

## Riverina CLSD Program Action Plan 2025 - 2026

Partnership purpose	To build and nurture a network of legal assistance and community services in the Riverina to increase access to justice and improve legal and social outcomes for people experiencing social or economic disadvantage or dislocation.		
Partnership priorities	Projects	Resourcing	Progress and notes
<b>Legal Needs</b>	Wills clinics about what to do when someone passes away. Possible locations: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Wagga Wagga -Ashmont</li> <li>• Griffith</li> <li>• Narrandera</li> <li>• Cootamundra</li> <li>• Grenfell</li> <li>• Temora</li> </ul>	Macarthur Legal Service: drafting and CLE about wills  Legal Aid NSW: can provide CLE regarding enduring guardianship and power of attorney  Local community partner.	Include networking for services as part of events.
	Advocate to improve access to Link2Home for advocates and lawyers representing people in the criminal justice system (usually seeking bail and needing accommodation).	NLAF Prisoners Forum – CLSD Unit to pursue	
	Addressing high fine amongst young people (18 – 24) in Wagga. 76 licences are suspended, 129 business restrictions imposed and 279 of the fines are being paid via Centrepay payment plan.  Research with non-legal partners about what they see and how can we connect YP to help.	Ashmont Justice Hub Narrandera Justice Hub Darlington Point Justice Hub  Youth Workers  TAFE staff.	The CLSD Program recently worked with Revenue NSW to trial the use of targeted comms with Revenue NSW clients ahead of legal outreach.  Could approach Revenue NSW to do the same for young people in Wagga Wagga.

<b>Community Legal Education and Resources</b>	Find or produce a quick guide to Alcohol and other drug support options in the Riverina.	CLSD Program regional coordinator and program unit work with Pathways Murrumbidgee.	
	Training for community workers outside of Wagga Wagga on spotting family law and care and protection issues and making a referral to legal assistance. Target locations: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tumut</li> <li>• Griffith</li> </ul>	Legal Aid NSW family lawyers Intereach Locally community partner organisation.	Include networking for services as part of events.
	Prepare a referral guide for the Riverina.	CLSD Program regional coordinator and program unit	Print and distribute to services. Always have available at outreach events.
	Distribute information to relevant partners throughout the Riverina for migrant workers about: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• driving offences</li> <li>• domestic violence, and</li> <li>• going to court.</li> </ul>		<a href="#">Legal Aid Publication - Going to Court</a>  <a href="#">What will happen when you go to court (nsw.gov.au)</a> Going to court Easy Read Guide  Legal Aid NSW is developing some new fact sheets on driving without a licence, drink driving targeting migrant workers from the Pacific.
<b>Events</b>	<b>CLSD Program Meeting.</b> Focus on housing and tenancy, in particular practical things that lawyers and tenant advocates can assist with.	Legal partners Tenants Advice and Advocacy Service	
	<b>CLSD Program Meeting.</b> Focus on domestic and family violence. Include information about how	Legal partners WDVCAS	Worth considering if it would be worthwhile including information

	services deal with client conflict, the operation of ADVOs and provide follow-up session on coercive control.		about Victim's Services applications.
	<b>CLSD Program Meeting.</b> Focus on the implications of changes to the NDIS introduced in October 2024.	Legal partners	It may be beneficial to provide written info via an email to partners in 2024 and follow-up in 2025 with a focussed CLSD meeting or training.

