

LIGNE D'AVIS JURIDIQUE **FRENCH LEGAL ADVICE LINE**

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Re: Announcement of French Legal Advice Line

Sir/Madam:

We are pleased to announce that the Sudbury Community Legal Clinic is now providing a toll-free telephone advice service to low income Franco-Ontarians residing in northern Ontario and parts of central Ontario. This pilot project is funded by Legal Aid Ontario and will provide access to French telephone legal advice and referrals in the following areas of law: housing (tenants only), social assistance (Ontario Disability Support Program and Ontario Works), Canada Pension Plan and Employment Insurance. This may include referrals to your local Community Legal Clinic or other agencies, if appropriate. Please note that your local Community Legal Clinic continues to offer all of its regular services.

This advice line will provide an opportunity to francophone clients to discuss their legal questions or difficulties and obtain information about their rights and obligations. A Legal Advice Worker will be available to answer calls at 1-87 POUR AVIS (1-877-687-2847) Monday to Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 12 noon and from 1:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. (Eastern Time). The program is supervised by a clinic lawyer and all information exchanged is confidential and free of charge.

To help us promote this service, we are asking you to make the enclosed information available in your offices so that it is visible to the francophone population in your community. Please share it with your staff members and others involved with the Francophone community in your area. If you require additional copies, please contact us. Service providers are welcome to join our e-mail list by sending a brief e-mail to us at larocqs@lao.on.ca so that we may provide further information, including legal information of interest to low income individuals and families.

If you have any questions about this new service, please do not hesitate to contact us. We thank you for your assistance with this project and look forward to working with you and your francophone community.

Yours truly,

Sherry Larocque-Lewis
Legal Advice Worker

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