

## How SHARP Can Help You

SHARP staff provides assistance with legal forms and explains court procedures and the law so you can make informed decisions. SHARP staff includes Spanish speaking legal assistants. If SHARP staff cannot help, they will try to refer you to another agency.

### You are Your Own Attorney

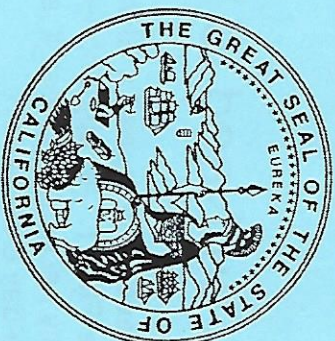
SHARP can help you if you are or will be representing yourself in a court case. SHARP staff won't act as your lawyer. The SHARP staff and Family Law Facilitator are not allowed to give legal advice, and no confidential relationship exists. They are available to provide impartial assistance to both or all parties.

### The Family Law Facilitator

The Family Law Facilitator is an attorney who can provide more in-depth services in family matters:

- Provide assistance with child custody cases and issues;
- Prepare support payment schedules based on legal guidelines;
- Provide information to parents about how to establish parentage and to establish, modify and enforce child and spousal support.

**The FLF will not act as your attorney.**



### SHARP Locations

#### Oroville:

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Oroville, CA 95965  
Phone: (530) 532-7015

#### Chico:

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Chico, CA 95928  
Phone: (530) 532-7024

#### Red Bluff:

1740 Walnut St.  
Red Bluff, CA 96080  
Phone: (530) 527-8649

#### Clearlake:

7000A South Center Dr.  
Clearlake, CA 95422  
(707) 994-6598 Ext 3

You may also email your questions to SHARP at: [AskSHARP@buttecourt.ca.gov](mailto:AskSHARP@buttecourt.ca.gov)

### Family Law Facilitators

Butte County and Lake County

Melanie Snider

530-532-7004

Tehama County

530-529-6116

# SHARP

## Self Help Assistance & Referral Program

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## Office of the Family Law Facilitator

### A service program of the Superior Courts of Butte, Tehama, and Lake Counties

SHARP and the Family Law Facilitator offices offer information about Court processes and assistance with legal forms for people who are representing themselves in court.



# SHARP provides assistance with:

## Family Law:

- Dissolution of Marriage/Response
- Legal Separation
- Request for Orders
- Responsive Declarations
- Child Custody and Visitation
- Paternity/Establishing Custody
- Child Support/Spousal Support
- Guardianship
- Step Parent Adoptions (Uncontested)
- Set Aside of Default
- Emancipation of Minor
- Name Change

## Tenant/Landlord Law

- Eviction
- Unlawful Detainer/Response

## Restraining Orders

- Domestic Violence
- Civil Harassment
- Elder Abuse

## Small Claims (initial filing only)

## Expungement

# What You Need to Do

- For best service, call a SHARP office **FIRST**. An appointment is usually necessary unless it is a same-day emergency.

- Bring copies of all paperwork you have, your case number, any information and documents related to your case, if seeking a Dissolution, proof of income for two months, and a few dollars which you may need to purchase a form packet from the court.

- Be on time for your appointment.

- Please call 48 hours in advance if you cannot make your appointment so it will be available for others.

- If you need an interpreter (except Spanish) or help writing, bring someone to help you. No others will be able to accompany you.

- Arrange for child care.

**Please understand that we cannot allow children in the SHARP offices.** Space is

limited and people often discuss issues that are not suitable for children to overhear.

**Thank you for your cooperation.**

# SHARP cannot provide assistance with:

Due to the limits of our funding, SHARP **cannot** provide assistance with the following issues:

- Money judgments
- Credit card disputes
- Bankruptcy
- Probate, Estate Planning, Wills and Trusts
- Conservatorships
- Adult or Contested Adoptions
- Juvenile Court (CPS/CSD) cases
- Mechanics Liens
- Personal Injury cases
- Traffic matters
- Appeals
- Immigration issues
- Disability issues
- Mobile Home Evictions