

## **Free Legal Services for Older Adults Expanding in Huron-Perth**

The Huron Perth Community Legal Clinic (HPCLC) has partnered with the Grey-Bruce Community Legal Clinic (GBCLC) to get funding from the Law Foundation of Ontario (LFO) to increase the free legal services HPCLC offers to older adults.

HPCLC is part of Ontario's legal aid system and provides free legal help to non-union employees, low income tenants, and people getting social assistance (Ontario Works and Ontario Disability Support Program payments). HPCLC also prepares Powers of Attorney (POAs) for low income residents of Huron-Perth. Additionally, HPCLC gives presentations about various legal topics.

The LFO supports legal education, legal research, legal aid, and law libraries in Ontario through grants and giving funds to Legal Aid Ontario. The LFO gets money from the interest lawyers and paralegals earn on money they are holding for their clients, such as deposits for real estate deals.

The LFO gave GBCLC a grant in 2024 and 2025 to increase free legal presentations and legal help for older adults in Grey and Bruce Counties. The LFO has provided another grant for 2026 and 2027 to expand the seniors' legal program started in Grey-Bruce to the counties of Huron, Perth, Brant, Halidmand and Norfolk. The LFO grant funds two full-time staff to provide services about seniors' legal issues.

The LFO grant allows HPCLC to offer more services with Powers of Attorney. The grant also enables HPCLC to do more public presentations and give more help with legal issues that mainly affect older adults, such as age discrimination, medical assistance in dying, and legal rules for getting home care.

Older adults, their caregivers, and people who work with older adults can call the HPCLC at 1-866-867-1027 to ask for presentations and legal advice.

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Comments from older adults who attended presentations about seniors' legal issues provided through the LFO funding in Grey-Bruce in 2024 and 2025:

“This was a very informative workshop. I now know what to do & how to do it.”

“These presentations are really important for us seniors. We are at the point of making major decisions for the balance of our life & it is important to have the knowledge needed to make the best decisions.”

“Learned a great deal about how scams occur & what one can do to resolve an issue.”

“I thought I knew about POA’s but realize I need to do more research.”