

Survey of Law Associations 2018

Law Associations	LibraryCo Grant 2018	# of members	Fees - Lawyers	Fees - Paralegal	Fees - Articling Student	Fees - Law Student	Access to Library - Paralegal	Access to Library - Public	NOTES
Regional									
Carleton	\$652,305.00	1650	\$402.28	\$370.64	\$28.25	\$28.25	yes	no	Reduced membership fees for new calls, part-time/non-practicing paralegals, and other membership categories. Public access to library is not allowed/nor advertised, but do provide very limited access to printing/copying for the public.
Essex	\$296,746.00	540	\$125.00	n/a	free	n/a	yes	yes	Free membership for lawyers during 1st year of practice, 2nd year fee is \$60.00, & free after 50 years of practice. Articling students allowed after hours access to library but cannot be members. Paralegals and public can access library during regular staff hours.
Hamilton	\$474,084.00	1025	\$299.00	n/a	free	free	yes	yes	Public access to the library is limited to Tuesdays and Thursdays from 2:00pm to 4:00pm
Middlesex	\$382,617.00	925	\$141.25	n/a	n/a	n/a	no	no	No membership status for articling students, but have most privileges if working for a member. Law Students cannot be members, but allowed to view print resources
Toronto	\$620,928.00	3200	\$115.00	n/a	free	n/a	yes	yes	
Area									
Algoma	\$142,484.00	88	\$180.00	n/a	free	free	no, unless employed by member	no	Social member fee of \$90.00 for judges/retirees. Looking at alternative ways to assist the general public, if it becomes a necessary component of our funding.
Durham	\$161,607.00	390	\$125.00	n/a	\$50.00	n/a	no	no	<i>20% budget increase in 2018 for staffing increase; membership growing fast</i>
Frontenac	\$140,108.00	251	\$226.00	n/a	\$56.50	\$56.50	no	no	
Halton	\$147,268.00	320	\$184.00	\$384.52	free	free	yes	no	
Kenora	\$92,124.00	65	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$50.00	n/a	yes	yes	Library open to paralegals & public only when staff member is present
Lincoln	\$188,402.00	225	\$135.60	n/a	n/a	n/a	no, unless employed by member	yes, Friday pm only	Paralegal access to library if employed by member lawyer, otherwise access only Friday afternoons as part of the public

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Nipissing	\$91,017.00								
Peel	\$313,885.00	491	\$240.00	n/a	\$96.00	\$96.00	no	no	
Peterborough	\$140,011.00	115	\$180.00	n/a	free	free	no	no	
Renfrew	\$131,108.00	68	\$175.00	n/a	free	free	no, unless employed by member	yes	Articling, law students & paralegals must be employed by member lawyer to have library access. Library access for self-employed paralegals and the public is by appointment only (they must provide a specific reason they desire access), with no borrowing privileges, and library staff must be present.
Simcoe	\$148,237.00	430	\$113.00	n/a	free	free	no, unless employed by member	yes	Paralegal access to library if employed by member lawyer. General public must make appt and provide reason they desire access.
Sudbury	\$197,788.00	180	\$150.00	n/a	free	free	yes	yes	Paralegals are welcome to pay an annual \$100.00 law library membership fee. Paralegals are not voting members of the SDLA.
Thunder Bay	\$179,826.00	287	\$209.05	n/a	\$104.53	\$11.30	yes	yes	Library access available by appointment for public, paralegals - No borrowing privileges. Membership numbers include 216 lawyers in private practice.
Waterloo	\$253,051.00	614	\$169.50	\$169.50	free	n/a	yes	no	
York	\$245,142.00	615	\$127.13	\$194.00	free	free	yes	no	Paralegals are charged a "library user fee" equal to LSO library levy for access to library during business hours only. Reduced fee for Junior members (2 years call to the Bar). Reduced fee for Associate Members (primary membership held elsewhere, no FOLA fee added). Law students not eligible for an access card.
Local									
Brant	\$105,847.00	113	\$125.00	n/a	free	free	no	no	Paralegals, articling students & law students must be employed by a member to have library access.
Bruce	\$59,035.00	100	\$202.50	n/a	n/a	n/a	no	no	Lawyers from other counties can become members for a reduced fee of \$50.00.

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Cochrane	\$51,284.00	65	\$226.00	\$226.00	\$113.00	none	yes	yes	Paralegal, or public access to library only when staff present. Out-of-county lawyers pay \$113.00 for membership.
Dufferin	\$49,186.00	52	\$110.00	n/a	n/a	n/a	no	no	Paralegal, or public access to library only when staff present, but usually direct public to web accessible materials and/or public library
Elgin	\$80,648.00	55	\$150.00	n/a	n/a	n/a	no	no	Part-time member (lawyer practising outside Elgin) fee is \$75.00
Grey	\$69,904.00	110	\$150.00	n/a	\$75.00	\$75.00	no	no	Lawyers from other counties can become members for a reduced fee of \$100.00.
Haldimand	\$31,560.00	15	\$100.00	n/a	free	free	no	no	
Hastings	\$89,540.00	130	\$95.00	n/a	free	n/a	yes	yes	Paralegals are charged a "library user fee" of \$95.00. Access for paralegals, law students, and public only during hours library is staffed.
Huron	\$80,113.00	58	\$350.00	n/a	free	free	no	no	Out-of county lawyers membership fee is \$50.00.
Kent	\$74,386.00	80	\$75.00	n/a	free	n/a	no	no	Articling students free if working for a member lawyer. Membership requires passing Bar Exam.
Lambton	\$79,098.00	91	\$175.00	n/a	free	n/a	no	no	Membership fee increasing to \$185.00 to offset FOLA levy increase for 2018 & 2019. Retirees have free membership.
Lanark	\$41,461.00								
Leeds & Grenville	\$75,814.00	89	\$150.00	n/a	\$50.00	\$50.00	no	no	Paralegal membership currently under discussion
Lennox & Addington	\$28,078.00	24	\$113.00	n/a	\$113.00	n/a	yes	no	
Manitoulin	\$2,680.00								<i>unstaffed library</i>
Muskoka	\$68,126.00	70	\$250.00	n/a	n/a	n/a	no, unless employed by member	yes	Paralegals can access library if they are working for a member. Public access but very limited.
Norfolk	\$74,410.00	44	\$220.00	n/a	free	free	no	no	Members must reside in county, or have an office in county to become a member
Northumberland	\$87,741.00	80	\$135.00	\$354.22	\$135.00	\$135.00	no, unless a member of Association	no	Due to safety concerns/limited staff hours there is no public access. Library provides a handout of local legal resources to assist self-reps/the public.

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Oxford	\$75,104.00	60	\$120.00	n/a	free	n/a	no	no	
Parry Sound	\$46,415.00	25	\$150.00	n/a	n/a	n/a	no, unless employed by member	no	Paralegals can access library if they are working for a member.
Perth	\$57,842.00								<i>Librarian position was vacant until December</i>
Prescott & Russell	\$14,682.00	49	\$200.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	n/a	no, unless employed by member	no	Paralegal membership pending, with final discussions in Feb 2019 - must be employee of a member lawyer; articling student must be employee of a member lawyer
Rainy River	\$28,474.00	16	??	n/a	free	n/a	no	no	membership fee varies depending on need
Stormont, Dundas & Glengarry	\$81,891.00	107	\$175.00	n/a	n/a	n/a	no	no	
Temiskaming	\$45,620.00	32	\$165.00	\$165.00	n/a	n/a	no	no	Articling students have access through their mentor. Currently do not any paralegal members in association.
Victoria-Haliburton	\$92,498.00	50	\$350.00	n/a	free	free	no	no	Articling & law students must be employed by member lawyer.
Welland	\$99,087.00	150	\$152.55	n/a	free	free	no, unless employed by member	no	Paralegals can access library if they work for a member. No public access, but provide assistance via internet, FLIC, LAO, CLEO
Wellington	\$79,958.00	155	\$200.00	n/a	n/a	n/a	yes	no	Paralegals, law students can access library

* fees include HST if applicable, only the practicing lawyer annual fee is listed; also many associations reduce fees for justices, crowns, students, etc.

** number of members includes all categories of members, if applicable

*** "n/a" indicates membership not available