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Alderwoman Coggs: Residents have several options to report police searches

Residents who believe they were searched in an illegal manner by Milwaukee police can file a complaint by turning to several community agencies and partners, according to **Alderwoman Milele A. Coggs**.

Alderwoman Coggs said she is working to inform residents about their complaint options, as many may be led to believe that they can turn only to the Fire and Police Commission, the Milwaukee Police Department, or the Milwaukee County District Attorney's Office to file a complaint.

"As the long list of partnering agencies below shows, residents who believe they may have been subject to an illegal search – or any other potentially improper actions or treatment – by police officers have many options available to them," she said.

Three of the listed agencies have limited legal help available for persons looking into filing a complaint, and the others are making complaint forms available upon request, Alderwoman Coggs said.

Complaint forms and limited legal assistance is available at these locations:

- **House of Peace Community Center**
Internet: www.houseofpeacemilwaukee.org
1702 W. Walnut Street; (414) 933-1300
Marquette Legal Clinic is available to assist in filing a complaint on TUESDAYS from 3:00 pm - 7:00 pm at the House of Peace.
- **NAACP**
Internet: www.milwaukeeaACP.org
2745 N. Martin Luther King Drive; (414) 562-1000
The NAACP will have an attorney available to assist in filing a complaint on TUESDAYS from 10:00 am - 12:00 pm at the NAACP office.

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- **Spanish Center**
Internet: www.spanishcenter-milw.org
1615 S. 22nd Street; (414) 384-3700
Marquette Legal Clinic is available to assist in filing a complaint on WEDNESDAYS from 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm at the Spanish Center.

These agencies have complaint forms available, but CANNOT provide legal assistance at this time:

- **Holton Youth & Family Center**
510 E. Burleigh Street; (414) 226-6210
- **League of Martin**
Internet: www.leagueofmartin.net/
2821 N. 4th Street, #103; (414) 372-8294
- **Lincoln Park Community Center**
Internet: www.lpccinc.org/
2820 W. Stark Street; (414) 963-6400
- **Milwaukee LGBT Community Center**
Internet: www.mkelgbt.org
252 E. Highland Avenue; (414) 271-2656
- **Milwaukee Urban League**
Internet: www.tmul.org
435 W. North Avenue; (414) 374-5850
- **New Concept Self-Development Center**
1531 W. Vliet Street; (414) 442-0288
- **Sheegee Community / Hmong American Friendship Association, Inc.**
Internet: www.hmongamer.org
3824 W. Vliet Street; (414) 344-6575
- **Sherman Park Community Association**
Internet: www.shermanpark.org
3526 W. Fond du Lac Avenue; (414) 444-9803
- **Silver Spring Neighborhood Center**
Internet: www.ssn-c-milw.org
5460 N. 64th Street; (414) 463-7950
- **Southside Organizing Committee**
Internet: www.socmilwaukee.org/
1300 S. Layton Boulevard; (414) 672-8090
- **Spotted Eagle**
Internet: www.spottedeagle.us/
3209 W. Highland Boulevard., Suite 200; (414) 342-0706
- **Urban Underground**
Internet: www.urbanunderground.org
4850 W. Fond du Lac Avenue; (414) 444-8726
- **Voces De la Frontera**
Internet: www.vdlf.org
1027 S. 5th Street; (414) 383-8783

Please go to <http://city.milwaukee.gov/fpc/Complaints> to view the entire list.