



**KINNA-AWEYA LEGAL CLINIC**  
JOB OPPORTUNITY – 6 month contract  
**Housing Social Navigator**

**Reaching Home: Canada's Homelessness Strategy Eviction Prevention Project**

Kinna-aweya Legal Clinic provides legal advice and assistance to residents of the District of Thunder Bay, particularly Indigenous people, who need assistance with poverty law issues. Through the Reaching Home: Canada's Homelessness Strategy *Eviction Prevention Project*, Kinna-aweya Legal Clinic is seeking a Housing Social Navigator to assist tenants to prevent eviction.

**PRIMARY JOB DUTIES:**

- Assist tenants to prevent eviction by identifying, navigating, and accessing relevant programs and services
- Identify appropriate matters for legal assistance
- Facilitate access to technology to help tenants participate effectively in hearings
- Be aware of programs and services available to tenants with housing issues such as arrears, damages, substantial interference
- Assist clients to complete forms and applications to access the above programs
- Assist clients to engage landlord with accommodation of disability
- Work with the Housing Intake Support Worker to deliver the project effectively
- Onboard and utilize the Homeless Individuals and Families Information System (HIFIS) as required by the funder
- Participate in the Coordinated Housing Access Table (CHAT) to align with Reaching Home: Canada's Homelessness Strategy directives
- Complete reports as required by the funder and legal clinic
- Identify and develop public legal education & information material
- Community development and law reform

**QUALIFICATIONS:**

- Post-secondary diploma or degree in a relevant discipline
- Understanding of housing issues and the Landlord & Tenant Board
- Sound knowledge of programs and services available to tenants and relevant legislation and resources (Residential Tenancies Act, ODSP, OWA, social housing/RGI, housing security funding, energy assistance programs, legal clinics, Tenant Duty Counsel, etc.)
- Formal and informal advocacy skills
- Client interviewing skills and issue identification
- Knowledge of technology to facilitate access to telephone and video hearings
- Excellent communication and organizational skills
- Strong written communication skills and ability to complete forms
- Experience working with clients who have experienced trauma and oppression
- Knowledge of community resources
- Indigenous cultural competency including knowledge of Anishnawbe practices and an understanding of the impacts of colonization and systemic oppression

Salary: Based on a salary of \$71,722 per annum, plus 5.5%

Interested candidates are asked to submit their resume and a cover letter to:

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Email: [johnsonci@lao.on.ca](mailto:johnsonci@lao.on.ca) Required subject line: **Housing Social Navigator Application**

**DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS: 5 p.m., Friday, September 3, 2021**