

Free legal advice appointments

THE Central Queensland Community Legal Centre's free legal advice now extends beyond their Rockhampton location to people across Central Queensland, with Skype appointments now available in Emerald, Blackwater and surrounds.

CQCLC solicitor Flora Wellington said she was amazed, but not at all surprised by her peers, who volunteer their time and services to offer Central Queenslanders free legal advice during Thursday evening clinics. She said the centre has operated in Central Queensland for 20 years, with a particular focus on family, employment and criminal law.

"Our main areas of law at the centre are family law, which is terrible; that is society's huge problem at the moment. We have so many people who are going through family break downs.

"Employment law; we see a lot of that at the moment especially with redundancies, people are being put off through whatever means the employer can put them off.

"And criminal law; we have people who have been caught for drink-driving, or any other traffic offences, or any other law matter that they can't get legal aid funding for and they need something done."

This Skype service is an expansion of the Rockhampton Centre's current services which include day and evening appointments, and can be

booked by phoning 4922 1200 or 1800 155 121 or emailing admin@cqclc.org.au



» VOLUNTEERING: CQ Community Legal Centre's (CQCLC) Flora Wellington of My Will and CQCLC president Lauren Farrelly of Rees Jones.

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