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DULF FUNDRAISER UPDATE: THE APPEAL

The machinery turns again.

The Crown has appealed our acquittal.

The grounds are questions of law. The Crown argues that the trial judge erred in finding that Section 5(2) of the *Controlled Drugs and Substances Act* unjustifiably infringed our Charter rights; that these infringements could not be justified under Section 1; and that the provision should not have been declared of no force or effect under Section 52(1) of the *Constitution Act*.

The Crown seeks to have our convictions entered and the matter remitted for sentencing.

Let us be precise about what is at stake.

The Compassion Club was not an abstraction.

It was an attempt to wrest a small territory from the dominion of a poisoned supply, to replace the arbitrary violence of the illicit market with community-regulated substances, fair prices, and the collective intelligence of the people forced to navigate it.

We did not undertake this work because the law had blessed it.

We undertook it because people were dying, and the sanctioned alternatives were inadequate to the emergency before us.

Now, as further punishment for saving lives, we must now answer to another stage of legal proceedings in the federal court of appeal, with all the uncertainty, labour, and expense that entails.

We therefore ask you to continue standing with us.

Our legal aid fundraiser remains essential.

Legal defence is expensive, and a victory in court does not abolish the material conditions that made the struggle necessary. Every contribution helps sustain our capacity to defend this decision and the principle beneath it: that people who use drugs are entitled to organise their own survival.

We are tired, certainly. We have looked long enough into the face of the state to recognise its features. But fatigue is not surrender, and an appeal is not a conviction.

The Crown has chosen to continue this fight.

So shall we.

Donate.

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Stand with the DULF.

The law may yet attempt to close the door. We intend to remain on the threshold.

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How You Can Help

1. Donate Directly Now:

- **Zeffy Donations:**

Donate easily via Zeffy to continue supporting DULF's fight:

<https://www.zeffy.com/en-CA/donation-form/dulf-legal-aid-ii-the-final-push>

- **E-Transfers and PayPal:**

Send funds to:

druguserliberationfront@gmail.com

2. Tax Free Donations (Over \$1000):

- Via Mom's Stop the Harm at Canada Helps:

<https://www.canadahelps.org/en/dn/126579>

- Select DULF under "fund"
- Your donation must be over \$1000

3. Join Our Legal Sustainer Donor Program:

- Become a dedicated partner in the fight for harm reduction and legal justice. By contributing regularly through DULF's **Sustainer Donor Program**, you help fund critical legal costs, policy reform advocacy, and support for those most impacted by discriminatory drug policies.
- Learn more and join here: [Open Collective: DULF](#)

4. Spread the Word: Share our updates and help us rally support for harm reduction and safer supply.

5. Stay Engaged: We are providing biweekly updates on our website below, and to our mailing list. These updates will track our fundraising progress and any case developments.