



COMMUNITY COURTS



SAFE HARBOR COURT

The Safe Harbor Court was named after its purpose, which is to provide a venue where individuals can speak with a Judge without fear of arrest regarding their inability to pay as a result of indigency or other hardships. Individuals will be required to provide documentation or proof of their hardship(s) or the issues preventing them from complying with a Court Order. Upon review, if the Judge finds sufficient evidence of hardship, they can take advantage of various alternative resolution options in lieu of payment.



VETERANS COURT

Veterans Court was created in partnership with the U.S. Department of Veteran Affairs, Houston VA Hospital, Beacon Law, and Combined Arms, as a program aimed to assist veterans resolve their outstanding City of Houston Municipal Courts citations. Our goal is to aid veterans overcome barriers, such as unpaid warrants, deferred payments, and delinquent cases, that may be preventing them from obtaining a driver's license or identification card. This is a voluntary alternative on the part of the defendant. We seek to assist all veterans and help divert their cases from delinquent status so that they can take control of their lives and move forward.



HOMELESS COURT

Homeless Court was established in 2006 as a partnership between the City of Houston Municipal Court, the Coalition for the Homeless of Houston, and local homeless service providers. This program assists homeless individuals to resolve outstanding misdemeanor offenses and warrants through various alternative resolution options in lieu of payment including community service and participation in approved service program activities such as chemical dependency meetings, computer literacy classes, and job skills training. Participants voluntarily sign up for Homeless Court by requesting the service from a local homeless service provider.



Community Courts are located at the Herbert W. Gee Municipal Courthouse at 1400 Lubbock Street, Houston, TX 77002.

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