



# Marrickville Legal Centre

From the inner west,  
serving NSW

## August News

To kick off the new financial year, we welcomed over 20 students from China on a law exchange program through UTS. We also celebrated NAIDOC Week by participating in Absec's Family Fun Day, organising a local cultural walk with Uncle Jimmy and joining pro bono partners from Hall & Wilcox and Colin Biggers & Paisley on a Cultural Cruise around Sydney Harbour.

In other news, the demand for free and accessible legal services has surged, capturing media attention. Marrickville Legal Centre were mentioned in the media last month, highlighting our crucial support in [domestic violence](#) and [tenancy services](#).

## MLC in the Community

When we are not in the office giving advice to clients, you will find us out and about across the inner west, south-west and south Sydney - at outreach legal clinics, expos and other local events engaging with the community and providing information about our services. To find out where you can catch us in person across our catchment area, please contact us at [admin@mlc.org.au](mailto:admin@mlc.org.au).



## University Placement Programs with MLC



MLC is proud to partner with leading universities, including UTS and USYD, to offer unique placement opportunities for law students both in Australia and abroad. This month, we hosted law students from Guangdong University of Foreign Studies in China for 3 weeks across our various legal teams. These placement programs provide invaluable, hands-on experience in a community legal centre setting, where the students are able to observe and directly assist our lawyers in providing crucial legal information and support to vulnerable clients.

## **Support Access to Justice For All**

Our profession is calling on all governments to significantly increase their support for Australia's legal assistance sector. Our sector has suffered greatly from decades of being chronically underfunded and not being able to keep up with demand for our services.

Urgent action is needed as confirmed Commonwealth funding ends in less than 12 months. Support the cause by learning more [here](#) and sharing on your social media platforms and other networks.

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FUND JUSTICE | EMPOWER COMMUNITIES

We call on all governments to urgently support Australia's legal assistance sector. The legal assistance sector is in crisis due to underfunding.

**Urgent action is needed!**

Show your support | Join the cause



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**Have you signed up to run the Sydney Marathon this year?** Consider supporting Marrickville Legal Centre by fundraising on our behalf and make your race a run for justice. You're already challenging yourself to run in the Sydney Marathon, so make your efforts count and help to support our mission to provide #JusticeForUsAll.

If you raise \$500 or more as an individual, you will receive the FULL cost of your ticket back in your bank account.

[Start fundraising by registering here.](#)

**Not running but still want to support MLC?** Volunteer on the day of the race, Sunday 15 September 2024. For every person who volunteers by [signing up through this special link](#), the Sydney Marathon will donate \$40 to MLC. There are multiple roles/shifts you can choose from.

Anyone can volunteer so please share this link widely to friends and family who are keen to get involved!

## **We're turning 45! Be a part of our 45 Years of MLC Highlight Video**

*Calling all MLC supporters!* This year, MLC is celebrating 45 years of dedicated legal services and advocacy. To celebrate, we are asking for video submissions from you. Send in a 30 second video telling us why you support MLC and our mission to provide #JusticeForUsAll

and we'll include your video in our 45 Years of MLC highlight video.

Videos can be made right on your phone. Please be sure to film in portrait. Please send in your videos to Mickey Arai, Fundraising & Communications Officer at [marai@mlc.org.au](mailto:marai@mlc.org.au).  
Deadline: 1st October 2024.

## Work at MLC



We are looking for **an experienced family lawyer** to join the legal team at Marrickville Legal Centre. This is an exciting opportunity to join our passionate team and deliver family law services in Sydney's inner west, south & south west. For more details, please click [here](#).

We are also looking for a **volunteer graphic designer** who can help us design print and digital marketing collateral. If you're interested and would like more information, please reach out to MLC's Fundraising and Communications Officer, Mickey Arai at [marai@mlc.org.au](mailto:marai@mlc.org.au).

Warmly,

MLC Team



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