

## broadcast clip

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Interviewees: James Farrell, Director, Community Legal Centres Queensland

Community Legal Centres Queensland says there's been a 600% in people seeking help for domestic violence support over the past five years as community legal centres in Qld took more than 4400 DV cases last year, up from just over 600 in 2011. There was also a significant rise in the number of people looking for information or basic support in the period. James Farrell, director of CLC Queensland, says they helped more than 60,000 people last financial year but that's well short of the number looking for help. He says funding cuts in July will further reduce the number of people they can help. A spokeswoman for the Attorney General's Office says the government has overall increased funding for legal aid, CLCs, and specialised domestic violence services since 2015.