



PILBARA COMMUNITY LEGAL SERVICE Inc.

During October, PCLS staff have been diligently working within the office, delivering outstanding outcomes for our clients.

What's been happening at PCLS

OCTOBER COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Newman Community Visits



The third yearly Pilbara Family and Domestic Violence Network Conference was held in Newman on October 10th. Representatives from the PCLS domestic violence team participated in this one-day event, providing them with the opportunity to listen to experts, organisations, and individuals with personal experiences. The conference covered various subjects concerning family and domestic violence concerns.

Between October 17th and 19th, two of our Karratha team members offered legal support and housing assistance in Newman, benefiting four clients.

Tenancy Network Conference 2023

Our Tenant Advocates travelled to Perth to participate in the Tenancy Network Conference 2023. The conference provided a unique platform for tenant advocates and lawyers from across the state to connect, exchange experiences, foster relationships, and engage in professional development. Australia is currently struggling with its most severe housing crisis, marked by historically low vacancy rates. Our team's primary objective was to collaborate with a variety of services and advocate for the essential security of tenure for all renters in Western Australia. The opportunity to join forces with like-minded individuals who share the common goal of preserving tenancies was highly valued and well-received by our advocates.



COOKING UP A STORM

PCLS South Hedland community migrant service worker and Hedland Well Women's Centre, hosted their monthly cooking up a storm session. A traditional Indian lunch was enjoyed by all attendees and Rebecca Richards, Coordinator of Relationships Australia, delivered a presentation on the topics of,

- Boundaries and assertiveness in communication.
- Healthy and unhealthy relationships.

Headspace Collaboration

Financial capability worker, Yvette, travelled to Marble Bar with Roaming Youth Wellbeing Worker, Marissa where they engaged with community stakeholders and members. Their goal was to break barriers and build trust between the Nyamal/Marble Bar community.



FCAWA Conference 2023

Two representatives from our financial counselling team travelled to Perth and participated in the 2023 Financial Counsellors Association WA Conference. During their stay, they engaged in networking and productive discussions aimed at enhancing their services to be more inclusive for all clients. As part of their efforts, the financial counselling team, has implemented braille documentation for clients and explored various methods to effectively communicate with clients who have sensory impairments.



Changes in PCLS

SAID OUR
GOODBYES TO
TEAM MEMBERS

Pilbara Community Legal Service said our goodbyes to Jessica Schaufeli from our Domestic Violence Team and Loiwé Nyirongo from the Legal Team. We wish them all the best for their future endeavours!

October's Agenda



Starting at 10am and will be held at the Hedland Women's Wellness Centre is our monthly Cooking Up a Storm session.

Pilbara Community Legal Service Values

UNDERSTANDING

We listen, show empathy, and demonstrate support.

PROFESSIONAL

We are consistent in the delivery of best practice.

ACCEPTANCE

We welcome people of all backgrounds, cultures and beliefs.

HELPFUL

We prioritise goals and do whatever we can to make a difference and achieve positive outcomes.

EMPOWERING

We give people all they need to make the best decisions.

INNOVATIVE

We are always open to new ideas and finding solutions.



Our Services



HOUSING SUPPORT

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



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.



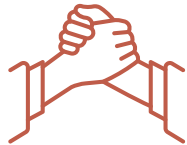
COMMUNITY MIGRANT SERVICES

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



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.

Contact Us Today!

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