# Strategic Plan





## **OUR ROLE**

To provide legal assistance to financially disadvantaged people throughout Queensland as a valued part of the legal and justice system.



## **OUR PURPOSE**

To maintain the rule of law, protect legal rights, contribute to the fairness and efficiency of the justice system, and reduce the social impacts of legal problems.



## **OUR VISION**

To be a leader in a fair justice system where people can understand and protect their legal and human rights.



## **OUR VALUES**

### **SOCIAL IUSTICE**

We seek to protect people's legal and human rights, promote dignity and fair treatment and help those at risk of social exclusion.

## **RESPECT**

We respect the people we assist, those with whom we work and their safety, and the rule of law, our professional obligations and the administration of justice.

### **QUALITY**

We strive to improve the quality of our work and the outcomes for our clients, partners and employees.

### **COST EFFECTIVENESS**

We deliver innovative, sustainable, quality and cost effective services.

#### **ACCOUNTABILITY**

We are accountable to our clients, courts, the legal profession, the community and those who fund us.



## **OUR SERVICES**

# COMMUNITY LEGAL EDUCATION AND INFORMATION

Through our website, publications, community legal education activities, statewide contact centre and customer service counters.

# LEGAL ADVICE AND TASK ASSISTANCE

Over the phone, by video-link, or face-to-face.

### **DUTY LAWYER SERVICES**

In criminal, family, domestic violence, child protection, anti-discrimination, employment and administrative law.

# LAWYER ASSISTED DISPUTE RESOLUTION

For families facing separation, and for consumers and farmers.

# REPRESENTATION IN COURTS AND TRIBUNALS

Including criminal law, family law, child protection, domestic violence, mental health and some civil law matters.



## OUR ENVIRONMENT — RISKS AND OPPORTUNITIES

- Ability to meet the challenges of providing a broad spectrum of services to a diverse range of clients across a geographically decentralised state and including in a constrained fiscal environment.
- Capacity to attract and continue to invest in our people, other service providers and systems while meeting demand for services.
- Challenge of maintaining a strong network of external service providers across Oueensland.

# Our objectives will be delivered through the following strategies:

Legal Aid Queensland's strategic objectives are determined by the Legal Aid Queensland Act 1997 (Qld). We are also committed to the principles of the National Access to Justice Partnership 2025-30. Legal Aid Queensland also contributes to the Queensland Government's community objective of safety where you live.



# **OBJECTIVE 1**

Provide quality and cost effective legal services to our clients

# **OBJECTIVE 2**

Progress our vision through collaboration and policy leadership

# **OBJECTIVE 3**

Build on our business capability, sustainability and workplace culture

# **OBJECTIVE 4**

Contribute to the administration of justice and effectively administer the organisation



 Support early resolution of legal problems

• Ensure we capably respond to people most at risk of social exclusion including Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people

- Build centres of excellence in our fields of legal practice
- Work closely with private lawyers and community legal centres to help ensure quality services
- Innovate to maximise the reach of services to rural and regional communities
- Undertake strategic policy and law reform activities.

- Lead policy on issues affecting our service delivery
- Engage collaboratively with service providers
- Strive to create a positive workplace culture where safety, wellbeing, flexibility, inclusivity and development is prioritised.
- Maintain our focus on financial sustainability, governance and accountability
- Transform business support systems and infrastructure
- Contribute to the fair and efficient administration of iustice



 Meeting National Access to Justice Partnership performance indicators (\$)

- Meeting Queensland Government service delivery statement measures (% and av cost)
- Results of quality and compliance audits
- A mean satisfaction score > 7 in client satisfaction survey

- Delivering internal and external training opportunities to staff and other service providers
- Achieving First Nations Strategic Plan objectives
- Improving services to rural and regional communities
- Participating in legal assistance forums
- Contributing to government policy development
- Implementing service delivery initiatives in the:
  - Financial Strategy
  - Strategic Workforce Plan
  - ICT Strategic Plan
  - First Nations Action Plan

