ALICE household - Jamie

Jamie is a single mom to three children. She works hard to take care of her kids. But at minimum wage, she doesn't have any extra money for when things come up - like legal issues.

So when her relationship with her boyfriend turned violent, she was in a tough position. She denied his advances and tried to avoid him, but he wouldn't leave her alone. He even showed up at her place of employment and harassed her there, threatening her job.

To make matters worse, her ex also happened to be her landlord. And Jamie didn't have a lot of options or know where to turn.

Jamie came to Legal Aid. Our team of advocates first helped her obtain a protection order against her ex. Then, when he retaliated by filing multiple eviction notices, we fought those, as well, eventually causing both cases to be dismissed. And finally, our legal team helped Jamie file for housing discrimination based on her situation, resulting in a settlement in her favor.

Since the time she came to us, Jamie has moved. Her life is calmer now, away from her ex and with the protection of a court order.