



# Disability Law Center of Alaska

Governor's Council on Disabilities & Special Education Report  
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## Who we are

The Disability Law Center of Alaska (DLC) is an independent non-profit law firm providing legal advocacy for people with disabilities, anywhere in Alaska.

## Who we help

Individuals with traumatic brain injury, mental illness, physical disabilities, and intellectual and developmental disabilities (I/DD).

## What we assist with

- ❖ Some Social Security applications and some higher-level appeals;
- ❖ Medicaid/Medicare appeals;
- ❖ Physical barriers/access to businesses, services, and voting;
- ❖ Access to appropriate Special Education programs;
- ❖ Social Security representative payee performance reviews;
- ❖ Disability-related financial exploitation or employment discrimination;
- ❖ Complaints about the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation (DVR) or an Independent Living Center;
- ❖ Establish and maintain contact with residents who live in facilities through monitoring;
- ❖ Outreach, intake, and/or, training events to inform of DLC's services and the legal rights of people with disabilities;
- ❖ Systemic activities, such as educating policy makers, reviewing and investigating how policies affect people with disabilities;
- ❖ Investigate reports of abuse and neglect of individuals with disabilities, as well as assess how well agencies investigate complaints of abuse and neglect.

## All DLC's Work

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between October 2023 and September 2024



**779** recorded calls/inquiries for information and referral

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**219** cases



**47** successful cases so far

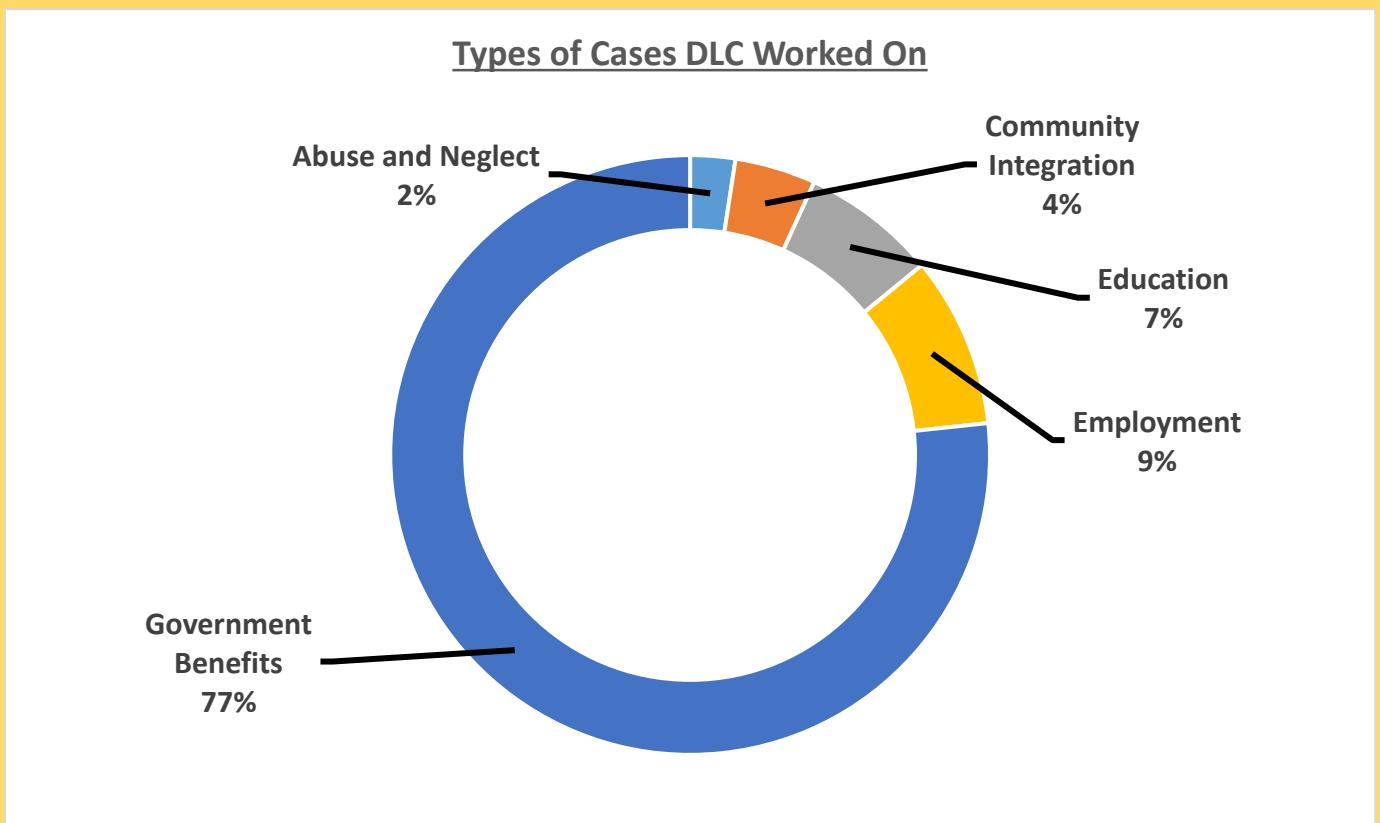
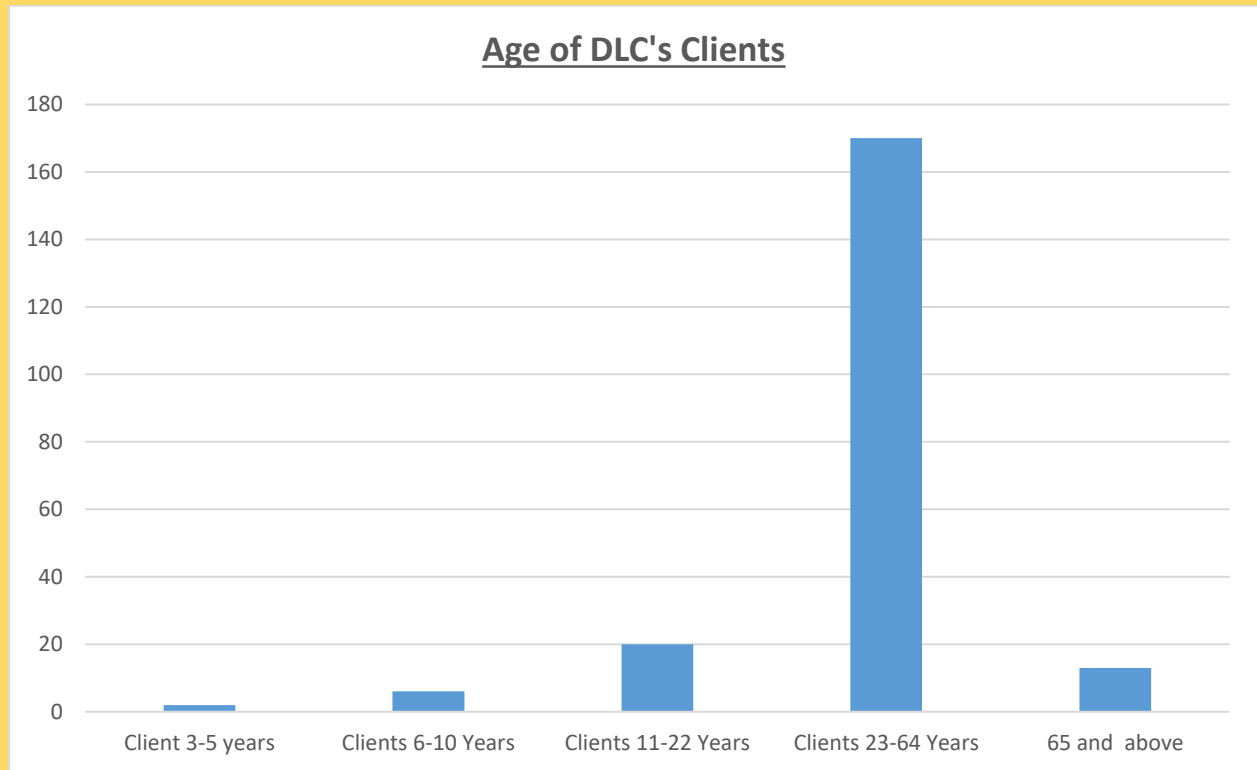
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participated in **13** outreach events



## All DLC's Work

between October 2023 and September 2024



## DLC's Work Directed at Individuals with I/DD

between October 2023 and September 2024



**268** recorded calls for information and referral

**53** cases



**10** successful cases so far

Types of Cases DLC has Worked On for Clients with I/DD

