

Paper: Community Justice Help: Advancing Community-Based Access to Justice (CLEO 2020)



This discussion paper provides a framework to understand the mechanisms that cultivate resilient access to justice communities. The paper offers universal principles that support community-based justice help systems. In particular, the paper proposes an approach to supporting community justice help, describes its place in the broader access to justice ecosystem, and highlights the value of quality assurance and regulatory alignment. The paper concludes with recommendations to nurture robust community justice help.

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