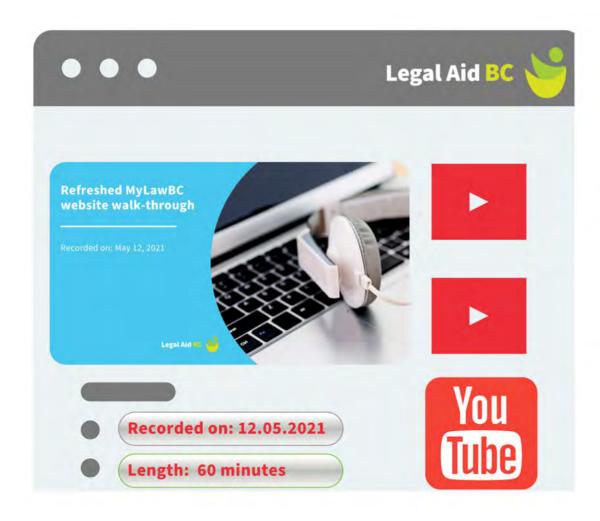


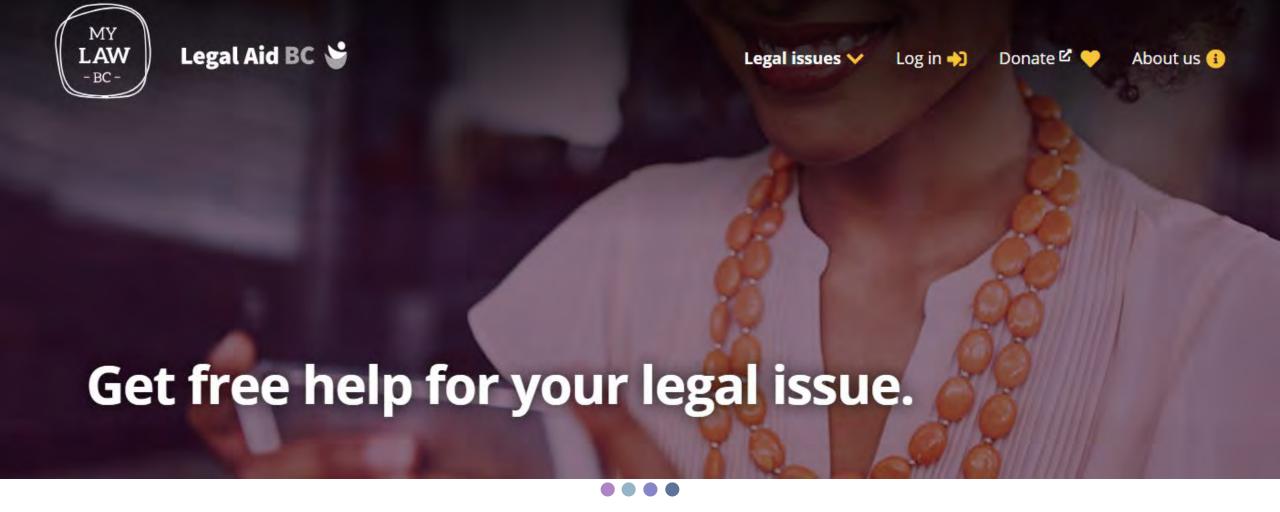
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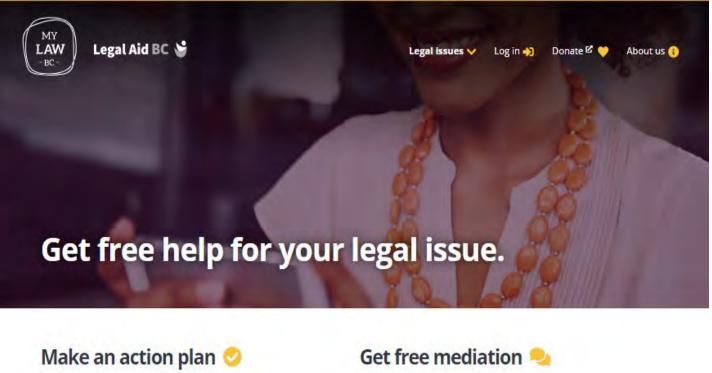




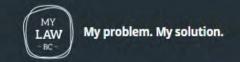
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# WHAT IT CAN HELP WITH

- Separation and divorce
- Foreclosure
- Abusive relationships
- Making a will







MAKE AN ACTION PLAN

Abuse and family violence

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About us

# GUIDED PATHWAYS

- Answer questions about your situation
- Get a step-by-step plan to take action
- Only the info you need when you need it





- Short actionable steps to resolve the issue
- Background info and referrals
- Downloadable as PDFs





## Find out if you can keep your home



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Get more help

# **Download your plan (PDF)**

#### Your situation

#### Based on your answers

#### Financial hardship because of COVID-19

If you've lost your job or lost income because of the COVID-19 pandemic, you might be eligible to defer (postpone) your mortgage payment. Currently, there's no mandatory federal guidelines, so you need to contact your lender for information specific to them.

It's important that you don't stop making mortgage payments before you confirm with your lender that you qualify. Deferring your payments is a short term emergency measure only. If you are eligible to defer your mortgage, you will have to pay interest on your deferred payments.

#### Contact your lender

If you've lost income due to COVID-19 and you're going to miss mortgage payments, your lender will work with you. Go to their website to find out what they're offering, and how you can contact them either by phone or in person.

#### Prepare your information

Get all your financial information ready before talking to your lender. You may have to prove that your income has dropped, if you've been temporarily laid off, or lost your job due to COVID-19.

#### Stay up to date

The situation is changing quickly! As well as regularly checking your lender's websites, here are some resources:

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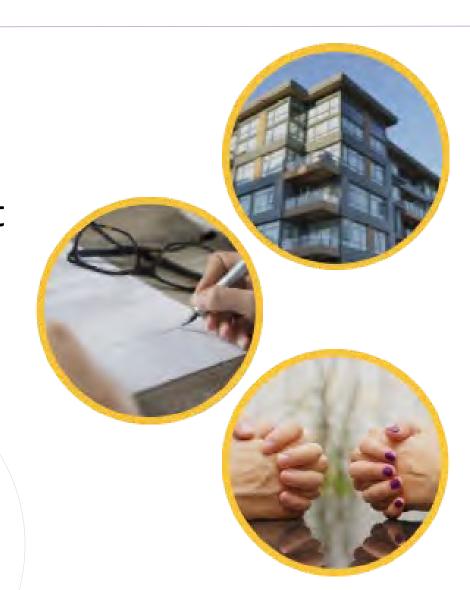
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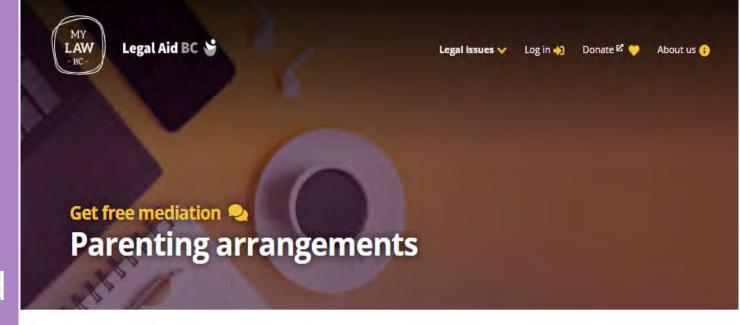
# Guided pathways available

- Make a separation plan
- Get family orders
- I've been served with a court document
- Make a safety plan
- Find out if you can keep your home
- Make a will
- Plan for the future



# ODR SERVICES

- Online dispute resolution
- Issues around divorce and separation
- Create legal agreements
- Mediation
- Free



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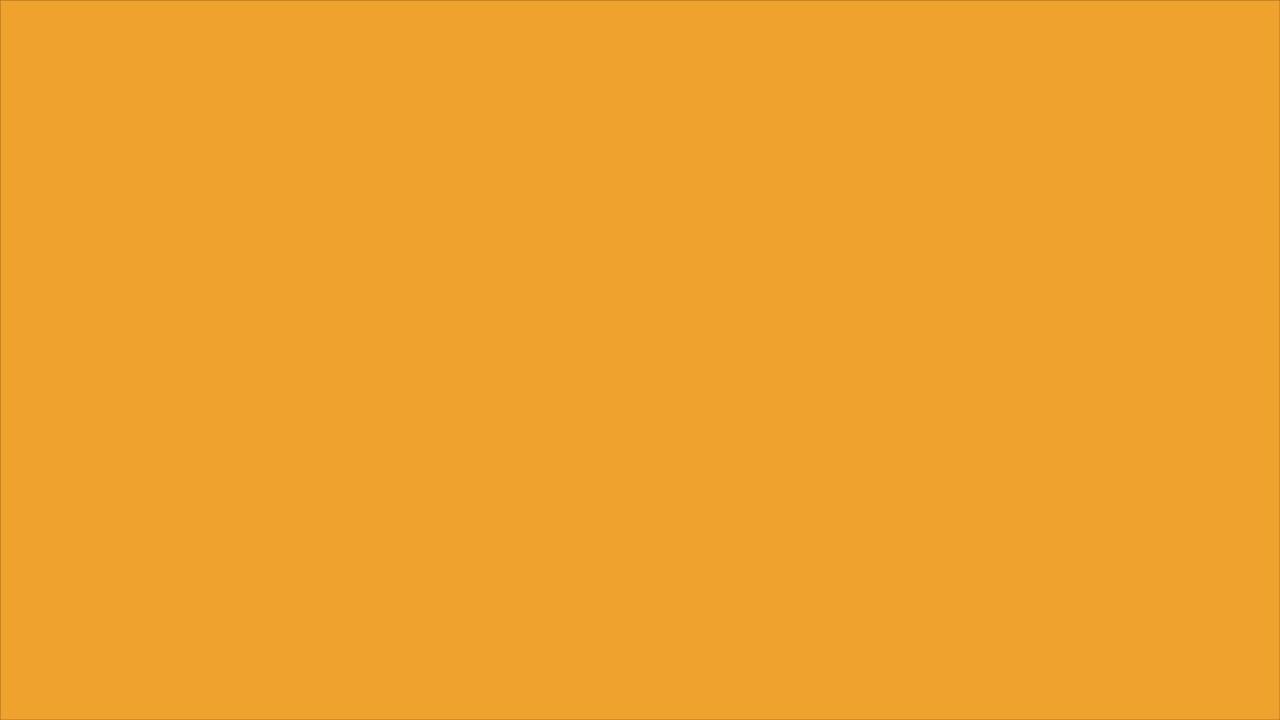
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# FAMILY RESOLUTION CENTRE

- Platform for creating parenting plans
- Work together for what's best for your children
- Get a free mediator to help



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# FREE MEDIATION

- Uses the Family
   Resolution Centre
   platform
- Up to 5 hours of free mediation
- Qualified under the Family Law Act



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# Why make the Family Resolution Centre?

- Parenting issues are some of the hardest to resolve
- Help people who can't afford these services
- Mediation helps preserve relationships
- Reduce stress for users

# Who can use the Family Resolution Centre?

- Only deals with parenting issues
  - Doesn't include child support (yet)
- No financial eligibility requirements
- Screening for appropriateness for online mediation
  - No cases with family violence





MyLawBC Family Resolution Centre

Password
Forgot password?

Create Account



# Welcome to the Family Resolution Centre

This service helps separating parents make a parenting plan that's in the best interest of their children using online dispute resolution. If you and the other parent need or want more help, you can work with a free professional mediator.

#### **PARENTS**

If you have children and you're separating or divorcing, you need a parenting plan; a document that outlines how you'll raise your children. This service walks you through the process.

You'll discuss issues including when each of you will spend time with your children, who'll make decisions about your children, where your children will spend their holidays, and other important topics. If you get stuck, you can ask for a professional mediator, qualified under the Family Law Act, to help you.

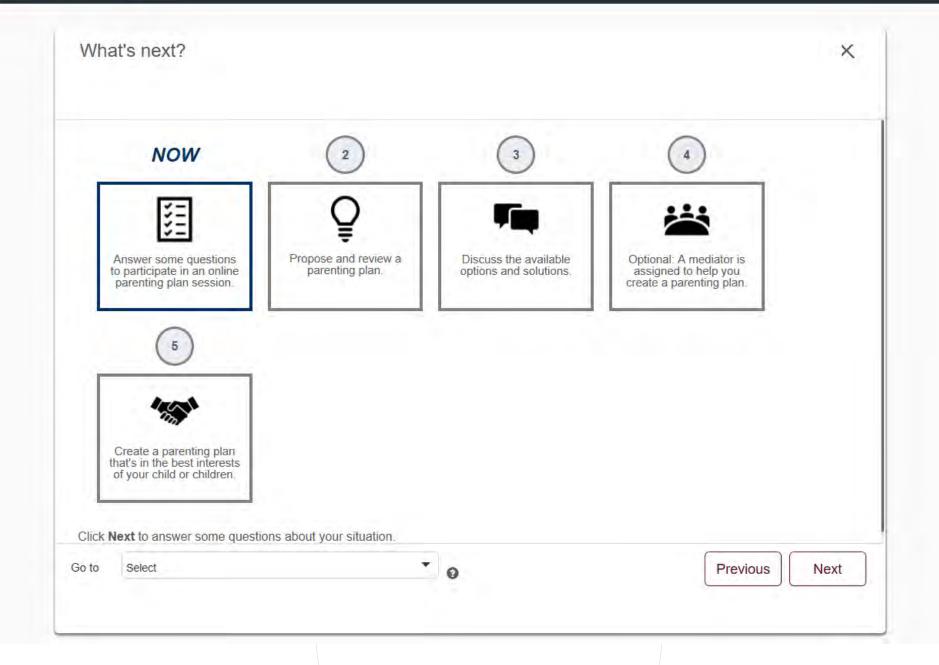
There is no cost to you. Work on your parenting plan wherever you have access to a computer, whenever works best for you.

### **MEDIATORS**

You'll be able to access all relevant case information, directly interact with case participants, and create parenting plans wherever you have access to a computer, whenever works best for you and the parents.

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Request Help from a Mediator







What Else Can I Do?

## Parenting plan progress

To build the parenting plan, you and Joshua must make decisions in the following 7 areas:





Decision Making



Parenting/Con tact Time



Statutory Holidays and **Special Days** 



**School Breaks** 



**Vacation** 



**Transportation** 



**Additional Terms** 

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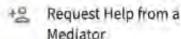


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Summary



What Else Can I Do?

## Decision making: Choose an option

Parenting responsibilities include making decisions about education, culture, religion, medical treatment, and sharing and receiving information.

There is a presumption that the parenting responsibilities will be shared equally unless stated otherwise. As well as the decision-making arrangement you choose, your parenting plan will state the following about decisions:

#### Day-to-day decisions

During their parenting time, that guardian (on-duty parent) can make day-to-day decisions about the child or children, including decisions about things like homework, bedtime, and chores.

#### **Emergency decisions**

In a health emergency, the guardian who is having parenting time with the child or children can make the decision about healthcare. If a parent or guardian makes emergency health decisions, they must immediately contact the other parent or guardian.

Who will make decisions about the children? \*

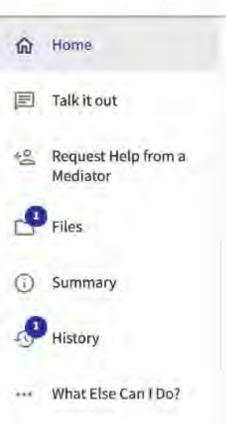
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## Review your proposed plan

Your proposed parenting plan is ready for review and acceptance.

### Parenting Plan

This parenting plan commences as soon as both parties have signed.

This parenting plan is dated: 01/31/2021

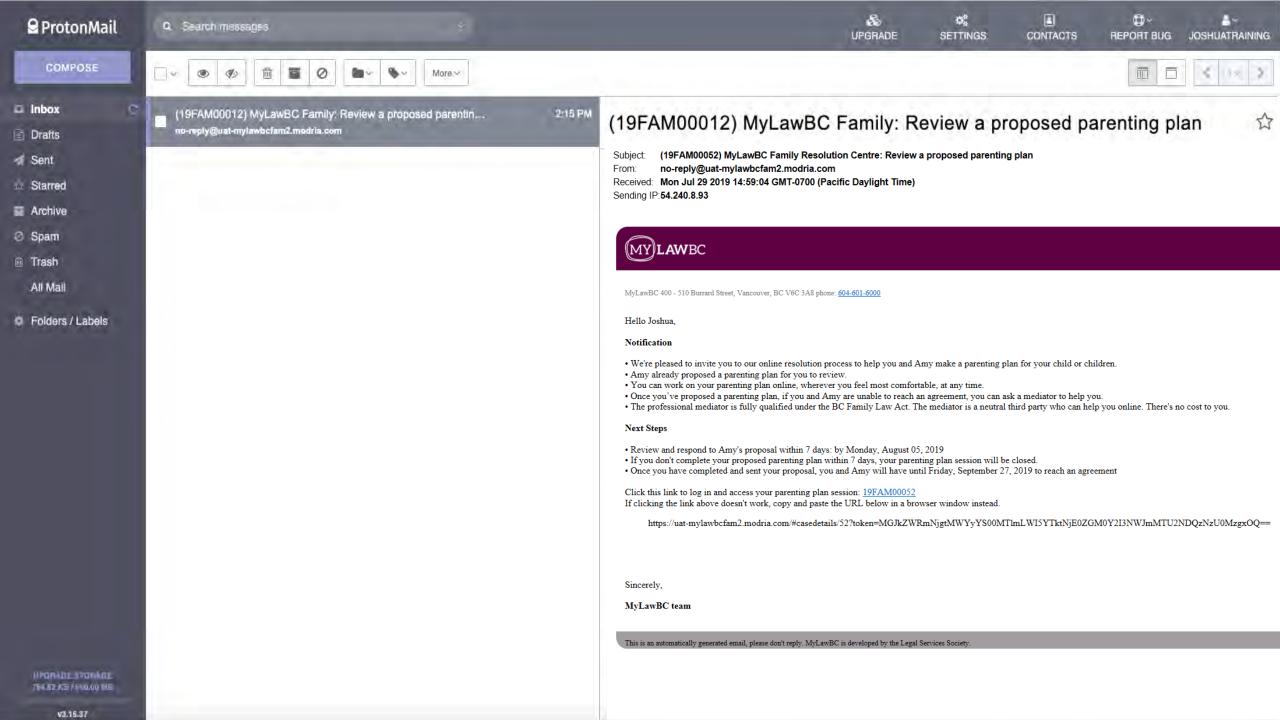
#### BETWEEN:

Training, Amy, "Amy"

#### AND:

Training, Joshua, "Joshua"

We are the parents of the following child or children:







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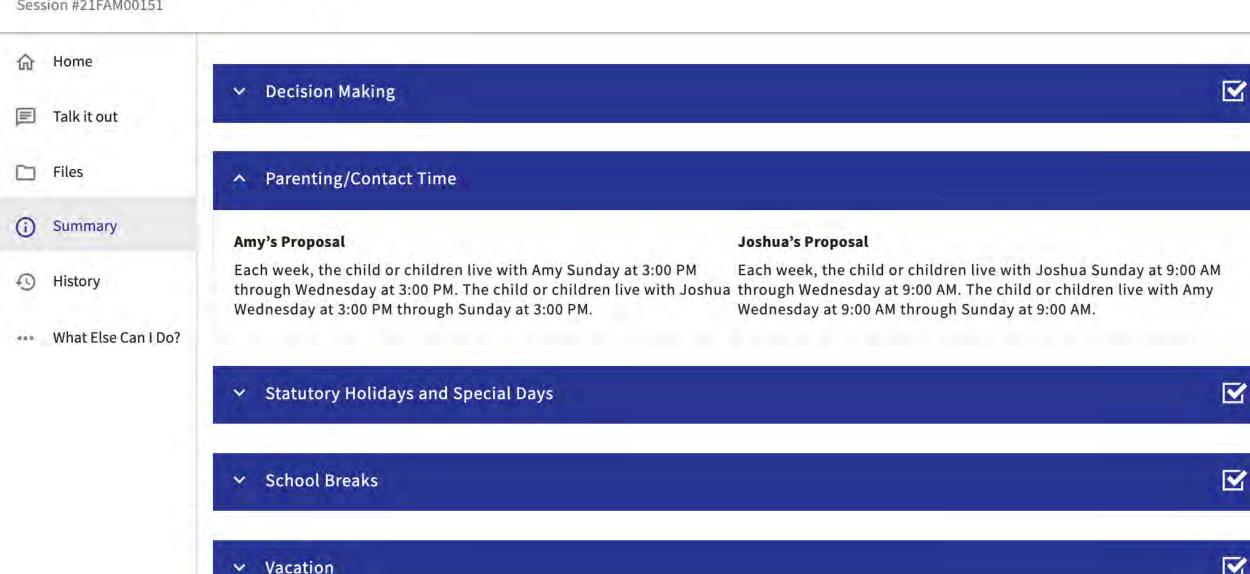
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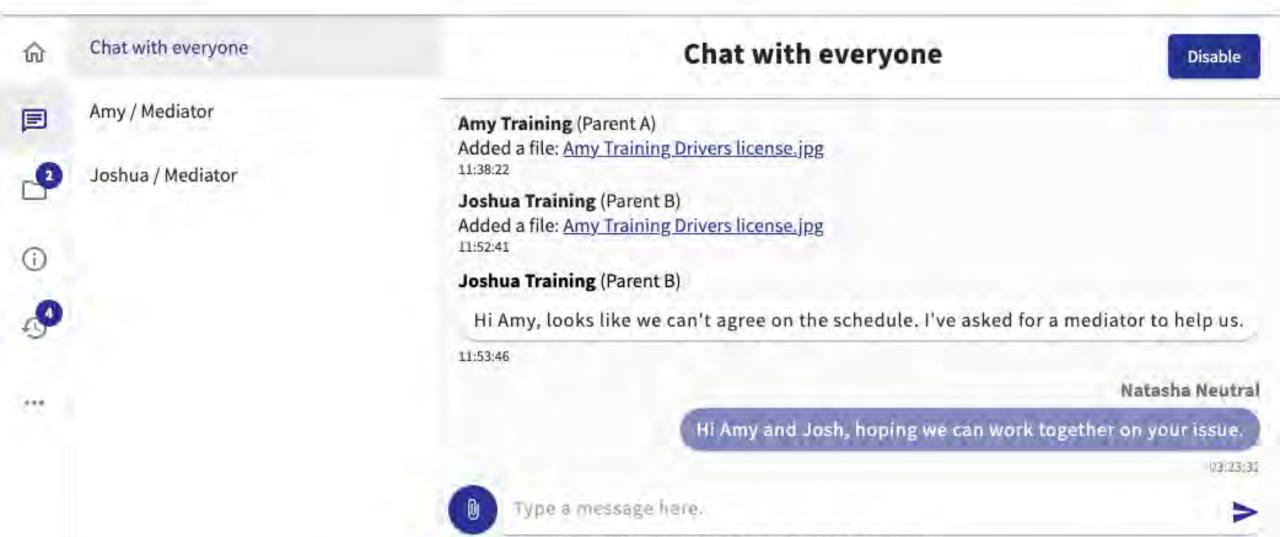








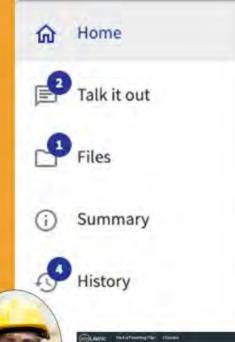
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The mediator drafted a parenting plan for you and Joshua to review. Your proposed parenting plan is ready for review and acceptance.

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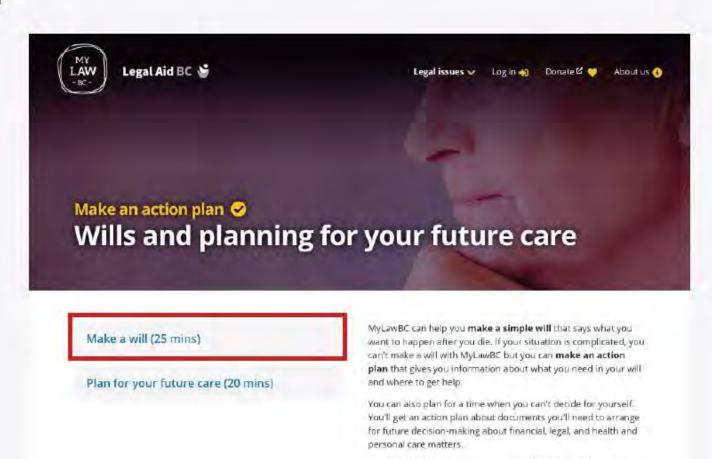


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# MyLawBC: Make a will

# mylawbc.com/paths/wills/

- 1. Why make a will?
- 2. Whats in a MyLaw BC will?
- 3. Getting Started
- 4. The guided pathway
- Fill out your will
- 6. Whats next?



You might not be able to make a will with MyLawBC if your situation is complicated. See What MyLawBC doesn't cover (PDF).

# 1. Why make a will?

# Dying without a will (Intestancy)

- The law sets out who will inherit your assets
- Your spouse, adult children, or close friends will have to apply to court for permission to handle your estate.
- An application for an Order of Estate Administration can 6 months to a year.
- · Costly



#### About this pathway

This guided pathway explains making a will, and asks you questions about what you want in your will. You'll get a downloadable PDF action plan based on your answers that may include a will (a Word file to fill out), and information to help you.

If you can't make a will with MyLawBE, your action plan will have the best available resources for your situation, including where to find legal help and advice.

If you can make a will with MyLawBC, we'll explain how you can sign your will while maintaining physical distancing.

You can now also have your will witnessed electronically. This means your witnesses can use technology like Skype, FaceTime, Zoom, Teams, or other methods so that they can watch and hear you, as well as each other, at the same time. Everyone would have identical copies of the will. This applies to all wills made on or after March 18, 2020.

This pathway takes about 25 minutes to complete. Your answers are anonymous. See our privacy policy for more information.

#### Before you begin

Optional worksheet		*
Can I make a will?		Ť
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# 2. What's in a MyLaw BC will?

- Choose an executor
- Choose beneficiaries & alternate beneficiaries
- If you have children, you'll include them as beneficiaries.
- If you're married you'll name your spouse as beneficiary and vice versa. If you have children, they will be your alternate beneficiaries
- If you have children under 19, you'll choose a guardian for your child

#### What's in a MyLawBC will?

In the will forms provided by this guided pathway:

- You'll name someone to be the executor of your estate and one or more beneficiaries. You'll also name alternates (backups).
- You'll divide your estate in equal shares among the beneficiaries (or alternate beneficiaries) who are alive when you die.
- If you have children, you'll include them as beneficiaries, as expected by the law.
- If you're married, you'll name each other as executor and beneficiary, and you'll have the same alternate beneficiary(ies). If you have children, they'll be your alternate beneficiaries.
- If you have children under 19, you may be naming a guardian who'll be responsible for them. There are also instructions for a trust, if necessary, to hold their part of the estate.

If some or all of this isn't what you want to do, you can get help from a notary or lawyer to make a will.

There are some situations that MyLawBC isn't designed for. Please check the sidebar on the right for more information.

# 3. Getting Started

# What you need

- Computer
- · Microsoft Word

# Before you begin

- Optional worksheet
- · Can I make a will?
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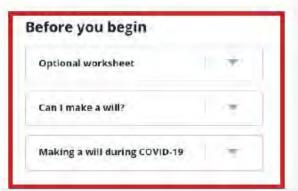
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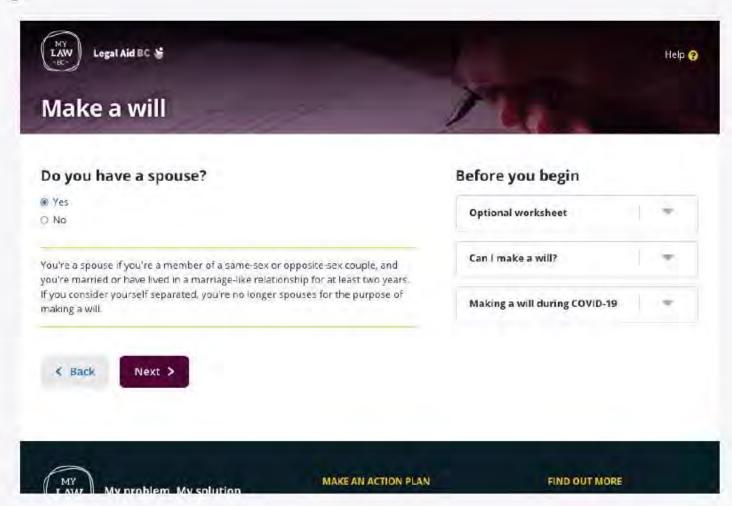
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- Your action plan
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#### Your situation

#### Based on your answers

Click <u>Download your plan</u> (pdf) to save or print a PDF of this information. This will let you keep a copy of all the important information you need to take your next steps. MyLawBC doesn't keep your confidential information. Your downloaded PDF is your only record.

Your plan is based on the following information:

- · You want to make a will.
- You have a spouse.
- Your spouse also wants to make a will.
- · You want to name each other as your executor and beneficiary
- · You know you need to name a backup executor.
- · You don't have children.
- If you die together, or if your spouse dies before you, you have one alternate beneficiary.

In your will, you'll name the following:

- · Your spouse as executor and beneficiary.
- A backup executor.
- · One alternate beneficiary.





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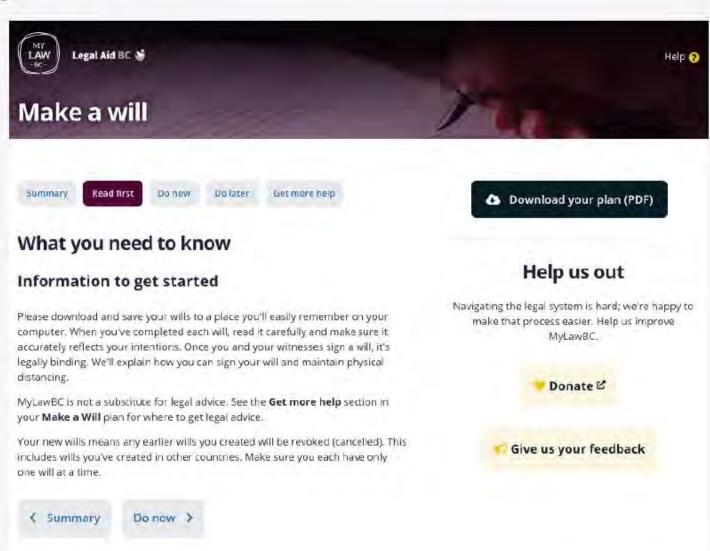
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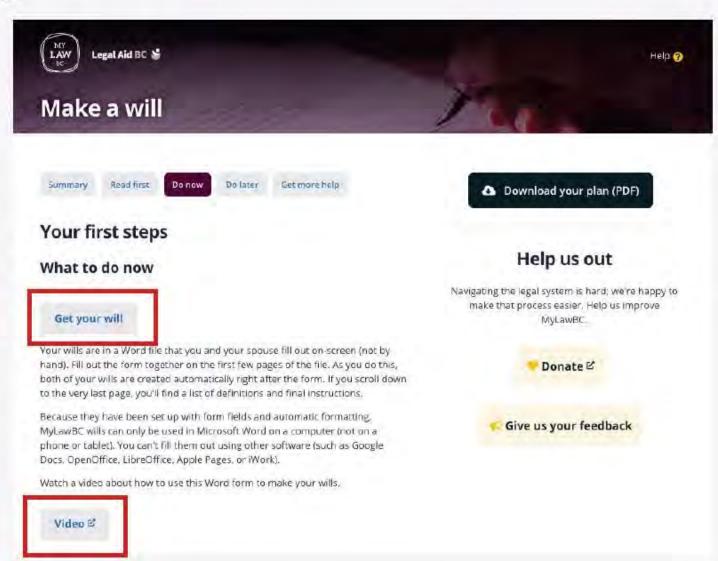
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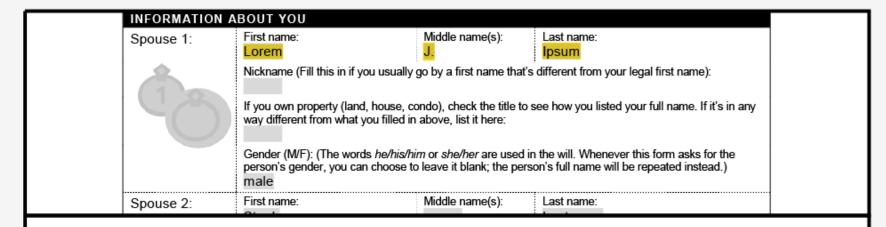
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# 5. Fill out your will

- Filling out the form at the top of the word document will generate a simple will within the same document
- Consider taking it to a Lawyer or notary before signing your will.
- Once your will is signed and witnessed it is a legal will



## Last Will of Lorem J. Ipsum

 This is the last Will of me, Lorem J. Ipsum, currently of 123 4 st, Vancouver, British Columbia.

#### Revocation of prior wills

I cancel all of my previous wills including any changes or amendments I've made to those wills.

# 6. What's next?

- Store your will
- Register your will
- · Keep a record
- Change your will if necessary

