

Northern Rivers CLSD Program Action Plan 2021 - 2023

Action	Responsible	Notes and Monitoring
Working with the most disadvantaged communities in the region (to the north and west of Lismore)		
“Working with our most disadvantaged communities’ will be a standing item on the CLSD quarterly Agenda	All Legal Services	Legal Services to look for opportunities to engage with our most disadvantaged communities. This can be discussed at meetings or communicated to the CLSD Co-ordinator for collaborative action.
Connect with schools and local interagency networks as a means of connecting with isolated communities	All legal services	Schools as a hub for community – possible link with the school CLE project.
Send out information to the network regarding ID and how to get help with obtaining ID	Regional coordinator CLSD Program unit	DLA Piper is available to provide pro bono assistance to people who are not registered BDM can assist with fee free birth certificates for vulnerable people – link this information with outreach days conducted with Kyogle Youth Action.
Collaborate with Kyogle Youth Action on their outreach days with a focus on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fines • ID/Birth Certificates 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kyogle Youth Action • ALS • NRCLC • Legal Aid NSW 	
Community legal education and sector development		
Investigate CLE at TAFE for community services students and other relevant courses	Kristy Perkins Aboriginal Community Engagement Officer TAFE NRCLC Legal Aid NSW	
Conduct large scale law check up with community workers in various forums	All legal services	
Offer CLE for TAFE staff about options other than WDOs for fines	Legal Aid NSW WDO team	

Legal life skills for young people	Legal Aid NSW NRCLC ALS	To be delivered in schools and with youth groups. Are there any steps that need to be taken before it can be offered? Has Legal Aid NSW identified any additional resource to support it?
CLE/Forum on DV, Police Powers and Court Processes	ALS NRCLC Legal Aid	
Early Intervention Referral Project (EIRP) On-line version to be developed and delivered across NSW	NRCLC ALS Legal Aid	
Cut it Out workshops for salon professionals in: Kyogle Murwillumbah Tweed Heads Lismore	Regional coordinator	
Stolen Generations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Training for lawyers • Community event 	Regional coordinator Legal Aid NSW CLSAC	
Work collaboratively to improve relationships with Police in relation to DV and Aboriginal Communities		
Discussion/working group to be established regarding transformative justice. Transformative Justice to be a standing item on the CLSD Agenda.	NRCLC – Centre Manager All legal services	
Create opportunities to improve police relationships through collaboration across the region.	Regional Coordinator All legal Services	All legal services to identify any opportunities to improve police relationships and place on the Agenda for discussion.
Strategic and advocacy issues		
Research project on tenancy in the Northern Rivers region – finding out about the needs of tenants	NRTAAS	

Produce a Housing/Tenancy Support Services document similar to the Hunter region.	NRTAAS & Legal Aid	
Impact of Covid-19 on Legal Service Delivery This will be a standing item on the CLSD Agenda for discussion at quarterly meetings	All Legal Services	
How we work together		
Hold 4 CLSD regional meetings each year in <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lismore • Tweed • Casino/Kyogle • Ballina (trial location) <p>The Lismore meeting to include extra time for legal services to meet.</p>	Regional coordinator	
Shared brochures, CLE Slide and postcards to be produced	Regional coordinator	