlaw Next, M-Law, HeinOnline and Trellis.

Lexis Advance and Westlaw Next are great for researching caselaw, statutes, court rules and select secondary materials. Trellis is best for researching local court cases and judge analytics. M-Law is good for researching family law matters and includes a child support calculator. And HeinOnline is used for researching law journals and special collections on a variety of topics.

The Law Library also now has 1,354 volumes in its Lexis Digital Library. 4 volumes from the collection are currently in "lost" status.

Donations

The Law Library received donations of books and monetary gifts in FY2024. These donations include:

- \$1,039 in monetary gifts
- 27 volumes of books

Generous donations such as these assist the Law Library in its mission to provide access to the most recent precedents and the best available commentary regarding legal issues.

Comments from Our Patrons

To better serve our patrons, comment cards are available for the public to indicate whether they were able to find what they were looking for during their visit, rate the friendliness of Law Library staff, and leave a comment or suggestion. We also review comments from our social media, Google Reviews, Yelp Reviews, and other online sources for feedback.

The following are comments received during Fiscal Year 2024:

- "The staff here are awesome."
- "The attendant was remarkable and knowledgeable on the material I needed."
- "She did a great job, over and beyond. Give her 5 stars."
- "Staff was great friendly, helpful, and on point."
- Five stars from Anthony L. on Google Reviews:

"I was looking for a certified true copy of an NRS document. Staff went (out) of his way to assist me and directed me to the LCB office."

Social Media

Facebook is used to promote workshops, seminars and Law Library news and notes. Like and follow our page at https://www.facebook.com/CCLawLib

X, formerly known as Twitter, is used to promote workshops, seminars and Law Library news and notes. Follow us @NVlawlib

YouTube is used to promote workshops and seminars held at the Clark County Law Library. Find our videos on the Clark County, NV channel

https://www.youtube.com/@ClarkCountyNV