

PLANTING SEEDS

APRIL 2021

ANNUAL REPORT

MARCH 2022

OF JUSTICE



Hamilton Community Legal Clinic
Clinique juridique communautaire de Hamilton





A G E N D A

1. Welcome and Land Acknowledgment
4:00 PM

2. Formal Annual General Business Meeting
4:10 PM

- a. Call to order
- b. Call for Quorum
- c. Approval of Agenda
- d. Approval of Annual General Meeting Minutes, September 22, 2021
- e. Auditor Report
- f. Approval of the Audited Statement from April 1st, 2021 - March 31st, 2022
- g. Approval of the Auditors for April 1st, 2022 - March 31st, 2023
- h. Ratification Act Approval
- i. Approval of the Slate of Board of Directors for 2022-2023
- j. Any Business
- k. Adjournment of Annual General Meeting Business 2022

3. Seeds of Justice–Year in review /Executive Director’s Report
4:30 PM





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4. Community Guest Speakers

4:45 PM

- a. **Leo Nupolu Johnson - Executive Director, Empowerment Squared**
- b. **Dr. Ameil Joseph -McMaster University, Faculty of Social Sciences Professorship in Equity, Identity and Transformation | Academic Director, Community Engaged Research and Relationships, Office of Community Engagement | Associate Professor**
- c. **Mia Laronde - Greater Hamilton Health Network, Manager of Health, Equity and Strategic Initiatives**

5. Staff Recognition

5:15 PM

6. Looking Forward 2022-2023

5:20 PM

7. Closing

5:40 PM

Music brought to you by:

Andrew Amoah



Soil

In 2021/2022 we said "thank you" to a dear friend...

Hugh Tye

Retired in December 2021 after over 30 years of dedicated service and creative visioning

and "welcome" to a new one...

Clare Freeman

Joined our Clinic in January 2022 with over 18 years of experience as an Executive Director

We thank the tireless, and dedicated work of our front line staff who have answered every call, supported every request, and provided thoughtful, and kind service support to our community members.

Aché Yaya

Nelly Sinclair

Jennifer Le

Lysa Springer

Sylvia Blacklock

Allison Randell

Melissa Borkovich

Staff Milestones

Deya Benavides.....10 years at HCLC

Andrew C. Bomé.....30 years within the Clinic System

Judy MacKay.....35 years within the Clinic System



Seeds

Our Intake and Casework

Directed over

100

Community Referrals



Answered over

7000

Phone calls



Created over

5956

Service Intakes



Our Teams

Housing Team

Faced the challenges that came with greater service demand and several procedural and systemic changes to the Landlord-Tenant Board with dedication to keep tenants facing housing precarity housed, and their rights upheld.

Social Assistance Team

Responded to changing client needs and service demands by re-envisioning how the team supports ODSP appeal applicants.

The team collaborated with many community stakeholders & advocacy groups to push for systemic transformation of Hamilton's Social Assistance rates

ODSP Appeals

77%

Success Rate

(01/2022 - 04/2022)



Seeds

Our Teams

Immigration Team

Supported Hamilton's growing newcomer community with immigration applications, or status regularization and family reunification, **to keep newcomers supported and families together.**

The team collaborated with many community organizations servicing newcomers to offer public legal education and wrap around resource support.

Community Development and Engagement

Supported community members organizing in response to the housing crisis, social assistance rates, and immigration regularization work through public legal education, community events, and facilitating community resource connections across the City of Hamilton.



Roots

Indigenous Justice: *YÉN:TENE*



Growing justice since 2013

Amplified calls for systemic reform in instances of Indigenous death in healthcare institutions, and community education and action in the face of growing reports of mass graves across Turtle Island's sites of colonial residential schools and former churches.

Queer Justice: *The Queer Justice Project (QJP)*



Growing justice since 2019

Offered virtual support to members of the Two-Spirit and Queer community through the Trans ID Clinic initiative, online Positive Space training in partnership with the YÉN:TENE project and ongoing expansion of community resources and support.



Roots

Black Justice:

Together We Rise/ S'élever ensemble



Growing justice since 2019

Developed further relationships with Black community members through community events, advocacy support around housing disparities, responses to police brutality and violence and bridging supports and resources for Black students in post secondary.

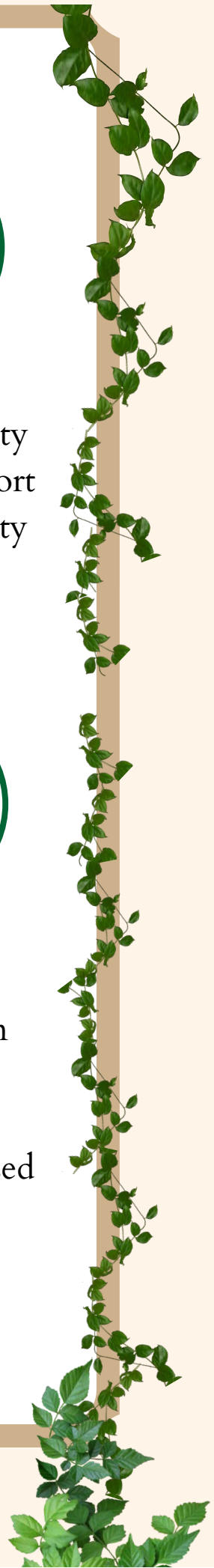
Health Justice:

*Hamilton Legal Outreach Project
(HLO)*



Growing justice since 2014

Balanced casework for clients experiencing barriers in accessing justice within the criminal and family law courtrooms, and engaged in systemic and strategic litigation to preserve and protect the rights of unhoused members and their loved ones.



Our Full AGM Report

Our full AGM report will be available on our website at www.hamiltonjustice.ca

You can also download our AGM report to your mobile or tablet device by using this QR code:



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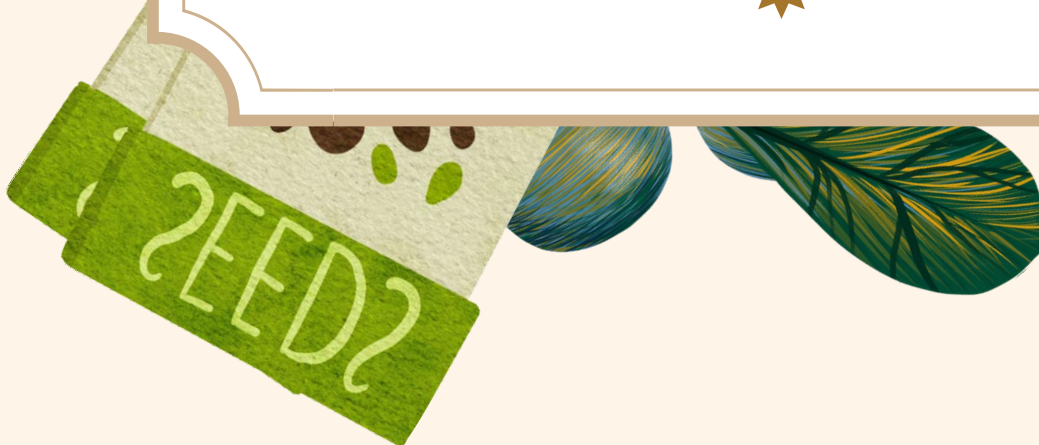
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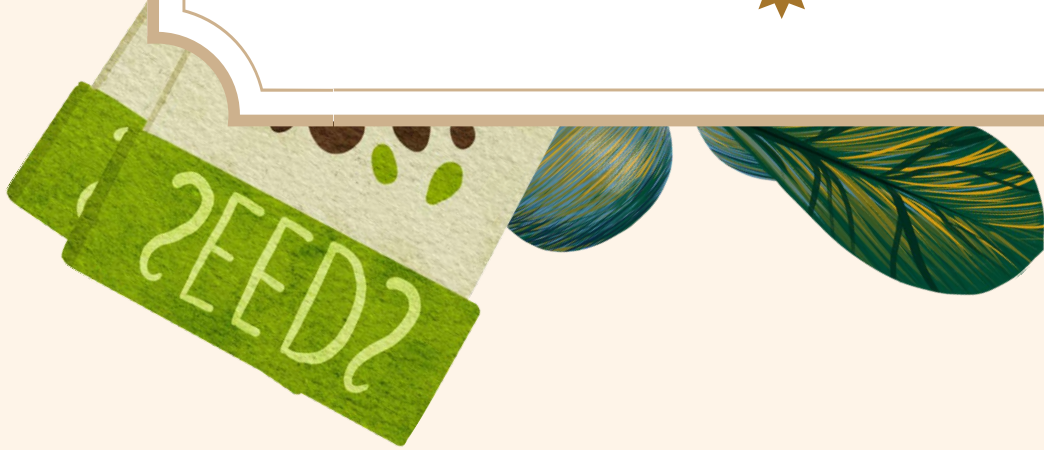


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Thank You.

For 11 years of growing
community justice -
together!



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