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LJF General Grants now open

The Law and Justice Foundation (LJF) is pleased to announce that the June round of the 2015 General Grants program opens on 1 June.

The grants program is aimed at projects that will identify effective reforms, initiatives and programs to address legal need.

Not for profits and community organisations are able to apply. For more information, see the Grants page of the LJF website or contact the grants team on grants@lawfoundation.net.au

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Community legal education

Advanced negotiation skills (NSW), 2016, [Workshop], Public Interest Advocacy Centre - Workshops, \$250, 02 8898 6503, piac@piac.asn.au.

This practical one-day workshop includes the 'principled' or 'interest-based' negotiation approach from the work of the Harvard Negotiation Project. Having the skills and confidence to negotiate is an essential part of advocacy. Learn to strengthen your bargaining position through thoughtful planning, develop effective skills, strategies and techniques, and identify your value and power in any negotiation. Wednesday 8 June, 9.00am - 4.30pm. Level 5, 175 Liverpool Street, Sydney. Contact Sarah Ludowici on 02 8898 6500, sludowici@piac.asn.au

Domestic violence and the law basics (NSW), 2016, [Workshop], Women's Legal Services NSW, \$120 plus processing fee, 02 8745 6900, reception@wlsnsw.org.au

This workshop is on legal issues associated with domestic violence and is aimed at community workers including domestic violence workers, social workers, case workers, support workers, counsellors and health workers. Training is by experienced WLS solicitors providing practical learning using examples, case studies and activities to increase confidence in identifying legal issues and providing accurate legal information and referrals. To be held on 22 June 9am to 4.30pm at Anglicare, 16 Parkes St, Parramatta. Resources to take away. Register online.

Introduction to social enterprises, 2016, [Webinar], Justice Connect (NSW), 02 9114 1793, admin@justiceconnect.org.au

This webinar will outline the key features and the legal issues involved in starting and running a social enterprise. It is suitable for groups starting a new social enterprise and for existing organisations considering adding a social enterprise to their activities. The content applies to Victoria and NSW and is legal information only. Wednesday 20 July. Register online.

Principles and guidelines for NGOs working with trafficked people (NSW), 2016, [Online], Anti-Slavery Australia, Free, 02 9514 8115, help@mybluesky.org.au

A new module has been launched as part of an online e-learning course on slavery, slavery-like practices and human trafficking. The new module reflects the 2015 NGO guidelines for working with trafficked people which were updated to include forced marriage and reflect Australia's new legislation.

Talking law series (NSW), 2016, [Workshop], Central Coast Community Legal Centre, Free, 02 4353 4988, centralcoast@clc.net.au

This series provides practical legal skills training for community workers. Dealing with family and community services: how to help clients with care and protection law is on 20 June from 10.00am to 12.30pm. How to work with lawyers to get the best results for clients is on 20 July from 10.00am to 12.30pm. All sessions are held at Central Coast Community Legal Centre. Register attendance by phone or email.

Training on tax concessions for NFPs (NSW), 2016, [Workshop], Justice Connect (NSW), 02 9114 1793, admin@justiceconnect.org.au

The latest training seminar on legal issues for NFP organisations provided by experts from Justice Connect's member law firms. This seminar will explore the tax concessions available to NFPs using case studies and examples to outline the key tax concessions available, consider how tax concessions work in practice, explain situations that might trigger a tax issue and highlight areas where a NFP may need advice from a tax specialist. It is presented by tax and charity law specialists from Clayton Utz, Elizabeth Stubbs, senior associate with the national tax team specialising in tax dispute resolution and tax advice, and senior associates Kelvin Ng and Louisa Wu. The seminar will run on 20 June from 9.30am to 12.30pm and includes morning tea.

Working with other NFPs (NSW), 2016, [Webinar], Justice Connect (NSW), 02 9114 1793, admin@justiceconnect.org.au

This webinar outlines the legal options available for working with other NFPs, top key legal issues to consider and the



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pitfalls that can arise from poorly planned collaborations. Wednesday 15 June. Register online.

Forthcoming publications

Complaints register (Australia), 2016, [Web page], NSW Fair Trading, 13 32 20

This new online register due to launch in August will list businesses who receive 10 or more complaints made to Fair Trading in a calendar month. The register will include the name of the business, the number of complaints and the product categories. Register guidelines are available online.

Guides to the law

Door-to-door sales: what you need to know (NSW), 2016, 2p. [Pamphlet], NSW Fair Trading, 13 32 20

This new pamphlet outlines important things to know about people's rights when a door-to-door salesperson or a telemarketer makes contact. Door-to-door sales including telemarketing are sales methods that can lead to unsolicited consumer agreements.

Forced labour and forced marriage multilingual resource kit (NSW), 2016, [Kit], Anti-Slavery Australia, 02 9514 8115, help@mybluesky.org.au

This kit for students, frontline workers and community members includes five resources which explain risk factors and referral pathways for individuals facing or at risk of forced labour and forced marriage. It includes a reception poster, a discreet business card, information flyers about forced labour and forced marriage and a folding booklet about forced marriage for school students. These materials have been translated into 13 languages – Amharic, Arabic, Bengali, Dari, Farsi, Hindi, Korean, Punjabi, Chinese, Tagalog, Thai, Urdu and Vietnamese. Multilingual information flyers and business card are available to download and the reception poster is available on request from antislavery@uts.edu.au

Memory loss, dementia and your money (NSW), 2016, [Web page], Australian Securities & Investments Commission (ASIC), 1300 300 630

This resource explains how to set up finances so they can continue to be managed responsibly if someone develops dementia and can no longer do this themselves. It covers four areas: how memory loss can affect your finances, planning ahead to protect your money, protecting yourself from financial abuse and where to get support to plan the future.

My consumer rights (Australia), 2016, [Video], NSW Fair Trading, 13 32 20

Four new languages has been added to the series. There are now videos in 11 languages on consumer rights under the Australian Consumer Law covering shopping rights, shopping refunds, guarantee and warranties, lay-by agreements, contracts and resolving issues, and lodging complaints. The latest videos are in Assyrian, Dari, Mandarin and Vietnamese.

Parents check the check (NSW), 2016, [Web page], NSW Office of the Children's Guardian, 02 8219 3600, kids@kidsguardian.nsw.gov.au

A new webpage advises parents how to check that tutors and others working with children under 18 are complying with the regulations by asking them to provide a working with children check application or clearance number then verifying that number online.

Talking mobile phones with students (NSW), 2016, [Web page], Australian Securities & Investments Commission (ASIC), 1300 300 630

This teaching resource covers digital learning activities which include topics such as advertising, calls messaging, choosing a mobile plan and consumer rights to help young people aged 5-12, navigate real-life issues such as phone plans, contracts, privacy and data costs.

Talking turkey (NSW), 2016, 52p. [Booklet], Inner City Legal Centre, Free, 02 9332 1966, iclc@iclc.org.au

This is the 4th edition of this guide to the law around starting a family and parenting in NSW for lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, intersex and queer parents and donors. It outlines the legal rights and responsibilities of parties involved in donor insemination, surrogacy and co-parenting arrangements.

Voting and elections (Hot topics 84) (Australia), 2016, Legal Information Access Centre (LIAC), liac.library@sl.nsw.gov.au

The Hot Topics: Voting and Elections has been updated to include the 2016 changes to the Senate ballot. It is available online.

Why add financial literacy to your teacher toolkit? (NSW), 2016, [Website], Australian Securities & Investments Commission (ASIC), 1300 300 630

A recent addition to the collection of teaching videos from ASIC's MoneySmart team and its supporters, providing money tips.

Searchable Plain Language Law (PLL) database

Resources included in past editions of the newsletter can be found in our PLL Database which contains over 1,200 resources and is searchable using the PLL search tool. Resources are searchable by format (e.g. DVD, booklet, etc.), language, law type and target group.

About PLL

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