

Budget, Student Legal Action

<b>Revenue</b>	
Student Fees (1.5 per credit hour)	\$500,000
<b>Expenses</b>	
Professional Expenses(Financial Reporting, etc)	\$10,000
Rent	\$15,000
Communications	\$50,000
Lawyers for Students (2)	\$200,000
"Staff" Representative	\$150,000
Administrative Assistant	\$55,000
Contingencies and Campaigns	\$20,000

**Total Expenses:**

**500000**

**Breakdown:**

**Professional expenses** are focused on our corporate responsibilities such as audits, reporting and corporate secretarial work.

**Rent:** Unfortunately there is no free space at the moment that the SLAC can access. As such we must budget for rent.

**Communications:** \$50,000 has been budgeted for communications. This includes technology, emails, websites, other supplies, **and** any funds that need to be spent on organizing throughout the year and any active normal campaigns

**Lawyers for Students (x2):** We budgeted for 2 lawyers, at 100,000 \$ each(including all payroll tax expenses and benefits). This is a huge number, but is lower than the average salary for lawyers, which is approximately 99,0000 \$. In order to get lawyers here, we need to provide a relatively competitive wage. We also are looking to get two lawyers so that we can have lawyers with different specialties, one who can focus on advocacy efforts, and the other on traditional legal services students might need, such as immigration and visa issues as well as tax clinics.

**Student Staff Representatives (x3):** the second highest budgeted amount is for Student "Staff" Representatives. A staff representative is a role that exists in labour unions. Their focus is to support and advocate for the people they represent, and campaign for them. These types of roles fit with the model of legal representation in that if we are dealing with a case that needs a campaign effort, these representatives can provide logistical support to students, service centres, clubs and student societies in achieving changes. A great example has been COVID-19