



## **Brazos Bend Guardianship Services**

### **Guardianship Assistance Program**

Brazos Bend Guardianship Services provides guardianship assistance to family members that need to obtain guardianship of an incapacitated loved one. There are eligibility guidelines for this program and they are as follows:

1. The incapacitated individual must be at least 17 years and 6 months of age and reside in Fort Bend County.
2. The incapacitated individual must be incapacitated. The only proof of incapacity that will be accepted will be the Dr.'s Letter that must be completed by a licensed medical Dr. or Psychologist (if incapacity is due to Mental Retardation.)
3. The assistance program is only for family members seeking guardianship of the person only.
4. The assistance program is only for non-contested guardianships. This means no one will object to the incapacitated person getting a guardian.
5. Must be willing to attend an information session.
6. Must meet income and asset eligibility guidelines – The total family income from everyone living in the home will be counted towards the qualification. Family must meet Fort Bend Lawyer's Care Income Guidelines to qualify to receive the full assistance and the potential guardian must be a resident of Fort Bend County. Will be required to provide proof of income.
7. Reduced legal fees may be available for those whose family annual income is between 126%-250% above the poverty level.

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