

**Vision:** Equal access to justice

**Purpose/mission:** To assist those experiencing disadvantage through pro bono legal assistance.

Law Access coordinates the provision of pro bono (free or reduced cost) legal assistance by the Western Australian legal profession. The service is targeted at not-for-profits and individuals in genuine need of legal assistance who satisfy a means and merits test.

## Strategic Plan 2022 - 2025

Law Access Ltd was established on 11 December 2014 as a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Law Society. Law Access is a company limited by guarantee and a public benevolent institution registered with the Australian Charities and Not for Profits Commission.

In addition to its Board, the work of Law Access is informed by a Stakeholder Advisory Committee with representatives from the Courts, Legal Aid, legal industry associations, community legal centres, university law schools and practitioners representatives (including from regional areas). Law Access acknowledges our principal supporters, the Law Society and the University of Western Australia.

Enhancing services	Working in partnership	Building capacity	Ensuring sustainability
Advocate and educate for access to justice	Work with universities and Government to build an evidence base for access to justice and pro bono	Procure IT systems to manage service provision and enhance communications	Maintain a quality workforce
Increase engagement of pro bono lawyers	Collaborate with others in the legal assistance sector to improve services	Explore new opportunities for fund-raising and other support	Attract and retain volunteers and pro bono lawyers through recognition and support
Innovate in service delivery to address unmet legal need	Work with the Law Society and in particular its Access to Justice Committee	Measure performance, learn and continuously improve	Build brand and profile through sector engagement
Implement the WA Pro Bono Model Project	Build a strong and sustainable pro bono lawyer pipeline starting with student volunteers	Develop and maintain the organisational knowledge base	Demonstrate social impact
Provide training and resources for pro bono lawyers	Engage law firms and the independent Bar to encourage pro bono participation		Attract and retain funding and other support
Remove barriers to justice (eg. funding disbursements)			