

PILBARA COMMUNITY LEGAL SERVICE Inc.

April was a busy month at PCLS with the team getting out and about in the local community. We have lots of exciting things planned for the rest of the year, keep reading to find out what we've been up to.

What's Been Happening at PCLS



DOMESTIC VIOLENCE ADVOCACY

Hedland Says No to Family Violence March

Recently our South Hedland team joined the annual Hedland Says NO to Family Violence March to show our support for victims of domestic and family violence. The event included a march, speeches from local community groups, community stalls and a bbq. It was great to see so many people from the community taking part and finding out about the many resources available to support them.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH Onslow Community Visit

On Wednesday 18th May our legal, disability advocacy, domestic violence, redress and housing support teams will be in Onslow . If you, or someone you know needs assistance come down and see the team at the Onslow Business House from 9:30am - 12:30pm. No appointments necessary, so stop by when you can.



Contact us on 9185 5899 for more info



COMMUNITY GRANTS Thank you to Woodside and FMG

Earlier this year Pilbara Community Legal Service applied for a Woodside Community Grant and an FMG Community Grant. We are excited to share that our applications for both were successful. The Woodside Community Grant will assist us to provide emergency COVID-19 relief to those who have to isolate. The FMG Community Grant will provide much needed funding to support our domestic violence clients and provide them with the essentials they need to feel safe.

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE EDUCATION

Roebourne Prison Workshops

Earlier this month our Domestic Violence Team visited Roebourne Prison to run series of workshops. These workshops focused on providing education, support, empowerment and healing to equip the women with additional knowledge and resources to support their future. One of the workshops was a 'dress for success' day where the women were styled to help them look and feel career ready. The team spoke about the challenges and opportunities of returning to the workforce, providing the women with encouragement and insights about what to expect and how to prepare.



Our Services



HOUSING SUPPORT

Our Housing Support Workers assist people who are having difficulty securing or maintaining stable accommodation. The program is for people who are at risk of or are experiencing any type of homelessness issues.



COMMUNITY MIGRANT SERVICES

Our Community Migrant Service Workers provide one-on-one casework, support, information and linkages to other mainstream services to assist migrants.





LEGAL SUPPORT



Our legal team offer free legal advice and assistance in the areas of family law, restraining orders, child



protection matters, and criminal injuries compensation.

REDRESS SUPPORT



Our Redress Support Workers are here to help survivors of sexual abuse understand the Scheme, talk about feelings and guide them through the application process.

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SUPPORT



The role of our Domestic Violence Support Workers is to provide support to victims of family and domestic violence through safety and crisis intervention planning, informal counselling, support planning, advocacy, court support, assistance with Violence Restraining Order applications and education.



TENANT ADVICE & EDUCATION SERVICE



Our Tenant Advice and Education Service Workers are here to advocate, support and educate tenants in relation to their rights and responsibilities in accordance with the Residential Tenancies Act. They cannot provide advice to landlords or commercial tenants.



FINANCIAL COUNSELLING

Our Financial Counsellors offer information, conduct assessments and provide options and support to assist clients, address identified problems and manage financial situations more effectively.



DISABILITY ADVOCACY



Our Disability Advocates are here to assist with Disability Support Pension applications, applications for the National Disability Insurance Scheme, setting goals, recognising support needs and referrals.

COVID-19 UPDATE

We hope that everyone is staying safe during these tough times.

PCLS continues to operate to ensure that we can provide our services to the Pilbara community. We are taking all necessary precautions to ensure the safety of our staff and clients.

How you can help:

- please sanitise your hands when entering the office
- write your details in the contact register
- keep a safe 1.5 metre distance from others where possible
- if you are feeling unwell, please call ahead of time to reschedule or make alternative arrangements for your appointment

For more information about COVID-19 and how to stay safe, please vist the website: www.gov.au/government/covid-19coronavirus

Contact Us Today!

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