Southside Our Strategy: Shaping our Justice The next 5 years future.

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Vision. The change we aspire for. A fair, safe and inclusive community. Purpose. The why we exist.

To increase access to legal support, promote fairness and advocate for social justice.

Role. The work we do.

We support people facing the greatest need in our community understand their legal rights and access the support and services they need. We advocate for people to achieve fair and just outcomes, for better laws and systems that promote fairness and progress social justice. We collaborate with community and sector partners at the right time and place to help people overcome complex problems and to improve their lives.

Impact. The areas we will focus on.



Shaping our future. The strategy for the next 5 years.



1.1 Evolve how we operate. Invest in capabilities and structure that will identify and secure funding.

1.2 Prioritise partners. Focus on partnerships that create the most value.

1.3. Workforce security. Embed policy and practice that retains, develops and supports staff.

2. Demonstrate our value

2.1 Adapt to our community. Build mechanisms that help us to better engage so we can adapt and respond in our work.

2.2 Build the evidence. Develop our outcomes framework. Create the evidence to inform our leadership and investment.

2.3 Tell our story. Share our outcomes to reach, connect to and positively influence funders, partners and supporters.

3. Thrive as an organisation

3.1 Scale the service. Leverage strengths to inform partnerships, programs and services that build scale and attract funding.

3.2. Embed lived experience. Recognise and respect the knowledge and experience of our community in our work.

3.3 Agile and resilient. Evolve and learn through data and insight driven by performance, community voice and funding.

Values. Shaping our work.

Principles. Guiding our work.

- Inclusive. We are respectful and informed, addressing the impacts of inequity and discrimination and celebrating diversity.
- Courageous. We are considered yet brave and bold in our actions, decisions and practice.
- Adaptable. We listen, learn and evolve with the needs of our staff, partners and community.
- Community lawyering. We practice with self-awareness, compassion, and a commitment to working in solidarity with individuals and community.
- People and communities are the experts in their own lives. We recognise, listen to, and amplify their voices.
- Together is better. We know that the community and legal sector are more effective together. We always collaborate for greater and deeper impact.

Enablers. The levers that support our strategy.

Focus on place and community.

Effective and responsive team.

Enabling partnerships. **Greater funding** security.