

Housing Safety & Justice (HSJ) at Family Violence Appellate Project

HSJ'S MISSION



To ensure survivors and their advocates can access housing rights that are tailored to survivors' needs and allows survivors to keep or obtain safe and stable housing. HSJ aims to achieve its mission through systemic advocacy and a wide range of legal support to advocates and attorneys.



WRITTEN LEGAL TOOLS

HSJ creates written legal tools to help survivors of gender-based violence and their advocates understand and assert survivors' housing rights. HSJ has dozens of information sheets and template letters survivors can use with or without their advocates to keep or obtain safe and stable housing.



TRAINING

HSJ trains survivors of gender-based violence and their advocates, attorneys and other service providers on housing laws. HSJ provides trainings on many laws that affect survivors' housing and focuses its trainings on how laws can help survivors keep or obtain safe and stable housing.

DIRECT LEGAL SUPPORT

HSJ provides free on-call legal support to California advocates and attorneys when they advocate for the housing rights of survivors of gender-based violence. HSJ also provides free representation to survivors appealing eviction judgments and other housing cases.



SYSTEMATIC ADVOCACY



HSJ engages in systematic advocacy, such as legislative and administrative advocacy, to strengthens laws and regulations that help survivors keep and obtain safe and stable housing. HSJ's systematic advocacy has strengthen California's housing laws, allowing more survivors to avoid eviction and escape abuse.

