

**INFORMATION SHEET
APPLICATION FOR CRIMINAL INDIGENT STATUS**

1. You must submit this Application for Criminal Indigent Status before your next scheduled court date to assure representation of counsel. Make sure the case number(s) or citations number(s) are noted on the Application (if known).
2. Complete the Application and bring it in person to the Pretrial Services Department located at 2000 Main Street, Suite 101, Fort Myers FL, 33901.
3. The Application will be processed while you wait. A pretrial representative will determine indigence for appointment of counsel and advise you whether you qualify for the services of the Public Defender.
4. You will be responsible for paying the \$50 application fee prior to your scheduled court appearance. This fee is payable even if you are not appointed a public defender to represent you.
5. If you have any questions regarding the completion procedures for the attached Application for Criminal Indigent Status, please contact the Pretrial Services Department at (239) 533-1730 between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.