HOW WE WORK

VULNERABILITY FACTORS
* Percentages from Youth Justice clients from 2010-2013

- 76% Unstable Accommodation
- 64% Involved in the Care System
- 54% Excluded from School
- 46% Learning Disability
- 42% Mental Health
- 28% Unstable Migration Status
- 26% No Support Networks
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We address these factors HOLISTICALLY:

- Specialist Legal Advice & Representation
  - Youth Justice
  - Education
  - Community Care

- Independent Youth Advocacy

- Support into Education & Employment

- Youth Ambassadors Programme

We also work for structural change:

- Strategic Litigation
- Policy Reform
- Legal Training & Resources
- Sharing Youth Justice Expertise
In 2012 we increased the number of clients in boroughs around our North and West London offices. We also took on more clients in South London in preparation for opening a new office there.
OUR CLIENTS

GENDER
33% female
66% male
1% transgender

AGE
11% 19+
6-10 3%
11-13 9%
14-16 34%
17-19 42%

VULNERABILITY FACTORS
*On average each of our clients experienced 2.3 vulnerability factors

- 20% Excluded from School
- 38% Contact with Youth Justice System
- 24% In Care or a Care Leaver
- 18% Mental Health Problems
- 41% Unstable Accommodation
- 21% Asylum Seeker, Refugee or Migrant
HOW WE HELP

SUPPORTING YOUNG PEOPLE

Issues Most Commonly Faced by Our Clients:

19% EDUCATION
19% HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE
19% HOUSING & HOMELESSNESS

*On average each of our clients needed support with 2.4 issues

WHAT SUCCESS LOOKS LIKE

CRISIS
STABILITY
POSITIVE ACTIVITIES
SOCIAL ENGAGEMENT
OUR IMPACT

**EDUCATION LAW OUTCOMES**

- 89% Saw an improvement in their education, training, or employment positions

**OPPORTUNITIES PROJECT OUTCOMES**

- 89% Saw an improvement in their education, training, or employment positions

**COMMUNITY CARE OUTCOMES**

- 86% Saw improvement in their health and social care positions
- 79% Saw improvement in their financial positions
- 63% Saw improvement in their housing positions
91% Felt the impact of their problems lessened after our intervention

83% increase in their knowledge after our intervention

89% increase in their life enjoyment after our intervention

"Just for Kids Law have turned my life around. If they hadn't intervened in my life, right now my friends would be saying ‘rest in peace’ to me. But they showed me another life by helping me out in difficult, hard and frustrating times. Kudos to Just for Kids Law!"
STRATEGIC LITIGATION & POLICY

2012-2013 KEY HIGHLIGHTS: WORKING FOR STRUCTURAL CHANGE

We changed the law to benefit 34,000 young people across England and Wales each year.

Provided guidance to police and youth offending teams about provision of appropriate adults for 17-year-olds in custody.

17-year-olds are now recognised as children at police stations and are afforded extra protections.


Youth Ambassadors contributed to Parliamentary inquiry into operation and effectiveness of youth justice system by providing suggested questions, submitting a written response and giving evidence.

Helped drive public petition that gathered over 57,000 signatures urging the government to treat 17-year-olds in custody as children.

Responded to seven consultation papers about children and the law.
We ran **12 TRAININGS**

**YOUTH JUSTICE**  •  **EDUCATION LAW**  •  **COMMUNITY CARE LAW**

We trained **331 PROFESSIONALS**

*Including lawyers, social workers, and youth offending teams*

**TRAINING FEEDBACK**

- **99%** Of professionals trained said the training exceeded or met their expectations
- **88%** Of professionals trained would recommend Just for Kids Law’s training
- **80%** Of professionals trained said they would change their practice as a result of the training