



Annual Report 2017

A stylized, hand-drawn illustration of a city skyline. The buildings are rendered in various shades of green, blue, and brown, with some featuring windows and architectural details. The overall style is sketchy and artistic. Overlaid on the center of the illustration is the text "Legal services for young people under 18 and homeless youth under 25 in Ontario." in a white, sans-serif font.

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under 18 and homeless youth
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Voice. Empowerment. Justice.





Justice for Children and Youth (JFCY)

JFCY is a non-profit community legal aid clinic that specializes in protecting the rights of young people facing conflicts with the legal, education, social service or mental health systems. JFCY was formally incorporated as the Canadian Foundation for Children Youth and the Law in 1978, and has operated as Justice for Children and Youth since 1990. This year we celebrate our 39th anniversary.

JFCY's mission is to protect and advance the legal rights and dignity of children and youth in Canada.

Voice and empowerment are important tenants of the mission. Providing children and youth with the tools and context which allows them to speak for themselves as individual rights holders in our society is the most effective way to preserve their rights.

JFCY's vision is to increase our impact on the rights and dignity of children and youth by providing a deeper offering of sustainable community development, public legal education and direct legal services.



Message from the Chair

As we approach this year's annual general meeting, it is time to thank a number of board members who have moved on or are not seeking re-election. Jane Gaskell has served us for a number of years initially as our liaison with Social Venture Partners, who provided us with financial and organizational support to improve our overall governance; she has put in significant time to help review and improve a number of board policies, a long overdue job. Lisa Brisebois provided a tremendous amount of support in consolidating and redrafting our workplace safety and harassment policies drawing upon her tremendous human resources experience; she had to leave us when she moved on to a challenging new position with the Ontario government, but not before completing what she had promised to do for us. Shelley McIntyre had to leave us early when she could no longer dedicate the necessary amount of time to do a good job as a volunteer owing to a new position as a Crown Attorney coupled with her family commitments. And finally our most recent departure is Grace Greatrix, our most recent chair of the Board governance committee – not an easy task to try to govern the sometime ungovernable; her focus on getting the job done ensured that we got through all of the tasks we had set for ourselves and she leaves the organization in better shape than when she joined us. I am grateful for having such dedicated volunteers on the board and wish them well as they move on to more great work. This might sound like a significant amount of turnover. However, they all made important contributions to the organization such that our new recruits will be able to pick up where they left off to continue to improve and grow the organization. The next task that faces us is an updating of our strategic plan; so, there is plenty of interesting work for our volunteers to do over the next year.



Finally, I wish to express gratitude, on behalf of the entire board, for the dedicated work of the staff of the clinic. This has been an unprecedented year for court interventions. While the board rarely gets to hear about individual cases that are handled by our staff lawyers, owing to strict rules of confidentiality, we do get to weigh



in on whether we intervene in test cases. The fact that JFCY has been granted leave to provide legal arguments in so many cases involving the rights of children and youth speaks to the expertise of our staff lawyers and the trust that courts and litigants have in their contributions to important cases that have significant impact beyond the individuals involved.

Finding the right balance between these types of cases with broader influence on the law and the need to represent individual children and youth who have limited resources to access justice in their own lives, is not an easy task. It is, however, something that Justice for Children and Youth does exceedingly well. I am proud to continue to be a part of this organization and contribute in some small way in the continued good work that it does.

Cheryl Milne, Chair and President

JFCY Board Members

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JFCY Staff

Front Row (L to R): Andrea Luey, Staff Lawyer
Mary Birdsell, Executive Director
Alex Battick, Articling Student

Back Row (L to R): Jane Stewart, Staff Lawyer
Jesse Mark, Staff Lawyer
Julia Huys, Street Youth Legal Services Lawyer
Karin Baqi, Staff Lawyer
Athena Caldarola, Legal Assistant
Emily Chan, Community Development Lawyer
Karien Gibson, Office Manager

Not pictured: Ah-Young Bailey, Reception
Samira Ahmed, Staff Lawyer - on leave



Message from the Executive Director

In 2017, as in each year before, we “strive to protect and advance the legal rights and dignity of children and youth in Canada”. The end of 2017 brings the end of the first full year of a number of important growth events – notably the first full year in our new Co-Operative space, and the first full year of new stable funding from Legal Aid Ontario for an increased staff compliment that includes our Street Youth Legal Services work. In light of growing child poverty and ever increasing demand for our services, we are very grateful for these much needed new resources.

With the benefit of an engaged and dedicated Board of Directors, an inspiring and enthusiastic group of students and volunteers, and an incredibly devoted staff, we continue to work hard providing clinical legal services to some of the most marginalized and vulnerable people in Ontario. We continue to see clients with increasingly complex personal, social and legal issues - physical disabilities, brain injuries, abuse and exploitation, homelessness, and mental health issues. Within these contexts, we work to assist children and young people to have their voices heard, and to overcome systemic barriers to access to justice - including many forms of discrimination and social exclusion. We work to promote an anti-oppressive child rights based framework in legal and social systems, and to provide skilled trauma informed services to our clients.

As you will read in the pages that follow, we have been engaged in a vast array of work - appearing at a number of administrative tribunals, and all levels of court, from youth criminal justice and family courts, to the Supreme Court of Canada; working with lawyers, community agencies, children’s services providers, social justice organizations, governments, and child rights advocates across the province and around the country; and engaging with young people in a variety of community based settings.

Every day, we work directly with young people seeking to exercise their rights, express their views, escape hardship and find a better way forward. These young people share their lived experience, wisdom and hope with us. They teach us to understand our world in ways that appreciate and dignify their experiences, and to be better lawyers, better advocates.

We thank you for your interest in the work of JFCY, and hope that you will join us in our efforts to seek justice for children and youth in Canada.

Mary Birdsell, Executive Director





Casework

The staff lawyers at JFCY provide direct legal representation in all areas of law affecting low-income children and youth under 18 and homeless youth under 25. Summary advice, brief services and direct legal representation are provided to our vulnerable clients.

The charts on these two pages illustrate the types of calls that JFCY receives.

This year, JFCY lawyers attended various tribunals (including the HRT0, CFSRB and CICB) and all levels of court on behalf of our clients. Our casework has been successful in special education accommodations and fighting expulsions/exclusions in the school setting, effecting changes to the practices of various institutions to ensure privacy rights of young people are protected, ensuring income maintenance is provided to young people in need, getting monetary awards in Criminal Injuries Compensation, Child Support and Employment cases, permanent residence status being granted, and gaining sibling access.

INTAKES - BY AREA OF LAW / SUBJECT (OCT 2016 - SEP 2017)	TOTAL	%
Administrative	77	3%
Child Welfare	38	1%
Criminal	460	20%
Criminal Injuries Compensation Board	25	1%
Demand Letters	120	5%
Education	529	24%
Employment	21	1%
Family	286	13%
Health Care	52	2%
Housing	74	3%
Human Rights	19	1%
Immigration and Refugee	92	4%
Income Maintenance	93	4%
Leaving Home	248	11%
Miscellaneous	42	2%
Police Complaints	19	1%
Violence	43	2%
Will and Estates	11	1%
TOTAL*	2249	

*Greater than 13% increase from the previous year's total of 1969 intakes.

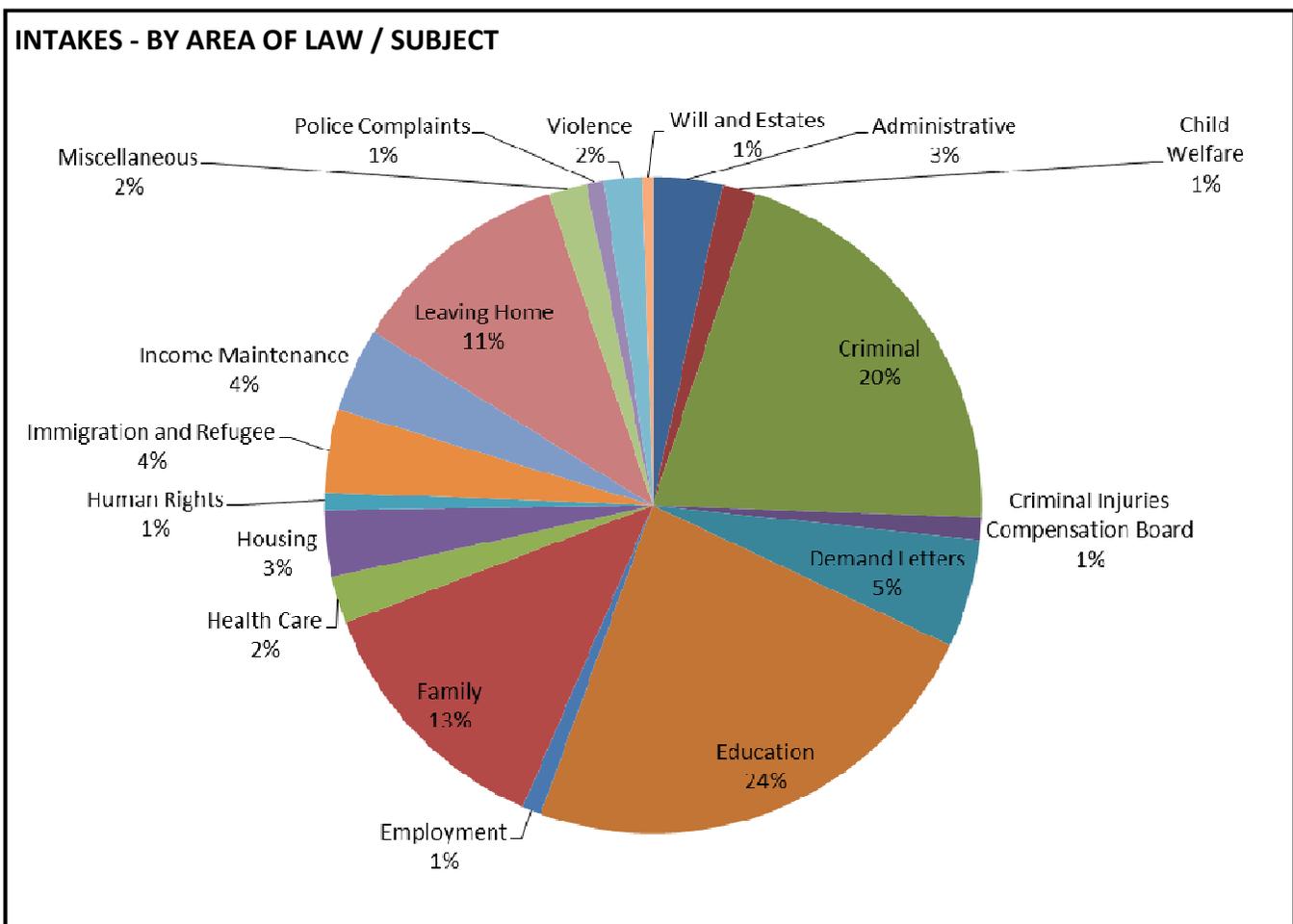


Specialized Roles

Quasi “Duty Counsel” in Truancy Court - JFCY continues to provide duty counsel services in Truancy Court at 311 Jarvis Court; and ensures that the underlying circumstances of young people are heard and addressed appropriately. We endeavour to reduce the use of the justice system for school attendance issues.

Special Education Appeal Board - JFCY lawyer invited to be on a SEAB panel, hearing was held in Smiths Falls.

Advice and Support to Lawyers - JFCY provides advice and support to lawyers across the province who provide child-rights oriented representation.





Test Case Litigation

JFCY's engagement in test case litigation aims to protect and advance the legal rights of all children and youth, ensure decisions comply with domestic law and the *Charter*, and focus the court's attention on child rights principles, including the Best Interests of the Child principle, as provided for under the United Nations *Convention on the Rights of Child* and international law.

In the last year, JFCY was counsel to clients, appointed *Amicus Curiae* by the courts, and asked to intervene in various test cases by the parties involved. A sample of the cases JFCY was involved in this year:



James Chadwick Rankin, carrying on business as Rankin's Garage & Sales v. J.J. by his Litigation Guardian, J.A.J., et al.

Supreme Court of Canada, Case No 37323, hearing date Oct 5, 2017, decision pending.

JFCY intervened, with McCarthy's acting as co-counsel (on a *Pro-Bono* basis), on a case regarding the appropriate analysis to be applied in negligence law regarding the duty of care owed by a defendant automotive garage toward a teenaged plaintiff who was injured in an accident as a passenger in a stolen car. JFCY made submissions to the Supreme Court of Canada about how the law should consider a young person's actions when that young person is injured and is a plaintiff in a case where the defendant is found to owe a duty of care. JFCY argued that the "adult activities" doctrine should not be used to prevent a young person from seeking damages, and that criminal behaviour engaged in by a young person must be assessed in a manner consistent with the principles of the *Youth Criminal Justice Act*, and international law norms.



R v TB-J, Ontario Court of Appeal, 2017 OCA 746

JFCY intervened in an appeal by the Crown of the sentence of a “reprimand” imposed by the Youth Court on two young people found guilty under the *Youth Criminal Justice Act* (YCJA); a reprimand is a unique sentence created under the YCJA. The Crown asked the court to limit the situations where a “reprimand” may be used. JFCY argued that for the youth criminal justice system to be appropriately responsive to an individual young person and to meaningfully address the underlying causes of youthful offending behaviour, courts should not have unnecessary limits placed on their discretion to use all of the sentencing options provided for by the legislation. The Court quickly made a decision consistent with JFCY’s submissions, noting that the sentencing judge had appropriately considered all the relevant factors that the young people had taken substantial rehabilitative measurements on their own.

Lewis v Canada (Public Safety and Emergency Preparedness)

Federal Court of Appeal, 2017 FCA 130

JFCY intervened in an appeal of an Enforcement Officer’s decision to deport the sole parent of a Canadian Aboriginal child who could not remain in Canada without her father. JFCY’s intervention focused on the Best Interests of the Child principle as being central to the decision-making process; and that when the child has Aboriginal status, this requires giving due consideration to the government’s historical discrimination against Aboriginal people, the long-standing harm caused by the former residential school system, and the current government’s commitment to reconciliation. The Court found that the Enforcement Officer’s decision was unreasonable because they had failed to consider the short-term impact that deportation would have on the child’s connection to her indigenous roots and that the decision maker’s assumption that the child could return to Canada was based on pure speculation.



Boyer v Huang, Ontario Court of Justice,
2017 ONCJ 272

In relation to a civil proceeding seeking damages for a fire to his home, an Applicant sought access to the youth records of several “John Doe” Respondents, who were all young people as provided for under the *Youth Criminal Justice Act* (YCJA). JFCY represented one of the young people and made submissions regarding the proper test for access to these records when they remained “open” or when they were “closed”. The Justice set out the factors to be used under both provisions, instructed the young person’s names to be initialized, and ordered that the records could not be reproduced, disclosed or published for any other purpose, and that they be destroyed by the parties at the expiry of the appeal period of any final order of the other Court.



Policy and Law Reform

JFCY advocates for law and policy reform, and endeavours to respond to current developments and proposed changes to the laws that affect the rights of children and youth. Our ability to engage in this work is informed by our case work, and the lives and experiences of our clients. The lived experience of our clients animates our efforts to ensure that law and policy meaningfully support children and their rights.

Activities from this past year include:

Written and oral submissions regarding Bill 89 – the **Supporting Children, Youth and Families Act**. This new legislation will entirely replace the existing child welfare legislation. It concerns the child welfare system, and the treatment of children who are deprived of their liberty in mental health and criminal justice contexts. JFCY fully supports an improved system that puts children at the centre of the process, and the legislation explicitly recognizing the United Nations *Convention on the Rights of the Child* and its incorporation by reference. JFCY also expressed concerns about the rights of children, in specific contexts - seeking to ensure that the evolving capacities' of children are respected, providing agency to 16 and 17 year olds in the process, seeking to abolish the use of secure isolation and mechanical restraints, or at least using a least restrictive means approach. In developing our submissions JFCY met with many other interested organizations, and were consulted regarding the position being taken regarding 16 and 17 year olds.

JFCY provided written submissions regarding a **Bill to amend the Citizenship Act**, and consulted with Senator Oh's office regarding changes that would make it possible for children under 18 to apply for citizenship, and will make a very significant difference in the lives of children in the care of children's aid societies, and our homeless clients.

We made submissions to the Federal Government **Consultation on an Immigration Detention Framework**. Our submission focussed on the issues of children and young people, and sought to have a prohibition on the immigration detention of children and young people.

In relation to these submissions, JFCY was consulted by the **UNHCR** on the possible development of a Best Interests of the Child Assessment Tool to be used by decision makers in the context of children who might be placed in immigration detention.

JFCY participated in a Joint submission to the Working Group on the **United Nation's Universal Period Review of Canada** regarding rights violations associated with Canada's treatment of vulnerable persons in immigration detention. This submission was lead by the University of Toronto's International Human Rights Program. Other contributors included the Canadian Civil Liberties Association, and Amnesty International.

JFCY participated in an array of consultations by the **Motherisk Commission of Inquiry** regarding the legislative framework, supporting and improving the skill and function of the child protection bar, and on developing a restorative justice approach to address the wrongs occasioned by the Motherisk hair strand testing. Throughout we sought to ensure an approach that would put children's rights at the centre of the thinking and proposal development.



We have been engaged in an ongoing consultation regarding possible changes to **Ontario's Family Law Rules** regarding children's participation in the family courts, especially regarding matters initiated by young people. These consultations seek to ensure an appropriate balance in the complex milieu of family law considerations, so that children's rights are respected - including the right to be heard and the right to be protected from harm.

Through our work with the Ontario Bar Association, JFCY has been able to contribute to submissions and consultations on a variety of issues, including:

- Submissions to the Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services (MCSCS) regarding the regulations for public information on **street stops / carding**;
- Submissions to the Legislature regarding the proposed **Child, Youth and Family Services Act**;
- Submissions to the Ministry of the Attorney General regarding the **proposed Toronto Court**, and its impact on youth criminal justice;
- Submissions regarding Ontario's Bill called the **Anti-Human Trafficking Act**;
- Consultations with MCSCS regarding development of **Missing Person's legislation**.

JFCY's policy and position papers can be accessed online:

<http://jfcy.org/en/online-resources/policy-position-papers/>

Community Leader *Showcase*

Emily Chan
Community Development Lawyer
at Justice for Children and Youth
Toronto, 2002 Call

"My earliest inspiration came from my elementary school teachers in Toronto's public school system. They supported and encouraged me to find ways to contribute to the community through incremental individual effort."

FACL Federation of Asian Canadian Lawyers

May 29@FACL Ontario tweeted:

[#CommunityLeader @JFCY](#)'s Emily Chan is a youth rights champion & passionate community organizer.

Find out more: <http://bit.ly/2psh0k5>.



Community Projects and Partnerships

A part of JFCY's vision is to provide a deep offering of sustainable community development. JFCY remains involved in a number of on-going partnerships, engaged in new initiatives and has provided consultation in various sectors.

A selection of this work:

The Executive Director is the Chair of the Child and Youth Law section of the Ontario Bar Association (2016-2018) and Treasurer for the Canadian Coalition on the Rights of the Children.

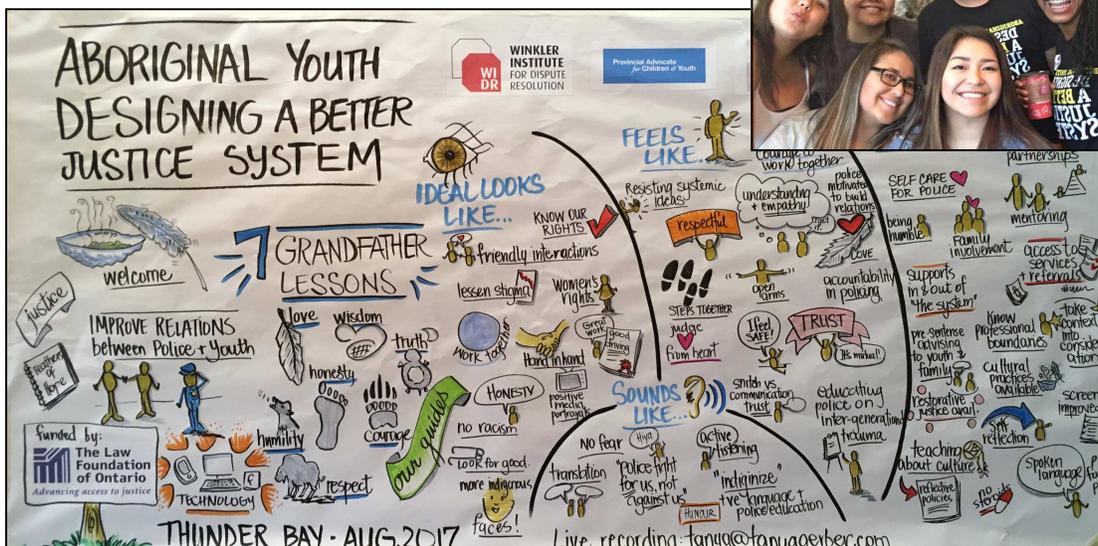
JFCY is on the Steering Committee of Ryerson University's Cross-Over Youth Project.

JFCY was on the Advisory Committee for Legal Aid Ontario's Black Education Law Grants.

Continued involvement in committees and advisory roles such as 311 Jarvis Advisory and Community Youth Court committees; the Provincial Advisory Committee on the Child Cluster at the Social Justice Tribunals Ontario, and the Ministry of Child and Youth Services' Youth Justice Advisory Panel.

Partnership with Peacebuilders to create an in-school restorative justice program; this is an on-going multi-year initiative with the Toronto District School Board, Toronto Police Service, and various community members and agencies. Funded by Trillium.

Design Thinking project led by the Winkler Institute for Dispute Resolution and in partnership with the Ontario Justice Education Network and the Ontario Provincial Advocate for Children and Youth. Funded by the Law Foundation of Ontario.





Street Youth Legal Services (SYLS)

Street-involved and homeless youth often have multiple and interconnected legal problems. Complex barriers, including a lack of financial resources, social isolation and mistrust often prevent our clients from getting the help they need.

SYLS delivers legal services directly to street-involved and homeless youth in partnership with all of the street youth serving agencies in Toronto. A lawyer from JFCY meets with youth on-site at the agencies where they congregate to access other services, such as health care, food, employment assistance and counseling. These front-line legal services are provided to reduce the existing barriers to access to justice for our most vulnerable citizens.

The SYLS lawyer also engages in community development and law reform; this year's activities included:

Contributing the chapter on “Addressing the Legal Needs of LGBTQ2S Youth Experiencing Homelessness” in a book published by the Canadian Observatory on Homelessness.

Abramovich, A., & Shelton, J. (Eds.). (2017). *Where Am I Going to Go? Intersectional Approaches to Ending LGBTQ2S Youth Homelessness in Canada & the U.S.* Toronto: Canadian Observatory on Homelessness Press. Hosted at the Homeless Hub: www.homelesshub.ca/WhereAmIGoingToGo

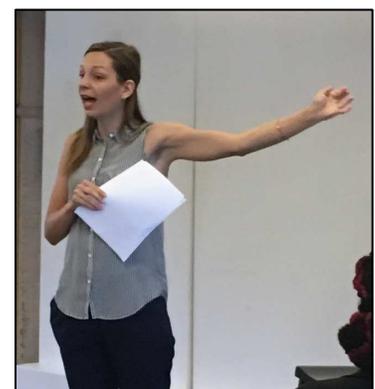


Acting Out! - *Street Law Smarts*, a Sketch Working Arts and JFCY partnership; the SYLS lawyer and young people with lived experience provide experiential legal information workshops to people whose work connects them with youth experiencing homelessness.

Being on the Advisory Committee for Sex Trafficking with Covenant House and the Advisory Committee for the Canadian Observatory on Homelessness.

Presentations on LGBTQ youth homelessness for the Ontario Bar Association's SOGIC and Child and Youth sections; on human trafficking, sex work and victim's rights at the *Domestic Sex Trafficking: A 'Lessons from Behind the Door' Conversation* symposium; and on the human rights of homeless youth for the Canadian Alliance to End Homelessness conference.

Hosting the annual Street Law Smarts Forum with SKETCH, designed to train front line service providers from street youth serving agencies.





Public Legal Education (PLE)

In conjunction with meeting the legal needs of our clients, JFCY creates and maintains a wide range of public legal education materials and an on-line Legal Wiki. This year, over 12,000 hardcopies of our publications were distributed at various events and we have had over 2700 visits to the publications download page of our website.

Demand for speaking engagements remains high and JFCY lawyers have delivered over 200 presentations this past year, including:

Workshops for young people

We provide workshops for young people in any context in which young people find themselves - in school assemblies, conferences, classrooms, alternative attendance programs and after-school programs, in community agencies and centres such as Skylark and METRAC, and Blakes' annual Take Your Kids to Work Day.

Training for post-secondary students and front-line professionals

Such as principal candidates, provincial advocates, guidance counselors, child welfare workers, children's mental health care providers, probation officers, Toronto Police College candidates, undergraduate and law students, youth justice workers, and youth employment counselors from various service agencies - specialized professional training on ensuring a child rights based approach in practice for professionals who work with children and young people.

For lawyers and adjudicators

Through Osgoode's CPD programs, the Law Society of Upper Canada, the Ontario Bar Association and the Canadian Bar Association; Duty Counsel training, for Human Rights Tribunal of Ontario adjudicators, at the Canadian Association for the Practical Study of Law in Education conference, and at legal clinic training conferences.

For other audiences at specialized events

Including the annual International Summer Course on the Rights of the Child at the University of Moncton; *Connect, Create, Communicate - Public Legal Education and the Access to Justice Movement* conference; Understanding Dyslexia conference; FASD and Youth Justice/Intervention conference; and Children's Participation in Justice Processes: Finding the Best Ways

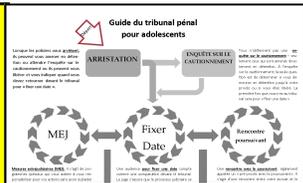
Realizing Rights 2017: Human Rights and Constitutionalism conference. Panel members for *Child rights from Aspiration to Realization* (from left): Irwin Elman, Mona Pare, Kathy Vandergrift, Mary Birdsell.



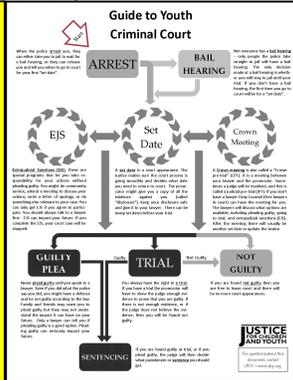


New PLE materials have been updated & created:

Guide:
Processus du Tribunal pénal pour adolescents
 Voir également le guide connexe: Enquête sur le cautionnement au Tribunal pénal pour adolescents



Guide to:
Youth Criminal Court Process
 See also related guide: Bail in Youth Criminal Court



Guide:
Enquête sur le cautionnement devant le Tribunal pour adolescents
 Voir également le guide connexe: Le processus de cautionnement pour adolescents

Guide to:
Bail in Youth Criminal Court
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Guide:
Des droits de la personne en Ontario
 Voir également: Préoccupations juridiques en lien avec LGBTQI2S

Guide to:
Human Rights in Ontario
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Guide:
Commission d'indemnisation des victimes d'actes criminels

Guide to:
Criminal Injuries Compensation Board

PLE materials made available in French through funding from French Language Services by Legal Aid Ontario.



In the Media

JFCY lawyers receive requests for interviews regarding our cases, background information on the legal landscape for children and youth in Ontario and Canada, and commentary on the relevant issues that impact the rights of our clients. A sample of when we have appeared in TV, radio and in print media:

National Online Journalist article regarding the immigration detention of a child highlighting that “- a detention hearing can now consider whether a detained parent’s perception of the child’s best interests makes them less of a flight risk, or more likely to comply with release conditions.”:

globalnews.ca/news/2953723/immigration-detention-woefully-unsuited-for-children-report-charges/

City News interview about new teacher’s legislation that permits students to marry teachers without fear of discipline:

www.citynews.ca/2016/11/03/video-exploring-students-right-to-marry-teachers-in-context-of-bill-37/?show_id=0

Interviews on the topic of CAS not gaining immigration status for children in their care:

www.cbc.ca/news/canada/nova-scotia/fliss-cramman-citizenship-case-highlights-legal-gaps-1.3839006
globalnews.ca/video/3076275/immigration-minister-steps-in-to-help-fliss-cramman-gain-citizenship

Toronto Star coverage on JFCY’s SYLS program and a SYLS client:

www.thestar.com/news/gta/2016/12/26/legal-service-offers-support-to-vulnerable-youth.html

Canadian Lawyer legal feed post regarding statistics on youth in remand custody:

www.canadianlawyermag.com/legalfeeds/3629/number-of-youth-in-remand-custody-up.html

Halifax Chronicle Herald article regarding a young man who grew up in Canada and may be deported after CAS failed to have his immigration status confirmed:

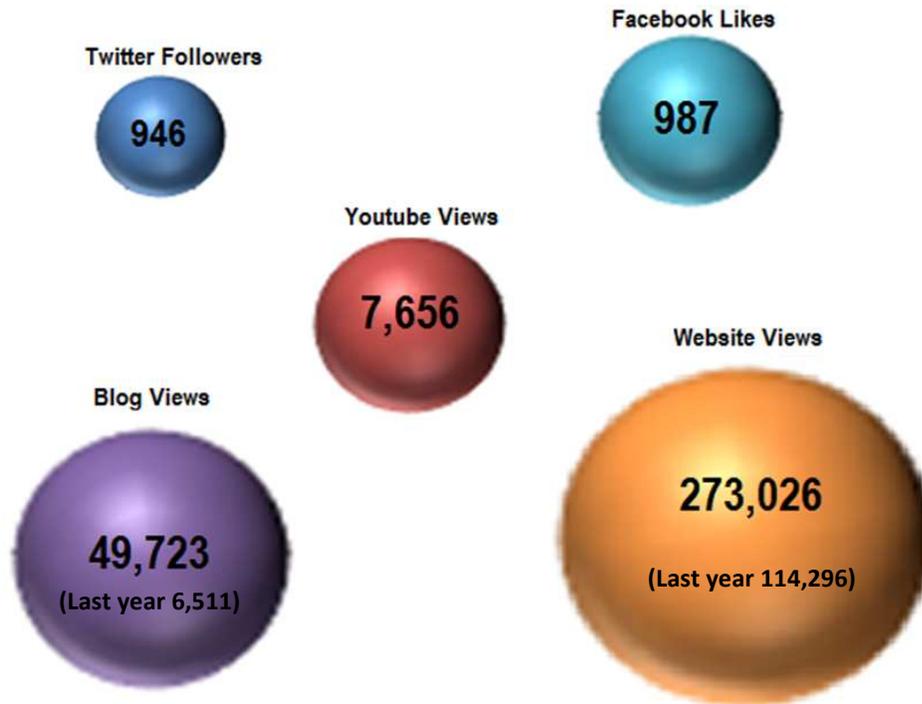
<http://thechronicleherald.ca/novascotia/1504811-rights-group-loses-battle-to-help-former-child-refugee>

Speaking at a media conference at Queen’s Park about the targeting of homeless youth through the Safe Streets Act and the need to target causes of extreme poverty. Fair Change formally launched the current Safe Streets Act challenge at this event.





Online Presence



Students

JFCY hosts students to provide opportunities to learn about children's rights, develop skills and enhance the work of the office. This past year we have had students on secondment from Blakes' law firm, academic placement from Ryerson University's Bachelor of Social Work program, through Pro Bono Students Canada, grants from Maytree Foundation, grants from the University of Ottawa Law School and Harvard Law School, and practicum students from the University of Toronto Law School.



2017 summer students wearing JFCY T-shirts (from left):
Isabel McQuarrie - Harvard Law School,
Louell Taye - secondment from Blakes,
Amen Alam - University of Ottawa Law School,
Fahima Karimi - Maytree Foundation.
Not pictured: Kim Sebeg - secondment from Peacebuilders.



Volunteers

We are grateful to our dedicated **Board Members** who make our work possible by bringing a range of skills and commitment to the advancement of social justice and children's rights.

The **Policy Advisory Panel** members, composed of expert scholars and professionals from a range of disciplines most relevant to our work, volunteer their time to share research, write or review materials, and provide expert advice to the lawyers at JFCY.

The **Development and Fundraising Committee** members work to enhance the clinic's ability to raise funds in a variety of ways to support the organization's unfunded and underfunded work.

Special Thanks

Chandra McIvor, Policy and Curriculum Director at EGALE, Member of JFCY's Advisory Panel. For a comprehensive review of our website on how we can be more inclusive of LGBTQ2S youth and suggestions for legal content that LGBTQ2S youth seek.

Nanette Rosen, a volunteer to assist high needs clients with transportation and accompanying clients to meetings, etc. Nanette is a senior lawyer for the RCMP on a leave of absence and her husband is a lawyer and Board member of Eva's Phoenix; they have a transgendered son and she wishes to provide supports to our clients. They heard about us from our presentations at the OBA LGBTQ youth homelessness event. She has also joined the Fundraising committee.

McCarthy's LLP, Bryn Gray, Carole Piovesan, and Paulina Bogdanova, for pro bono support to JFCY's test case litigation in James Chadwick Rankin v. J.J. (see page 9)

Supporters and Donors

Thank you to all our members and individual donors who continue to support JFCY.

The logo for Blakes is written in a stylized, cursive script.



Funders

