

LAW COMMISSION OF ONTARIO
COMMISSION DU DROIT DE L'ONTARIO

STRATEGIC PLAN

2022-2025

The LCO's mandate is to advance law reform and promote access to justice.

The LCO provides independent, balanced, and authoritative advice on complex and often controversial legal issues. Our reports are principled, practical, and forward-looking.

The LCO furthers access to justice and contributes to public debate.

The LCO is independent, rigorous, and collaborative.

The LCO evaluates laws impartially, transparently, and broadly. LCO reports and recommendations are based on rigorous, transparent, interdisciplinary research and a commitment to working collaboratively with stakeholders.

The LCO addresses issues that are critical to individuals and communities in Ontario and Ontario's justice system.

LCO projects focus on systemic legal issues affecting individuals and communities across the province. Some projects consider how to modernize existing laws and policies to better address current legal needs and priorities; others anticipate needs and issues in Ontario's justice system.

The LCO works for and with residents of Ontario.

The LCO's success depends on meaningful engagement with individuals, communities, and organizations across Ontario. We work with legal professionals and organizations, NGOs, academics, governments, communities, and members of the public.

The LCO is committed to Reconciliation.

The LCO is committed to advancing Reconciliation through law reform in Ontario's justice system. We will address Indigenous legal issues; reflect Indigenous experience and laws in our work; and approach our work with humility and receptiveness for learning about Indigenous perspectives on law reform.

Our Strategic Priorities



Projects

The LCO is entering its 2022-25 Strategic Plan with a range of law reform projects, including:

- Artificial intelligence in Ontario's justice system.
- Consumer protection in the digital marketplace.
- Environmental accountability.
- Improving protection orders for women and others at risk of intimate partner violence.
- Legal issues in the last stages of life.

Between 2022 and 2025, the LCO will:

- Complete our current projects.
- Update our project selection criteria.
- Work with legal professionals and organizations, NGOs, academics, governments, communities, and members of the public to identify new projects.



Engagement

LCO projects depend on ongoing collaboration and dialogue with a broad range of individuals and organizations. Between 2022 and 2025, the LCO will:

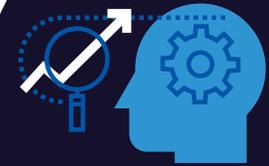
- Continue to invite input from, and engage with, individuals, organizations, and communities across Ontario.
- Develop new audiences, partnerships, and engagement tools.
- Strengthen collaborations with our community, academic, and legal partners.
- Harness the strengths of the LCO Board and Advisory Committees.



Impact

The LCO produces high-quality and timely reports and recommendations. As we move forward, the LCO will find new ways to expand the reach and impact of our work. Between 2022 and 2025, the LCO will:

- Develop new tools and strategies to communicate our projects, reports, and recommendations.
- Increase our profile within and outside Ontario's justice system.
- Partner with provincial and national organizations to extend the LCO's impact.
- Develop impact strategies for all LCO projects.



Growth and Renewal

To succeed, the LCO needs to build on its strengths, increase its funding, and continually adapt to change. Between 2022 and 2025, the LCO will:

- Develop new funding sources to ensure our stability and independence.
- Expand our relationships with Ontario's law schools and justice system partners.
- Renew our governance structures.
- Establish the LCO as an employer of choice.



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