







Access to Knowledge

Providing Information with Support

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Providing Legal Information to Nunavummiut. Join us for a free pancake breakfast and learn more about your rights by talking to a legal aid lawyer!

The Law Society of Nunavut, in partnership with Maliiganik Tukisiiniakvik Legal Services, welcomes all Nunavummiut to its Access to Knowledge community launch on Saturday February 7 in Iqaluit.

- When? Saturday February 7 from 11am 1pm (Presentation will take place at 12:00pm)
- Where? Franco Center in Igaluit
- What? Free pancake breakfast and legal information session/meet and greet with legal aid lawyers
- Elders' transportation: Call 979-2733 to arrange for free transportation kindly offered by the Elders' Society (Pairijait Tigumivik Elders' Society)

On February 7, 2015, the Law Society of Nunavut (Law Society) in partnership with Maliiganik Tukisiiniakvik Legal Services (Maliiganik) invites everyone to meet and greet with legal aid lawyers and enjoy a free pancake breakfast cooked by those same lawyers.

The **Access to Knowledge Initiative** is part of the Access to Justice Program adopted by the Law Society membership during its 2014 AGM. In celebration of Maliiganik's 40th anniversary, we have come together in recognition of the importance of helping all Nunavummiut increase the understanding of their rights and available legal resources.

For **40 years Maliiganik Tukisiiniakvik**, through its legal aid clinic in Iqaluit, has focussed on public legal education, law reform and client representation. Today, 8 criminal law lawyers, 3 family law lawyers, 1 poverty law lawyer, 2 full time Iqaluit Inuit court workers and Inuit Court Workers in 12 Baffin Communities continue the work of the last 40 years ensuring access to justice remains at the forefront in Nunavut







Legal Aid lawyers from Maliiganik Tukisiiniakvik at the event will be able to provide legal information for situations such as if you have been arrested, if you need help dealing with Family Services or if you have housing or human rights issues or have been fired unfairly.

As part of its Access to Knowledge series, the Law Society will launch its first info sheet that focuses on the **Rights of Elders**. Elders will have access to free transportation to the Franco Centre. We thank the Pairijait Tigumivik Elders' Society for this service.

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