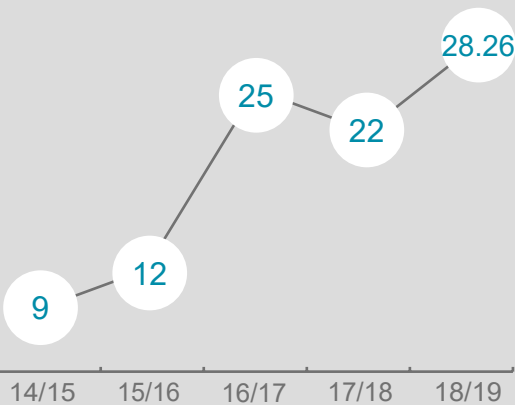


# Pro Bono and Corporate Responsibility at Gadens

As part of our Pro Bono and Corporate Social Responsibility Program, Gadens is committed to working with individuals as well as not for profit and charitable organisations across a variety of areas to help make a positive impact in the community.

## Our lawyers

We recorded our highest ever Pro Bono results!



Gadens average number of Pro Bono hours per lawyer

## \$1,287,777

approximate value of Pro Bono work



## 3,100

approximate number of Pro Bono hours



## 28

lawyers met the Australian Pro Bono Centre's 35 hour target



## >50%

participated in Pro Bono work



## 214%

increase in average hours over the last five years



We continued to fund a **seconded** at Women's Legal Service Victoria, and have partnered with Women's Legal Service Queensland for **over 10 years**



A team of **12 support staff** volunteered around **68 hours** (or \$13,600 worth) of administrative support to the Women's Legal Service Victoria



A team travelled to **Nauru** for a Pro Bono matter. Over the year we carried out **606.8 hours** of Pro Bono work assisting asylum seekers and refugees

## Partnerships



We celebrated:

- The launch of a new **formalised partnership** with **Peninsula Community Legal Centre**
- Our continuing partnership with **Fitzroy Community Legal Centre**
- **Three years** of partnership with **Moonee Valley Legal Service**:
  - Of the 48 advices given, 28 were delivered through the Gadens Clinic
  - Of the 22 matters opened in 2019, 7 were opened after attending the Gadens clinic, 5 have been closed and resolved
- Our support for the creation of **Charitable Foundations (Small Steps for Hannah)**, in an effort to help stop domestic violence
- Our **ongoing partnership** with the **'Lord Mayors Charitable Trust'** in Brisbane



Gadens also provided various forms of in-kind support, including through sharing our facilities and resources for events and training for our Pro Bono clients.



## Our priority areas

The following priority areas form the basis of our Pro Bono program:

- Homelessness
- Indigenous Australians
- Mental health
- Refugees and asylum seekers
- Women and children in need



## Achievements

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