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Community Networks Wellington Newsletter
September 2020

Community Networks Wellington 45th Annual General Meeting

NAU MAI, HAERE MAI!

Please join us at our AGM

To be held on Wednesday 16th September 2020, 11am
at St Peters Church, Garden Room, 211 Willis Street, Wellington

Speaker panel:

Panellist's from Wellington City Mission, The Salvation Army, DCM and Kahungunu Whānau Services
Join us to hear our speakers give an update on the developments on vulnerable housing provision in
Wellington

Executive Nominations:

Executive seats are held by member organisations and they nominate one person to represent them. We aim to have a diverse Executive, with representation from across the sector. Our Nomination Form and Executive Roles and Responsibilities can be found on the last page of this Newsletter

You will be required to scan in with the Rippl App on Arrival [Rippl App Download](#)
We would ask that you do not attend if; You are unwell, you are a confirmed or probable case of COVID-19, You are waiting for a test result for COVID-19, Or you are currently self-isolating.

We will be following the [Ministry of Health's Guidelines under level 2](#)

Please RSVP to ensure we can continue to trace attendees.

To RSVP or for more information contact Debbie Delaney Phone 385 3518

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CNW Meeting Wellington Central Party Candidates Speaker Panel

Last Wednesday 19th of August, CNW and members gathered in a safe space to discuss ideas freely and frankly with Wellington Central party candidates, Brooke Van Velden (Act), Grant Robertson (Labour), James Shaw (Green) and Brett Hudson (National list MP, on behalf of Nicola Willis).

We are lucky in New Zealand to be given opportunities like these to consult candidates directly and have meaningful discussions.

CNW had given them the opportunity to read our most recent [Member's Survey Report](#) and presented Candidates with the question, '**What would be your plan to address these needs?**'.

Brooke Van Velden for Act New Zealand commented her party is a large advocate for personal responsibility and making sure people are free to achieve their own potential. Act upholds the idea that the community understands the needs of the community much better than a government ever could. When addressing funding issues for members, she realises that the COVID-19 lockdown has had severe impacts in this sector. Van Velden noted, as an example, that this is the time of year for annual appeals, which has significantly decreased due to lockdown restrictions. People are not giving at the usual capacity during these turbulent times. Van Velden highlighted the need for certainty in Wellington so everyone can get back to their routines and give willingly. She commented that we do not need rolling lockdowns and there is a better way. Van Velden talked about mental health resources, saying it is a bureaucratic nightmare with no level playing field. She commented that if a person is seeking help, they should not have to go to one source. She highlighted in particular, that Maori NGO's know their communities best and this current system is not letting them thrive.

Brett Hudson, National Party list MP speaking on behalf of Nicola Willis, addressed the need for funding. He said it is crucial that whoever is leading the Government, that there is a relentless focus that they create jobs, give certainty to income and greater certainty to government

funding. In this way, philanthropic grants and general funding for services and direct funding from MSD will increase. He commented that we have not seen any great scale of funding for front line services and accessibility. The National Party will focus spending on infrastructure, durable assets and lasting skills while collecting revenue that does not destroy the confidence of businesses. Hudson then addressed the housing issue, saying success in housing takes time to put into action and says resource management reform is needed to address the bigger housing challenges. He summarises saying a National led government knows how to create long lasting impacts and to uplift New Zealanders which will heavily involve social services spending. He commented that National has the credentials and track record to be able to deliver in times of crisis.

Grant Robertson for Labour Party stated he is very aware of the issues raised in the Survey Report and has been looking at them for some time. He commented that COVID-19 lockdown has exacerbated issues but also highlighted our strengths. Robertson recapped the lock-down initiatives which took place. The first response was a health package (PPE) and a lot of it was to boost mental health support helplines and help NGO's that target specific groups within the mental health community. Robertson addressed the 'digital divide' issue saying the DIA has funding available to support organisations with technological issues, especially support for Maori NGO's and Housing First. Labour hope to give funding boosts to NGO's and will ensure this funding is secure and stable and giving certainty to NGO's. He commented that there are systemic issues which need to be resolved at an organisational level and that there is a review going on currently. He used an example of disability funding which is fragmented and difficult to access. Robertson emphasised the importance of partnership and used the example of lockdown where the Government and NGO's united and housed most of the rough sleepers.

James Shaw explained that the Green Party largely came out of the community sector and its orientation has always been to empower the sector to take a great leadership role. The leadership body should be led and directed by the sector itself rather than the Government. Shaw presented a structured argument addressing policy initiatives that would address the Survey Reports findings. Shaw stated the Government must ensure mechanisms that allow the sector to survive. This will help NGO's put less energy into keeping funding going, and more energy into helping New Zealanders. The Green Party wants to provide

that stability. The tax regime must deal with the community sector. The accountability mechanisms the Government imposes should be proportionate to the amount of funding given. These mechanisms can be massively burdensome, and leaves organisations questioning whether it is worth getting funding itself. Communities should not have to rely on gambling revenue, so the Government must make more opportunities for organisations to receive grants. Organisations that have an advocacy role cannot exercise this freely when funding is an issue. Shaw comments that volunteering should get greater recognition, that New Zealand must understand the contribution people make outside of paid work. Paid work should be supplementing volunteer work. Government policy does not recognise the diversity of organisations New Zealand has. We currently have a one size fits all approach which is not suitable for the sector.

Question & Answers

What can you do to meet housing needs i.e. emergency and transitional housing and support the NGO's in this sector?

Brooke Van Velden: The prices of housing has gone up 900% while income has not. This has affected all New Zealanders. Act wants to push these prices down and get rid of restrictions in the Resource Management Act as well as put through new urban planning legislation.

Brett Hudson: National will build more homes and making properties more affordable. National will accelerate social housing and give wrap-around services to help in the social housing sector. He also questioned why Wellington housing NGO's do not get the wage subsidy.

Grant Robertson: Housing is an ecosystem. There are many elements. The work must be done through partnership. We must continue to resource and fund it. We must build more social and community housing. Labour has already built excess of the houses we said we would, and we want to build 800 more. Unless the housing sector is properly funded, it pushes too much responsibility onto the housing organisations which has happened in the past. The state plays a huge role, and this must be in partnership.

James Shaw: Housing is a top priority for Green as seen through our 'Homes For All' plan. To fix any part of the housing issue, we must fix the whole problem.

There are three elements to focus on. First, Kainga Ora should have a target around housing affordability. Secondly, there should be a focus on people who need it urgently. Thirdly, there must be an expanding community sector role. The Green party is strong on working with community housing providers to dramatically expand the provision of housing with the Labour government. Green is proud that they have built lots of housing, but we still need to do more to get the system unstuck.

Thank you to those who attended and keep an eye out for our next speaker panel event!

Nga Mihi,
Community Networks Wellington

Wellington Disruption Of Service List

The [latest Disruption of Service list](#) has been uploaded (26th August) Please ensure you check your groups Level 2 service and contact details are up to date, by following [this link](#) or going to our [Covid-19 Resources Page](#).

For changes please email newsletter@cnw.org.nz
Deadline for next update is Tuesday 1st September

COMMUNITY NETWORKS WELLINGTON 45TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

AGENDA

Community Networks Wellington Incorporated
45th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
16 September 2020, 11am at
St Peters Church Garden Room, 211 Willis Street,
Wellington

**Speakers Panel give an update on the developments on vulnerable housing provision in Wellington
Followed by the AGM:**

1. Karakia
2. Opening
3. Speakers
4. Apologies
5. Previous minutes
6. Chairperson's report
7. Treasurer's report
8. Election of auditor
9. Election of Executive Committee
10. General Business
11. Closing

See last page for Nomination form and Executive Roles and Responsibilities

Help Is Coming For Half A Million Board Members Of Community Organisations

August 20, 2020

Press Release – Centre for Social Impact

Nearly 300 members of community organisations attended the digital launch of a National Action Plan for Community Governance on Wednesday 19 August.

The report identifies six outcomes and fifteen key actions that will strengthen the governance capability of community boards.

If you are one of the half a million New Zealanders who sit on the board or committee of a community organisation help to manage your risks and responsibilities is on the way.

Without their often invisible and thankless work at the board table, the more than 114,000 charities and community groups who provide essential services such as caring for older people, fighting fires, surf lifesaving, and organising education, religion, sport and arts events could not operate.

It can be a complex, demanding, under resourced and under supported role so it is not surprising that the capability and capacity of boards and committees in the community sector is variable both across sectors and between regions.

COVID-19 has made the governance role even more demanding. The [Time to Shine survey](#) of 1400 community organisations found that a substantial majority of participants (74%) had experienced or were expecting reduced funding.

Improving governance was one of the key areas identified to support the community sector navigate its future.

“Good governance in the community sector has never been so important as boards navigate the financial future of their organisations” says independent director and Chair of the Community Governance Steering Group, Mele Wendt.

Over one hundred and fifty people contributed more than 1000 hours in seven co-design sprints during lockdown. They identified and developed fifteen actions to support and enhance governance in the community sector.

The actions focus on seven outcomes:

1. All community governance group members will have basic governance skills.
2. All community governance groups apply their basic skills.
3. Everyone values community governance.
4. There is a strong pipeline of diverse, talented community governors.
5. Best practice in community governance is shared and enhanced.
6. Effective Chairs are supported and have opportunities for development.
- 7 All kaitiaki exhibit and role model the right behaviours

On 19 August these actions were launched as the National Action Plan for Community Governance. Over 260 people attended to join the on-line celebration of the Action Plan.

“The National Action Plan has been designed to be free of duplication and focuses on practical tools to amplify what the sector is already doing and to fill vital gaps.

Every action in the plan has been created to address our shared goal that all community organisations are well governed” says Jo Cribb, Programme Manager.

Implementation of the Plan has begun and is gaining momentum through a wide acceptance that the community sector needs governance support to drive innovation and strategic advice, through and post Covid 19.

“If Covid 19 has taught us anything, it is that together we are stronger. The community sector now has a renewed sense of togetherness fuelled by digital connectivity and a revitalised sense of value and purpose.

With this action plan we will strengthen the sector to continue delivering vital services to the communities that depend on us” Jo Cribb concluded.

You can read the full National Action Plan for Community Governance report [here](#) and watch the launch event on YouTube [here](#)

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Charity Dinner Dance

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Prompting and Promoting Participation

Nicola Sutton
Chief Executive | English Language Partners New Zealand

Having more time to educate and support people to enrol and vote in the election is an upside of the date being moved to 17 October. But, how much do you know about participating in the election?

Take this quick *true* and *false* quiz to find out:

1. Enrolling to vote is compulsory.
2. Voting in a general election is compulsory.
3. You have to be 18 years or older to enrol to vote.
4. Only New Zealand citizens can enrol to vote.
5. Anyone living in New Zealand for two years or more can enrol to vote.
6. Migrants with permanent residence can enrol to vote if they have continuously lived in New Zealand for 12 months or more.

English Language Partners know that migrant participation in elections is lower than for people born in New Zealand. “Only 54 percent of migrants who had lived in New Zealand less than five years voted [in the last election], compared with 89 percent of migrants who had lived in New Zealand 15 years or more (Statistics New Zealand).

We also know that people of Asian ethnicity are less likely to enrol than other ethnicities, but those that do enrol, are more likely to vote. Barriers to voting include lack of knowledge about who can enrol to vote, lack of knowledge about candidates, disengagement from politics or just not ‘getting around to it’.

Staff from the Electoral Commission are currently visiting our community English language classes to talk with learners about enrolling and voting. They also supported the development of adult learning resources which you can freely download at <https://www.englishlanguage.org.nz/hub/general-election-resources/>. From past experience we know that for some learners this will be their first experience of participating in a democratic election.

Community groups can play an important role in demystifying enrolment and voting processes and by encouraging people to participate in electing the government and sharing their views on the two referendums.

What can your community group do to support people, including newcomers, to enrol and participate in the 2020 election?

Answers to the quiz

More information about who can enrol to vote can be found on the Electoral Commission website <https://vote.nz/enrolling/get-ready-to-enrol/are-you-eligible-to-enrol-and-vote/>

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2. F
3. T
4. F
5. F
6. T

Enrolment information in other languages:

<https://vote.nz/enrolling/enrolment-in-your-language/enrolment-information-in-multiple-languages/>

[Scoop.co.nz](https://www.scoop.co.nz)

Status Report Finds Poverty Was Getting Worse Even Before Covid-19 Struck

August 20, 2020

Press Release – Porirua City Council

Porirua Mayor Anita Baker is urging party leaders to use the election campaign to outline plans to address the persistent and growing scourge of poverty in New Zealand, especially as it affects children.

“Child poverty was already a national crisis before Covid-19 and without urgent action, it risks turning into a catastrophe,” Mayor Baker says.

Today, Porirua City Council released its Status Report 2020: Trends in the wellbeing of children and young people in Porirua.

“Whether it’s school attendance, oral health, hospital visits or social housing waiting lists, the report paints a grim picture. These indicators weren’t looking good even before Covid. The danger now is that they accelerate in the wrong direction,” she says.

The Council began formally monitoring key economic, health, housing and social indicators in 2015 when its strategic plan placed the wellbeing of children and young people at the heart of decision-making.

“We set our wellbeing agenda four years before the Government’s Wellbeing Budget,” Mayor Baker says, “because we understand the long-term health and resilience of our community depends on keeping our kids safe, healthy, well-housed and in school. This isn’t happening in far too many cases.”

She says that while councils don’t have the resources or authority to address most of these issues head-on, Porirua won’t shirk from its advocacy role.

“We want to shine a light on these pockets of deprivation to inspire meaningful action by central government. We don’t mean more well-intentioned talk. We don’t mean more pilot programmes or community consultation. We mean concrete plans with real money attached.”

Citing the deterioration in oral health among five-year-olds, Mayor Baker says this was the direct results of rationing services.

“They took dental nurses out of schools and replaced them with a mobile service hub that hasn’t worked. When ideas fail, let’s ditch them. When they work, let’s fund and support them properly.

“The new Government will face an unprecedented array of challenges brought about by the Covid crisis. My plea to whoever wins: no priority should be more urgent than fixing the child poverty crisis in New Zealand.”

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Free Learner License Workshops For Young People

[Evolve Youth](#) are offering free [Learner License Workshops](#) for young people aged 15-25.

They will pay half the cost of the test fee and support you to get the necessary documents for the application.

Every Tuesday (School term only), 3.30-5.30pm at [Strathmore Park Community Centre](#).

Contact Siti on 022 059 1986 or siti@evolveyouth.org.nz for more info.

Volunteer Peer-Support Facilitators Required

[Mosaic](#) is looking for Volunteer Peer-Support Group Facilitators. Mosaic provides counselling and peer-support primarily for males who have experienced trauma and sexual abuse.

For more info go to mosaic-wgtn.org.nz.

Speak Out

Speak Out is a radio show and podcast, brought to you by LGBTQIA+ young people from InsideOUT.

InsideOUT is a national charity based in New Zealand, with the vision for all rainbow young people to have a sense of safety and belonging in their schools and communities. Speak Out covers local and international news and events, interviews and discussion, music, reviews, and more, all with a connection to rainbow communities.

Listen fortnightly on Wednesdays, 6-7pm. <http://insideout.org.nz/radio-show/>

Sepanjgah

Sepanjgah is a weekly radio programme and podcast that features stories about the lives of, and music of Iranian and international musicians and artists.

Sepanjgah is presented in Farsi (Persian language) targeting Farsi speaking communities around the world; however, you do not need to know Farsi to enjoy our programmes!

The Sepanjgah team is:
Producer and Presenter, Shahram Aryan; Assistant Producer and Presenter, Manda Safavi; Researcher, Parisa Barazandeh; Scriptwriter, Sara Kian and Social Media Administrator, Sabrin Hayavi.

Follow the programme facebook page for info about upcoming programme themes: <https://www.facebook.com/Sepanjgah.musicpodcast>

You can listen to Sepanjgah every Tuesday at 6pm on Wellington Access Radio.

NOTICES

Wellington Samaritans Annual Appeal 25 & 26 September

We are looking for volunteer collectors for our Street Appeal. Collectors will be stationed all over the Wellington CBD and at some malls and supermarkets. Are you able to help by holding a bucket for two hours, taking donations from passers by?

Donations are crucial to the ongoing availability of our helpline which has been available 24/7 for over 55 years in Wellington.

Our mission is to reduce deaths by suicide. If this is something you'd like to help with please get in touch with Appeal Coordinator, Gillian Ransom, 021 1978 002, marketing-wellington@samaritans.org.nz

Don't Get Shafted when You Need a New Website for Your Non-Profit Organisation

Justin from Cheeky Upstart shares client experiences in Wellington's non-profit sector. Read his blog post here: <https://www.cheekyupstart.co.nz/cheeky-blog/why-i-started-cheeky-upstart>.

Attention landlords and tenants: here's how the new renting regulations affect you

Parliament has just passed a new law that will leave renters with a sense of relief. But many landlords aren't too pleased.

What's all this then? *The Spinoff*
[Read More](#)

Bringing Sight to Blind and Low-vision People

[Be My Eyes](#) is a free app that connects blind and low-vision people with sighted volunteers and company representatives for visual assistance through a live video call. [Find Out More](#)

Privacy Act Guidance for Landlords and Tenants

The Office of the Privacy Commissioner (OPC) has produced a new set of guidelines outlining what information should and should not be collected by landlords when deciding whether someone will make a suitable tenant.

These guidelines are aimed at landlords in the private sector in response to media reports last year that potential tenants were asked for unjustified information such as bank accounts that could be used to discriminate.

The guidelines provide clarity on what information can and cannot be sought by a landlord. For more information go [HERE](#)

Allies for Muslims

This is a new Youthline service to support any youth between 12 and 16 years who may be struggling or just need an ally to chat with.

The Allies are young adults trained to support, respect, and help – a dedicated individual who will check in with the young person several times a week.

[Click here to find out more.](#)

He waka eke noa / All Right?

Campaign Posters in translation The posters have been translated into seven different languages following requests from our Muslim communities: Arabic, Dari, Hindi, Nepali, Somali, Tigrinya, and Urdu. [The translated posters \(as well as Te Reo and English versions\) can be ordered online.](#)

The Shielded Site

Now any website can be a place of refuge. If you need help but are worried about repercussions from a controlling or abusive partner, this is a safe way to find it. With [The Women's Refuge Shielded Site](#), victims of domestic violence access a shielded portal through which they can contact us, find out how to make a plan to safely get out of a dangerous situation, learn how to stay safe online and get answers to questions about what comes next – all without fear of it showing up in their browser history for anyone else to find.

NEED A WEBSITE WITH CONTENT THAT CONNECTS WITH YOUR NOT-FOR-PROFIT AUDIENCE?



Hi, I'm Justin. I've been a communication and website manager in the charity and not-for-profit sector for 10 years.

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Planning for Growth - Draft Spatial Plan

Wellington City Council is seeking feedback on [Our City Tomorrow \(the Draft Spatial Plan\)](#) over the next few weeks and will be accepting submissions until **Monday 5 October 2020 at 5pm**.

The [Spatial Plan](#) sets out our 'blueprint' for where and how we want to direct growth across the city. With proposals to change heights and density, pre-1930s character protection settings, and central city zoning there is a lot to consider. If the web-based version is not your thing, you can see the summary document and fact sheets [here](#).

Let's End Loneliness

Learning more about loneliness is a step towards making a plan and changing your situation.

If you are feeling lonely, we know that's really tough, but we're really glad that you're looking for information. That's because learning more about loneliness is a step towards making a plan and changing your situation. Find out about [ways to tackle loneliness](#), and about [where you can get help](#).

Feeling lonely is something that most of us will experience during our lives, either briefly or for a longer time. Loneliness is painful and distressing, and it happens when we feel that we don't have enough relationships, or when the relationships that we do have are not meeting our emotional needs.

Loneliness is different from social isolation. We can be isolated (alone) but not feel lonely, and we can feel lonely when there are lots of people around us.

Loneliness happens to a lot of us. In New Zealand 16.5% of people over 15 feel lonely at least some of the time. Loneliness can be the result of life changes like bereavement, moving to a new area, or losing a job, or it can be due to other things that make us vulnerable. Examples are being on a low income, being young or very old, being a migrant, or living alone. [Find out more](#).

Whatever the cause, if we feel lonely, it's important to do something about it. Being connected to others helps us to survive. Just like thirst or hunger, loneliness is a cue that we need to do something to take care of ourselves. If we don't then it can damage our health. Researchers have found that loneliness is as bad for our health as moderate smoking and is more harmful than obesity or lack of exercise.

[Find out more about the health effects of loneliness](#).

Over the past decade there has been an increased focus amongst researchers, policy makers, and the media on loneliness and how to tackle it. That's good, because we're learning more about what works to tackle loneliness, and we're seeing governments investing in addressing the issue. [See what we're saying to government](#).

Ending loneliness is not just a government responsibility though. It's something that we can all contribute to. Thank you for visiting our website. Keep exploring to find out more about how you can get involved, and about what we can all do:

- [For ourselves](#)
- [In our community](#)
- [In our workplace](#)

Together we can end loneliness one person, one community, one workplace at a time.

The New Zealand Coalition to End Loneliness was set up by these 7 founding organisations who all work in different ways to bring people together, and to reach and support people who are feeling lonely and isolated:

- [Age Concern New Zealand](#)
- [Alzheimers New Zealand](#)
- [Carers New Zealand](#)
- [RNZRSA](#)
- [Salvation Army](#)
- [St John New Zealand](#)
- [Student Volunteer Army](#)

We formed the Coalition in 2018, because we know that solving a social problem like loneliness can't be done by one organisation alone. We are committed to working together to tackle loneliness and create communities in which New Zealanders have the relationships and support that they need to thrive. The Coalition aims to:

- Grow understanding of loneliness and make it easier to talk about.
- Provide clear information about what we can all do to tackle loneliness.
- Advocate together to prompt action on loneliness at government level.

This Lets End Loneliness website is part of this plan. We encourage you to explore the site to learn about:

- What we can all do about loneliness for ourselves, in our whanau and communities, and in our workplaces.
- Research about loneliness, and about what works to address it.
- What we're saying to government.
- How you can get involved.

[Find out more HERE](#)



Designed for Addiction:

Pathways from gaming to gambling

An interview series that will look into the gamblification of gaming. Organised as part of Gambling Harm Awareness Week.

When: Thursday 3 September, 12-2pm

Where: 3 Macdonald Cres, Te Aro, Wellington

More info at pgf.nz/GHAW2020



PGF GROUP

Healthy and resilient communities inside a just society

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Department Support Staff

Part-time (30 hours p/w), fixed-term (6 months)

Vinnies Wellington is on the hunt for a Support Person to join the team based at the Vinnies Welfare and Support hub in Newtown, as well as nine op shop locations around Wellington.

This role will involve assisting the service team to triage clients and support welfare needs. When needed it will also include relieving staff roles throughout the Society including op shops, administration, warehouse and Vinnies Re Sew.

See the full job advert at SEEK NZ: shorturl.at/tvxT9

How to apply

Email your Cover Letter and Resume to manager@vinnieswgtm.org.nz by Monday 7 September at 4pm.

For the full Job Description and if you have any questions, please contact Millie, at marketing@vinnieswgtm.org.nz.

Assistant House Manager

Wellington Homeless Women's Trust
Part-time

Job Description

The Wellington Homeless Women's Trust is committed to supporting women who are faced with a period of transition in their lives. The women we accommodate need supportive accommodation for up to three months, are actively committed to seeking more secure accommodation and are openly utilizing professional support.

We are looking for an assistant house manager to support our house manager in supporting women in a five bedroom facility in central Wellington, and assisting the women to move into their own independent accommodation.

It is vital that the assistant manager has a commitment to and understanding of women who are faced with homelessness, their individual needs and how best to support them in moving forward. At least two years' experience working within the mental health, addiction and/or social care sector is necessary, as is an

understanding of other services and government ministries.

This is a part time role (16 hours a week), based in a location in Wellington City.

[Role Description](#)

How to Apply

Please send your application to the house manager, Hiria Tareha, at manager@homeless.org.nz by 5pm, Monday 31 August.

Administrator

PeerZone
Full-Time

Are you an ace at admin? Are you interested in mental health? Do spreadsheets excite you, numbers entice you, google docs delight you, and data recording inspire you?

PeerZone is a mental health social enterprise that provides peer support to people aged between 18-25 in the Wellington region.

www.peerzone.info/piki

We are looking for an energetic person, with great admin and people skills to coordinate the administration of our Piki peer support service. Tasks include managing referrals, liaising with peer supporters, weekly reporting to the funder, checking documents, doing social media posts and other administration tasks.

Skills include:

- Numeracy, data recording and spreadsheet skills
- Competence with Word, Excel and Google Drive
- Experience with social media.
- Strong people skills, cultural sensitivity and respectful of peoples' needs.

We welcome applications from young people and people with experience of mental distress.
Hours and remuneration: Up to 30 hrs per week, at \$30.00ph

Applications close: 9.00am Monday August 31st.
Interviews: 7th September.
Must be available to start: 14th September 2020
Please send CV and cover letter to: piki@peerzone.info



New to NZ parents?

We can help!

Free Information Session

Migrant

Connect

TOPICS: *Keeping your children healthy
*Early Childhood Support
*Learning English and finding work

WHEN: 9.30-11.00 Thursday 10 September 2020

WHERE: Berhampore School Hall, 105 Britomart Street Berhampore 6023

CONTACT: welcab@cab.nz.org
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Johnsonville 04 4785690
Karori 04 4764595
Kilbirnie 04 3873573
Newtown 04 3893813

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www.cab.org.nz

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TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

Giving Voice to Tamariki and Rangatahi in Community Organisations

A new webinar:

Judge Becroft, Children's Commissioner, will discuss how community organisations can focus on and respond to priorities for our tamariki and rangatahi. He will share insights into how children fared during the Covid-19 lockdown and examine what is needed in 2020/2021 to support our young people going forward

Date: Monday 7th September, 3pm.

Book now! <https://www.eventbrite.co.nz/e/giving-voice-to-tamariki-and-rangatahi-in-community-organisations-tickets-114828964524>

Website page <http://www.communityresearch.org.nz/giving-voice-to-tamariki-and-rangatahi-in-community-organisations/>

And our Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/CommunityResearchNZ/>

Coming Up At Sustainability Trust

Beeswax Wrap Workshop

Is back for Bee Awareness Month. Join us for this fun DIY workshop where you will get to make your own beeswax wrap - Wednesday, 16 September from 5.30 pm to 6.30 pm - Sustainability Trust HQ, 2 Forresters Lane - [Get your ticket now](#)

Clothing Swap

Did you miss out on our last clothing swap? No worries, we're pumped to announce that we're doing it again - Thursday, 12 November 2020 from 6 pm to 8 pm - Sustainability Trust HQ - 2 Forresters Lane - [Get your ticket now](#).

MHERC Mental Health Education and Resource Centre

Has many interesting courses seminars and workshops coming up: for full details see the website [HERE](#)

How a Rainbow Community Collaboration is Changing Mental Health Practice in Aotearoa

A new webinar:

Tabby Besley (InsideOut), Gloria Fraser (VUW) and Pooja Subramanian (Rainbow Youth) will talk about their collaboration to create a Rainbow resource for mental health professionals and how it is being used to shift professional mental health practice in Aotearoa and make a difference for our Rainbow communities.

Date: Friday 11th September, 11am.

Book now! <https://www.eventbrite.co.nz/e/how-the-rainbow-community-is-changing-mental-health-practice-in-aotearoa-tickets-114830045758>

Website page www.communityresearch.org.nz/how-a-rainbow-community-collaboration-is-changing-mental-health-practice-in-aotearoa/

And our Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/CommunityResearchNZ/>

Safe for Children – Online Training

Certificated online training to provide staff and volunteers must have information and techniques to ensure child protection, behaviour guidance, and health and safety training needs are covered.

Modules costs \$25 + g.s.t. per person – participants can log on and listen at work or use a mobile device. To view the calendar of training, read more, and to book: [Safe for Children On-Line](#)

How Important is your Reputation?

If reputation matters to you and your organisation, you need to understand the critical role effective communication and engagement plays in reputation management – before, during and after an issue or crisis.

- St Johns in the City Cnr Willis and Dixon Sts Wellington
- Friday 4 September - 10am to 11.30am
- Tea and coffee provided
- Community Groups and Non-for-Profits - \$5 koha

[Find out More or Register](#)



Rights of Employees

Free Information Session



Migrant

Connect

- TOPICS:**
- Employment Contracts
 - Legal Entitlements
 - How to raise concerns
 - Where to get help

WHEN: 10.30 – 12.00 Thursday 17 September 2020

WHERE: CAB Central Wellington • James Smith Building • Corner Cuba & Manners St • Wellington •

CONTACT: RSVP welcab@cab.org.nz

Citizens Advice Bureaus offer free, face to face support to new migrants at:
Central Wellington 04 4722466
Johnsonville 04 4785690
Karori 04 4764595
Kilbirnie 04 3873573
Newtown 04 3893813

0800 FOR CAB (0800 367 222)
www.cab.org.nz



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Learn How to Use Zoom (video Chatting/Conferencing Software)



A free drop-in-service
Smart Newtown 9/11 Constable Street, Newtown
smartnewtown@gmail.com 380 0143

Smart Newtown wants to support you to be able to use Zoom! Zoom is a popular software that you can download easily and for free on both your cellphone and your computer/laptop.

It's for videoing conferencing (having many people on one video call at a time). People use Zoom for various reasons, such as:

- Groups/workplaces/organisations use it for remote meetings.
- Friends/family use this for catchup's (when they can't get together in person)
- During lockdowns around the world there are lots of amazing events held on the software, like Newtown's own – "Lockdown Live : an open mic show" !

Smart Newtown welcomes you to come along and see the friendly staff who can help you to be able to use this software. They can help you with the following:

- How to download and install Zoom
- How to join a meeting
- How to make sure your video and microphone is working
- How to schedule and invite others to a meeting
- Problem solving issues you might have with it

We suggest you call (380 0143) or email (smartnewtown@gmail.com) to see when is good to visit them when our help-desk is open (as some days if it's busy you may have to wait or go away and come back when it's less busy)! We'll offer this service throughout Level 2.

Helpdesk hours:
Monday 9am-6pm
Tuesday 9am-6pm
Wednesday 12.30pm-6pm
Thursday 9am-6pm
Friday 12.30pm-6pm
Saturday 10am-2.30pm

If you intend to use Zoom on your laptop or phone you are welcome to bring this along with you to get all set up!

Risky Business The art of Assessing Suicide Risk and Imminent Danger



Wellington 23 September
Online Via Zoom 16 September

Undertaking a suicide risk assessment is not without its complexities. One size does not fit all. This advanced level workshop provides the opportunity for participants to depth their knowledge and competency in the "art" of assessing suicide risk and imminent danger through empathetic dialogue rather than a more traditional assessment interview process.

Evaluation of this training indicated that the content of this course is both relevant and applicable to the work of mental health and primary health clinicians; mental health support workers; counsellors and psychotherapists in private practice; school counsellors; frontline health, social service and community workers. Those without previous suicide prevention training would also benefit from attending this workshop.

Topics covered:

- Overview of the phenomenon of suicide and the 'suicidal moment'
- What is meant by suicide risk? - Predisposing, Precipitating and Perpetuating Risk Factors
- COVIT-19 associated risk factors
- The art of suicide risk assessment: From assessment to conversation of enquiry
- A holistic approach to assessment - taking into account physical, emotional, cultural, socio-economic, and spiritual factors or influencers,
- Asking the question to get the answer: Integrating assessment questions into a counselling/support context
- Discussing suicide with a client and making sense of the suicidal narrative
- Coping vs Safety Planning

[Find Out More or Register](#)

2020 Retreat

“Growing resilient children from toddlers to teens in an age of overindulgence.”



Facilitated by Madeleine Taylor, People Skills Consultant.

Member ANZASW, Cert Level 2 Org Coach, Certified Mediator, Conflict Partnership Facilitator

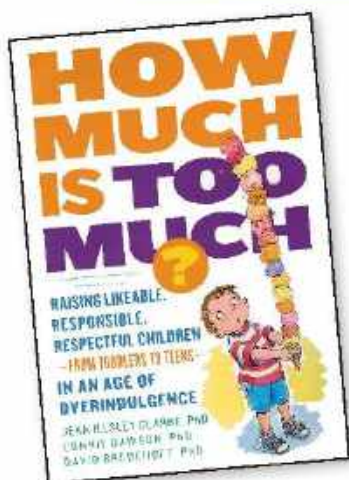
Thursday 12th – Monday 16th November 2020

Location: New Plymouth, New Zealand

Are you a parent/parent educator/teacher/early childhood teacher/group worker/counsellor/social worker/youth worker? Then this workshop is for you.

Cost for three meals a day, 40 hours training and a complementary “How much is too much?” book – \$995 incl GST.

Early Bird Rate: \$500 if booked and paid by 1st October 2020.



Madeleine's accreditation for “How much is too much?”

- 2013 Five day training in “How much is Enough?” USA
- 2014 Teaching Certification
- 2015 Training Rights in NZ
- 2016 Inaugural Train the Trainer Course
- 2017-2020 Train the Trainer Retreat

What the course covers:

- Facilitation and group skills
- Research into the impact of overindulgence
- Practical learning for presenting the 6 sessions
- Self-care, growth and development.

Contact: Madeleine ph 027 211 6469, email madeleine@peopleskillsconsulting.co.nz or www.peopleskillsconsulting.co.nz for enrolment and secure your place now.



Madeleine Taylor
People Skills Consultant



AWARENESS WEEKS

SEPTEMBER

[Tongan Language Week](#)

Sunday 6 September – Saturday 12 September 2020

[Te Wiki O Te Reo Māori - Māori Language Week](#)

Monday 14 September - Sunday 20 September 2020

[International Literacy Day](#)

Tuesday 8 September 2020

[Conservation Week](#)

5 - 13 September 2020

[International Day of Peace](#)

Monday 21 September 2020

[Tuvaluan Language Week](#)

Sunday 27 September – Saturday 3 October 2020

[Chinese Language Week](#)

Sunday 20 September - Saturday 26 September 2020

[Loud Shirt Day](#)

Sunday 27 September 2020

OCTOBER

[World Vegetarian Day](#)

1 October 2020

[World Animal Day](#)

4 October Day

[World Teachers' Day](#)

Monday 5 October 2020

[Fijian Language Week](#)

Sunday 4 October – Saturday 10 October 2020

[Niuean Language Week](#)

Sunday 11 October – Saturday 17 October 2020

[Tokelauan Language Week](#)

Sunday 25 October – Saturday 31 October 2020

Reliable, Accurate and Up-to-Date Information

To ensure you have the best advice, following is a range of organisations to support you and you whānau. These organisations work in your community and can provide more detailed information for a range of health conditions.

[Alzheimers NZ.](#)

[Arthritis NZ.](#)

[Asthma and Respiratory Foundation NZ.](#)

[Cancer Society.](#)

[Diabetes NZ.](#)

[Hāpai Te Hauora Public Health.](#)

[Heart Foundation.](#)

[Kidney Health NZ.](#)

[Māori](#)- As tangata whenua, it's important that Māori have access to tailored and relevant information, resources and practical guidance and advice on how to manage the COVID-19 pandemic.

[Older people](#)- If you're an older person you may find this information helpful.

Pasifika – go to [Le Va](#) and [Vaka Tautua.](#)

Pregnant and new mums [start here.](#)

[Stroke Foundation.](#)

Unite against COVID-19 - For access to high quality information, the New Zealand Government [Unite against COVID-19 website](#) focuses on what we can all do to help the country recover from COVID-19

Life might feel like a bit of a rollercoaster right now, and it's completely normal to be feeling a range of emotions about it all. If you've noticed you're really not feeling yourself, there is help available. You can free call or text 1737 any time, 24 hours a day. You can also call Lifeline on 0800 543354, the Anxiety Helpline on 0800 269 4389, or text HELP to 4357. For further tips on how to stay mentally well at the moment, head to the [Mental Health Foundation's website.](#)

FUNDING

NEW LOTTERY COVID-19 INITIATIVES FUND \$40 Million

The Right Honourable Tracey Martin has announced the 'Lottery COVID-19 Community Wellbeing Fund' of \$40 million to focus on Community and Social initiatives.

"Community groups responded incredibly to the initial lockdown and continue to play a vital role in supporting the most vulnerable people and communities," Minister Martin said.

"The Lottery Grants Board wants to help these groups as they provide support, rebuild and strengthen our communities and help with the recovery.

"The funding will be able to be used to support groups that have lost access to funding sources, have extra demand on their services or are now working in different ways in responding to COVID-19."

The Fund will provide one-off grants and is expected to be up and running in the last quarter of the year.

To read more - [CLICK HERE](#)

MSD - COMMUNITY CAPABILITY AND RESILIENCE FUND - \$36 Million

The Community Capability and Resilience Fund (CCRF) is a fund available to community groups for initiatives that support the rebuild and recovery from COVID-19. The \$36 million fund is available from 1 August 2020 to support communities over the next two years.

The CCRF builds on the success of the Community Awareness and Preparedness Grant Fund (CAP Fund), which was established by the government to provide immediate support to communities during the COVID-19 lockdown. The CCRF allows the success of the CAP Fund to continue on a larger scale. Like the CAP Fund, the purpose of the CCRF is to provide assistance and support for community groups working with priority populations as they respond, rebuild and recover from the impacts of COVID-19.

To read more - [CLICK HERE](#)

Generosity New Zealand Funding information

givUS offers access to more than 1,200 grants and schemes for communities, volunteer organisations, schools, groups, sport clubs and Iwi. Find assistance for nearly everything <http://generosity.org.nz/giv-us/> This service can be accessed **free** from a public library

The Tindall Foundation

The following Programme Areas have been identified as a focus for donations: supporting families & social services; enterprise and employment; caring for our environment and preserving biodiversity; strengthening the 3rd sector; promoting generosity and giving. **Always open**

The Tindall Foundation, PO Box 33 181, Takapuna, North Shore City 0740. PHONE: (09) 488 0170
FAX: (09) 486 2365 EMAIL: admin.ttf@tindall.org.nz
WEB: <http://www.tindall.org.nz>

Workbridge Support Fund

Training- to support people with disabilities in training opportunities. Self Start Fund- to help people with disabilities set up their own business. Job Support Fund- to help people with disabilities move into employment

Always open

Workbridge Wellington PO Box 31 687 LOWER HUTT 5040 PH: (04) 499 7350 FAX: (04) 499 1460
EMAIL: Wellington@workbridge.co.nz
WEB: <http://www.workbridge.co.nz>

What the COVID-19 Alert Levels mean for WCT

	Alert Level 1	Alert Level 2	Alert Level 3	Alert Level 4
Contacting WCT admin@wct.org.nz	Call us or Email us		Email us (We will call you)	
Priority will be given to organisations supporting whānau and community wellbeing, particularly for those most impacted by direct and indirect consequences of COVID-19.				
What Can You Apply For	Community Needs (Recovery Focused) <ul style="list-style-type: none">Changed Service DeliveryCapacity/AvailabilityNeeds in accordance with govt. guidelines		Immediate Community Needs <ul style="list-style-type: none">Changed Service DeliveryCapacity/Availability	
When Alert Levels Change Your Plans	Email us and we will call you to discuss			

Wellington Community Trust

This Newsletter is produced by
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NOMINATION FORM

CNW Executive Committee 2020-21

- CNW welcomes nominations for the executive committee from any organisation that has been a member (preferably) for at least one year.
- The **organisation holds the executive seat** and ensures ongoing representation throughout the year.
- The representative of the organisation **must be able to attend executive meetings** throughout the year, as well as being available to work on specific initiatives as they arise.

(PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY)

ORGANISATION _____

ADDRESS _____

NAME & POSITION OF NOMINATED REPRESENTATIVE FROM THE ORGANISATION:

WORK PHONE _____ **MOB:** _____

SEND EMAILS TO _____

NOMINATED BY WHO: _____

(must be from above member organisation –print name and sign)

POSITION: _____

SIGNED _____ **DATE** _____

Please forward your nomination to:

Community Networks Wellington Inc. (CNW)
Coordinator
PO Box 11-706, Manners Street
WELLINGTON 6011

Community Networks Wellington Incorporated

EXECUTIVE MEMBER JOB DESCRIPTION

Role of the Executive

The Executive is responsible for the Governance of CNW: for developing CNW policies, providing strategic guidance to the staff and monitoring their performance. The specific responsibilities are set out below. The paid staff are responsible for the management of CNW.

Responsibilities

The Executive must ensure that its activities, decisions, relationships and approach to all matters are consistent with its obligation to act in the best interests of all of CNW's members (and the communities they serve), employees and stakeholder.

Executive members are responsible for taking collective decisions in accordance with the previous paragraph, taking collective responsibility for those decisions and ensuring that they are implemented impartially.

Executive members are expected to function collegially instead of as representatives of the particular organisation that they come from, and to be prepared to put the collective interest of members ahead of any sectional and local interests.

Strategic Direction

The Executive must ensure that CNW has a strategic plan that is consistent with any obligations arising from a contract for service negotiated with its stakeholders. The strategic plan will set out CNW's purpose, vision and its objectives.

The Executive must also ensure that CNW has an annual plan that is consistent with the strategic plan and with requirements specified in any contract for service with primary stakeholders.

Policy

The Board is responsible for setting CNW's policies and ensuring that they are implemented.

General Accountability

The Executive is responsible for establishing a framework for management of responsibilities - who does what. This is a clear statement of responsibilities, limitations and reporting requirements. The Executive receives and approves reports on management responsibilities and is responsible for regular staff performance reviews.

Financial Accountability

The Executive is responsible for

- Approving an annual budget.
- Monitoring financial performance against the budget and implement remedial action when necessary.
- Ensuring that an annual audit is completed.
- Giving direction to efforts by management to secure additional and/or alternative funding
- Ensuring the long term financial viability of CNW
- Approving capital expenditure plans.

Effective Communication

The Board has an obligation to communicate effectively with paid staff. This responsibility includes:

- Ensuring that staff are informed about and understand the aims, the vision, the objectives and the rationale for decisions that affect them.
- Ensuring that staff have the opportunity to:
 - discuss issues with Board members and to question the Board
 - put forward ideas and suggestions
 - have concerns answered
 - be satisfied that they have been fully consulted and informed
 - have regular performance reviews
- Ensuring that CNW communicates effectively with CNW members, the Wellington community; external stakeholders; local City Councilors; local MPs and the media. Ensure the operation of the Executive Committee recognizes the Treaty of Waitangi within the service offered in the Wellington area
Create opportunities for CNW to expand where there is a need, and to focus where it is most useful. Ensure the presence of CNW is known by appropriate organizations/stakeholders and in its community of interest. By attending relevant meetings in the social service sector.
Liaise and communicate effectively with other organisations which have similar and on-going service interests.

Legal Requirements

The Executive must ensure that its organisation, operations and arrangements are consistent with its obligations under the law including the requirements in Employment Relations, Occupation Health and Safety, Privacy and Human Rights legislation.