



# SEWN NEWS

Hereturi-koka / August 2017



Welcome to the August/Hereturi-koka 2017 Social Equity & Wellbeing Network (SEWN) newsletter.

## Put it in your diary!

**Keep Calm and Leave it for Later!**

This is a busy time of year for many groups as we get major funding applications submitted. A reminder that Rata now has no closing date, so you can submit an application whenever it suits your workload or cashflow projections.

It's SEWN's AGM time again, and we always have great speakers for you to come along and hear.

We can't let the cat out of the bag yet, but make sure you put aside

**Thurs 14 Sept, at 3.30pm**

and look out for further info once we confirm all the details.

How about putting your name forward for election to the SEWN board?

We have a great team and we're at an exciting time in SEWN's development. If you're interested, give us a call at the SEWN office and we'll sort out the formalities with you.

*I really value SEWN's connection with the organisations that share its values; and I learn a lot from everyone I meet through being involved.*

*Ian Lothian, Chair*

## Inside August:

**Election 2017 issues**

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## Clare in the Community

Have you seen the new memo from Management clamping down on staff wasting time watching non-relevant videos?

Fair enough. There's no place for tap-dancing cats in a social work office.

For what?



*With thanks to the Guardian and Harry Venning*

Newsletter for and by the Community Sector in Waitaha (Canterbury)

Email items for SEWN's September newsletter to [newsletter@sewn.org.nz](mailto:newsletter@sewn.org.nz) by Friday 25<sup>th</sup> August 2017.

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# Non-profit Sector Priorities for Election 2017

On Saturday 23 September our country will go to the polls to elect a new government. The lead-up to that will see lots of debate and competing claims from the candidates about what policies we need for social equity and community wellbeing. Our sector will also want to see policies for a thriving sector. Over the past few months we've been featuring views from the sector. Here's some more from our colleagues.

*Spotted: Minister for the Community and Voluntary Sector  
Alfred Ngaro closely reading our July story under this headline.*

## Focus on families

*Thank you to Social Service Providers Aotearoa for providing this information on the family-related policies of the various political parties.*

**National's** top-line family initiative is the reduction of family violence through a mix of new offences to prosecute violence, early intervention, and helping perpetrators stop the abuse. [https://www.national.org.nz/supporting\\_safer\\_families](https://www.national.org.nz/supporting_safer_families)

**Labour** party's family package includes a boost for Working for Families, a Best Start payment for a child's early years, increased accommodation supplement, and a winter payment for those on benefits or superannuation to help with heating costs. <http://www.labour.org.nz/familiespackage>

The **Green** party's family package includes raising all benefits by 20%, removing penalties and sanctions on beneficiaries, and increasing income tax for the richest. <https://www.greens.org.nz/policy/social-policies/mending-safety-net>.

**NZ First's** family package is focused on employment as a means to reduce welfare dependency, while emphasising fairness and traditional family values. [http://www.nzfirst.org.nz/social\\_development](http://www.nzfirst.org.nz/social_development).

**United Future** has yet to announce its family package.

The **Opportunities Party's** family package includes a universal benefit of \$200 for all families with a child under 3 (under 6 if adopted or fostered), and a flat \$72 payment for low-income families instead of tax credits. <http://www.top.org.nz/top7>.

The **Act** party's family package includes limiting the solo parent benefit to five years maximum, and the job seeker benefit to three years maximum. <http://act.org.nz/welfare-and-the-family/>

## A Community Led Development election manifesto

*Thank you to Inspiring Communities for this manifesto.*

One of the roles Inspiring Communities has is to influence and advocate for more effective community-led approaches to be adopted across many sectors - community, business, local and central government.

With the general election fast approaching Inspiring Communities has prepared a **Manifesto** that outlines the value of community-led development and calls on political parties to commit to adopting a more community-centred approach.

Please download the Manifesto at <http://inspiringcommunities.org.nz/a-cld-election-manifesto/>, read it and share it with your community and most importantly discuss it your local candidates.

We encourage you to ask them a few questions such as:

What steps will they take as your local representative to put locally-advocated solutions at the centre of decision making? What is their party's position on taking a CLD approach to address the challenges faced in communities? Will their party adopt the five CLD principles as outlined in the manifesto?



**Summary of issues raised to date.** (You can add your organisation's support to any of the issues by contacting us.)

- **Mental Health:** redesign needed; increased funding. *Platform, The People's Mental Health Review, Action-Station.*
  - **Housing:** lack of safe, affordable housing; homelessness. *Salvation Army, Community Housing Aotearoa.*
  - **Poverty:** entrenched child poverty. *Salvation Army, CPAG, Barnardos*
  - **Justice:** increasing prison incarceration rates, high recidivism rates. *Salvation Army*
  - **Abuse:** call for an inquiry into abuse while in state care. *MSSAT, HRC, Whanau Ora Partnership Group, People First, Maori Women's Welfare League, Disabled Persons Assembly*
  - **Community led development:** *Inspiring Communities*
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## Focus Required on Families for More Effective Social Policy

Press Release: Superu

Superu has just released its fifth annual Families and Whānau Status Report, a series that measures and monitors the wellbeing of New Zealand families and whānau. This report presents new research into the patterns of multiple disadvantage across New Zealand families. Results show that:

- While most New Zealanders (82%) lead lives relatively free of disadvantage, a significant minority (18%) experience disadvantage in three or more of eight life areas (domains) such as health, income and employment.
- Families experience different types of disadvantage across the course of their life. Older couples are more likely to experience disadvantage in education and health life areas, while for younger families disadvantage in housing and material wellbeing life areas was more common.
- Single parents with young children were much more likely to experience disadvantage in three or more of eight life areas. Around half had three or more domains in disadvantage and just 12% had none.

Superu Deputy Chief Executive Vasantha Krishnan said "this research into the patterns of multiple disadvantage across New Zealand families illustrates that when designing social services which support people who have multiple issues, to take into account that these issues can be interconnected. Krishnan adds "for example we found that half of those with a housing disadvantage also had two or more issues that they need support with."

The report also included new research on social support networks families can access.

- Nearly all the people who lived with a partner could count on the family they lived with for help and support, but single parents and older people living alone had fewer people they could call on for help than other family types.
- People living alone were more likely to have no one they could ask for help or support, especially when they were feeling low. This group was least likely to have someone they could call on when they were sick or to talk to when they felt depressed.
- For single parents, being employed is associated with having more support available from their friends and family than single parents not in employment.

Krishnan concludes "initiatives that promote the development of social networks and community connections will become increasingly important as our population ages."

Superu has published work undertaken across six projects in this year's report. More in-depth information on the Patterns of Multiple Disadvantage in New Zealand Families is available in a separate report.

This families and whānau report series provides an essential background to any study, process or programme involving social services and will aid better decision-making to improve the lives of New Zealand's families, whānau and their communities. View all the research here: <http://www.superu.govt.nz/statusreport>

# Taking Stock – a Forum to Learn about Central and Local Governments’ and Funders’ Initiatives that Support Sector Recovery

This SEWN forum was held on 23 May 2017 as part of a stocktaking exercise in relation to the CERA-initiated report *Third Sector / Not-for-Profit Sector Recovery in Post-Earthquake Christchurch*. The report contains over 30 Action Points to aid in the recovery and wellbeing of the third / not-for-profit sector. Some of the Action Points identify a main stakeholder group that they apply to. Funders and central and/or local government were included in the stakeholder groups.

Lots has been happening for sector wellbeing since the earthquakes, resulting in progress on some of the Action Points. SEWN invited a sample of funders, and of central and local government units that were closely involved with the sector, to talk about what their organisations were doing that supported or aligned with any of the Action Points.

## **Karyn McLeod & Kate Sclater** (RATA Foundation)

Rata is focusing on capabilities (knowledge, skills and competencies), capacities (systems), and context (environment). Their current activity includes supporting the NFP Toolbox directory. Rata has improved funding application processes by removing deadlines and is slowly introducing multi-year funding.

## **Claire Phillips** (Christchurch City Council -CCC)

CCC has 16 Community Development Advisors who work with Strengthening Communities Strategy and Community Outcomes. Their goal is: “Improved localised decision-making”. CCC has recently reviewed its funding process to make it easier and quicker for groups.

Core funding / operating costs are now recognised, multi-year funding has been introduced and no more Key Local Projects; these have been taken over by Community Boards. The Small Grants fund has been disestablished.

## **Jenn Chowaniec** (Wayne Francis Charitable Trust)

WFCT is a family philanthropic where its work must meet its charitable objectives set out in the trust deed. WFCT must raise its own funding, to have a grant-making budget. It is a proactive, interactive grant-maker aiming to make a contribution towards systemic change through best practice grant-making and looks to work collaboratively with a focus on the youth sector.

## **Julia Main** (Department of Internal Affairs)

DIA’s Community team provides advice and support to community organisations, and to the Lottery and COGS funding committees. COGS grants are decided by a committee of people elected from the community sector. DIA supports Community-Led Development, where communities decide what is needed. See: <https://www.dia.govt.nz/Resource-material-Our-Policy-Advice-Areas-Community-led-Development>

## **James Tricker** (ECan)

Ecan has Zone Committees, in partnership with Ngai Tahu and local Councils, and are reaching out to community. Ecan has funding available for biodiversity work. Ecan also has a Memorandum of Understanding with the Avon-Estuary Trust, which it funds. Also funds other environment groups and has a focus on volunteering.

Following the speakers, the attendees had a good discussion of some of the issues. They included: different aspects of community; measures of success; other ways of resourcing the sector; volunteering; and collaboration.

Read the full summary of the hui [HERE](#) or go to our website: [www.sewn.org.nz](http://www.sewn.org.nz)

# Celebrating Matariki and the Voices of the Third Sector

## *Making connections for us and our children after us*

One Voice Te Reo Kotahi forum, 29 June 2017

In spite of several apologies, due to several major events coinciding with the Forum, 66 people gathered to reflect together on our Third Sector combined successes and challenges, and in the achieving of links between the four well-beings (economic, social, environmental and cultural). After sharing kai, we heard four wonderful presentations from each of these four well-beings presenters, summarising themes emerging from the Third Sector Organisations (TSOs) involved in OVTRK. Here is an introduction to the presenters, and links to their presentations:

### **Environment**

Colleen Philip is a Christchurch East resident, a Friend of ECO, a founding trustee of the Waimakariri Environment and Recreation Trust and Chairperson of the North Canterbury branch of Forest & Bird. She ran a campaign to have kea named NZ Bird of the Year in 2016. She emphasised that this speech reflects her personal views; that she is not speaking on behalf of any organisation. She shares her passion for our natural heritage, her concern at all we risk with allowing the current crisis in nature in NZ, and some of the solutions being proposed from within the environment sector.

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### **Social**

As Kaitiiora of the Social Equity & Wellbeing Network (formerly COSS Chch) Sharon Torstonson was able to draw on a rich field of experience and wisdom that the social services third sector groups hold.

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### **Cultural**

Maria Fresia explores the inclusion of CALD (Culturally and Linguistic Diverse) communities in our region and their right to equal access to information, communication, and services through the lenses of CLING. CLING (Community Language Information Network Group) was formed in 2011 and includes members from the third sector, local and central government, and health sector. Over the years the group has developed a strong, productive and mutually satisfying collaborative approach.

[https://gallery.mailchimp.com/8f8d69331636b149fb381870d/files/5500122a-4eb7-4b24-8e8c-1eb1841b169f/Matariki\\_forum\\_final\\_presentation\\_Maria.pdf](https://gallery.mailchimp.com/8f8d69331636b149fb381870d/files/5500122a-4eb7-4b24-8e8c-1eb1841b169f/Matariki_forum_final_presentation_Maria.pdf)

### **Economic**

Margaret Jefferies is Chair of Project Lyttleton and a board member of Living Economies. To this work she brings her strengths of visioning; dreaming new possibilities, inspiring, and welcoming people into these futures: and manifesting, through a values base, consequent systems into our communities e.g. Time-Banking.

[https://gallery.mailchimp.com/8f8d69331636b149fb381870d/files/6ca42753-3ee7-4c91-abb3-dede001cfa71/Matariki\\_Forum\\_presentation\\_final\\_Margaret\\_J.pdf](https://gallery.mailchimp.com/8f8d69331636b149fb381870d/files/6ca42753-3ee7-4c91-abb3-dede001cfa71/Matariki_Forum_presentation_final_Margaret_J.pdf)

Following the presentations, discussion at 9 tables produced much food for thought. A list of points was recorded: [https://gallery.mailchimp.com/8f8d69331636b149fb381870d/files/37665c5f-a3ab-4349-9f72-5ca5aa0f1142/Matariki\\_2017\\_feedback\\_to\\_plenary.pdf](https://gallery.mailchimp.com/8f8d69331636b149fb381870d/files/37665c5f-a3ab-4349-9f72-5ca5aa0f1142/Matariki_2017_feedback_to_plenary.pdf)

The OVTRK Organising Group will be following up the Forum with the Greater Christchurch Partnership Group. A particular focus will be on how the statutory bodies can show that they value Third Sector voices; and in what way those can be part of deliberations on Strategy and Policy for Greater Christchurch. Noting the limitations of the market approach to planning, OVTRK is particularly interested in finding out how we

can be assisted to develop Third Sector valuation methodologies, oversee our own performance, and be involved in Strategy and Policy.

Helen Leahy from Te Putahitanga spoke briefly of the Whanau Ora Outcomes that may be a useful model: [https://gallery.mailchimp.com/8f8d69331636b149fb381870d/files/8ce7d9a7-59e2-4e41-8d21-658cfe32abf8/Whanau\\_Ora\\_Outcomes\\_Framework\\_Appendix\\_version\\_WO\\_Annual\\_Su.pdf](https://gallery.mailchimp.com/8f8d69331636b149fb381870d/files/8ce7d9a7-59e2-4e41-8d21-658cfe32abf8/Whanau_Ora_Outcomes_Framework_Appendix_version_WO_Annual_Su.pdf)

And do remember that people involved in Third Sector Organisations (TSOs) that are committed to the [kaupapa](#) of One Voice Te Reo Kotahi can serve on the Organising Group: email [tsovoices@gmail.com](mailto:tsovoices@gmail.com).

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## **Grandparent caregivers receive “dreadful” treatment by Work and Income**

Press Release: [Grandparents Raising Grandchildren](#)

An in-depth analysis of more than 800 grandparent care families desperately seeking support needed to look after their grandchildren has revealed concerns about our welfare systems in New Zealand. Kate Bundle, Chief Executive of Grandparents Raising Grandchildren Trust, says that their large research had identified “massive problems” with their clients accessing the Unsupported Child Benefit (UCB).

The figures speak for themselves, she notes. “Only fifteen percent are told they are entitled to the UCB on first approach, while many others are erroneously told they are not entitled to any support”. Bundle notes that many grandparents wait “years” for assistance. “Last year one woman bringing up five grandchildren received years of arrears in a lump sum and an apology, although she still only has about half the amount she was actually entitled to and she is not alone. We have many grandparents turning to us for help to get financial support for the children in their care, when they should have received it years ago”.

Grandparents are shocked at the state of Work and Income offices, where they are made to stand or sit in line for ages, declare their business in front of “everyone”, have their papers lost, receive conflicting advice, explain their business over and over and often get given incorrect information. Bundle says that “the majority find the quality of the service dreadful. Some are even fearful of Work and Income staff and the whole experience and some even give up rather than put themselves through the stressful rigmarole.”

Even worse than the office processes are the attitudes frequently found in these offices. “Many grandparents comment on the rude attitudes of staff. There is little respect for clients and many staff act as if ‘it is their own money’, providing support only grudgingly if at all,” says Bundle

“These grandparents are caring for some of our most vulnerable and traumatised children who would be in state care if it wasn’t for their grandparents taking them on. Just like children in care, they need help and financial support and that’s all they’re asking for. Support for the children, not for themselves. Is it too much to ask that they be treated with respect and advised from the get-go as to the supports available if they meet the criteria, rather than being punished and denied supports by staff who very often aren’t even applying the law correctly?” asks Bundle.

“Grandparents seeking income support reveal “Daniel Blake”-like experiences”, says GRG Researcher, Dr Liz Gordon of the participants in the study. The award-winning British movie ‘I, Daniel Blake’, told the fictitious story of one man seeking to get income support after a heart attack. “Director Ken Loach noted that “hundreds of thousands of people – the vulnerable and the poorest people – are treated by this government with a callousness and brutality that is disgraceful” and that is what it is like for many grandparents seeking support for the children,” says Gordon.

In the recent paper authored by Gordon and published in the journal Kotuitui, which is part of a series being published on the 2016 Grandparents and Whanau Caregiver research project, the data led to three conclusions. First, that the grandparents are in an excellent position, as older persons often with years of work experience, to critique the practices they find in Work and Income offices. Second, that grandparents seeking support for bringing up their grandchildren should take advocates (or ‘gradvocates’) with them to ensure they receive their entitlements. Finally, that the service standards published by Work and Income are continually breached, not displayed in offices and are not subject to a complaints procedure, thus have no teeth at all. The full report is available at this link:

[Experiences of grandparents raising grandchildren in getting income support from work and income offices in New Zealand](#)

## The Healthy Greater Christchurch Interim Group

The Greater Christchurch Partnership identified Healthy Christchurch as a lead for the 'Health and Communities' stream of the Urban Development Strategy, along with the Selwyn and Waimakariri District Councils. This means we have an opportunity to formally strengthen and expand the Healthy Christchurch network and enhance its regional relevance.

The Interim Group will formalise a decision about whether to expand the network or not. The group will also be tasked with:

- developing a Terms of Reference for the next Advisory Group;
- developing a high-level work programme; and
- continuing to engage with signatories throughout its processes.
- An expanded Healthy Christchurch network would operate like the existing one, so would still lead new projects, be a vehicle for communication and consultation with communities, and provide a mechanism to be a voice at decision making tables around the region.

The second meeting of this group was held in June 2017. The Committee agreed on four general areas of a work plan to organise the group's actions:

- Information conduit.
- Supporting community signatory work.
- Greater Christchurch Partnership Resilience Plan implementation support.
- Other projects.

The group considered one aspect of the work plan and identified areas of commonality. Engagement with community/signatories is a priority.

### Organisations involved in the Interim Group

The Interim Group is made up of participants similar to those who participated on the Advisory Group. Participants may change as the Interim Group becomes clearer about what it needs to do. Current participating organisations include:

- Christchurch City Council: Helen Beaumont
- Community and Public Health: Sandy Brinsdon and Sara Epperson
- Environment Canterbury: Vanessa Scott
- Greater Christchurch Partnership: Keith Tallentire
- Mana Whenua ki Waitaha: Wendy Dallas-Katoa
- Ministry of Social Development: Shane Carter
- NGO signatories: Sharon Torstonson (from SEWN)
- Selwyn District Council: Lisa Larkin
- Waimakariri District Council: Tessa Sturley

Thanks to Claire Bryant, Rex Gibson, Gail McLauchlan and Marie Ward for participating in this meeting.

[Find out more about the Greater Christchurch Partnership.](#)

[Find out more about the Greater Christchurch Urban Development Strategy.](#)

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**If you want to travel fast, go alone  
If you want to travel far, go together**  
*Anon*

# HAVE YOUR SAY

SEWN alerts readers to consultation processes or lobbying initiatives that we think are of particular relevance to the social services sector or to non-profit organisations. However you can keep an eye out for issues of importance to you or your organisation by regularly visiting the following websites:

## **Christchurch City Council consultations:**

<http://www.ccc.govt.nz/the-council/have-your-say/whats-happening-now/consultations/>

## **Central government consultations:**

<https://www.parliament.nz/en/pb/sc/business-before-committees/>

**Action Station** is a great NGO and website to see what submissions are open and how to quickly submit an email or sign a petition on a current issue.

<http://www.actionstation.org.nz/campaigns> or <https://www.facebook.com/ActionStationNZ>

## **Life in Christchurch Surveys 2017**

The Christchurch City Council is currently seeking feedback on a range of topics related to transport in Christchurch, including:

- Travel choice
- Ease of travel
- Transport safety
- Journey satisfaction

All answers given will be anonymous. Your feedback will help inform decisions being made about the Central City as we continue to develop Christchurch into a great place where people want to be – both now and in the future. So **click on the link below** and have your say: [www.ccc.govt.nz/chchlife](http://www.ccc.govt.nz/chchlife)

## **Shout Out For Health**

Support the NZ Nurses Organisation to make health funding an election issue. Add your name to the campaign by putting it as a comment on their blog at <https://nznoblog.org.nz/2017/04/03/an-open-letter-to-new-zealand-voters-we-need-your-help/>

## **Inquiry into abuse in state care**

The Human Rights Commission is calling for an independent inquiry into the abuse that many children suffered while in the care of the state. You can add your voice to that call by signing the open letter at <http://www.neveragain.co.nz/>



## NOTICE BOARD

### **Elder Abuse – IT'S NOT OK**

Seniors Minister Maggie Barry has just launched a new Elder Abuse Response Service, including a free and confidential 24/7 helpline 0800 32 66 865. Registered nurses will listen and advise anyone who needs information or support about elder abuse, including victims, and concerned friends and family members. Translation services are also available. [Read Minister Barry's announcement.](#)

### **Healthy Food and Smoke Free Action Plans**

The plans were adopted by the City Council 22 June 2017. To find out how this affects public spaces more, go to: <https://ccc.govt.nz/the-council/newsline/show/1753>

### **Dementia Canterbury Annual Appeal October 6th & 7th 2017**

Dementia Canterbury's aim is to enable Cantabrians, Coasters and their families/whanau to 'live well' with dementia. If you or your members are available to attend a site for the Annual Appeal days or offer other support,

Dementia Canterbury would love to hear from you. Please contact either Julie or Karon on 03 379 2590 as soon as possible or email: [julie@dementiacanterbury.org.nz](mailto:julie@dementiacanterbury.org.nz) [karon@dementiacanterbury.org.nz](mailto:karon@dementiacanterbury.org.nz)

### **Mental Health Foundation launches 'Take the Load Off'**

The Mental Health Foundation is pleased to introduce Take the Load Off, a new online Like Minds, Like Mine campaign to reduce mental illness stigma and discrimination.

Take the Load Off will focus on the simple things people can do to reduce the weight of stigma and discrimination for people living with mental illness. It could be as small as asking someone how their day is going, inviting a friend to have lunch with you or offering to help someone out in the workplace.

In the first phase of the campaign the Mental Health Foundation is calling for people to share their own experiences. The stories shared will help to shape the campaign which will run from mid-July through until the end of September.



More information from [www.likeminds.org.nz](http://www.likeminds.org.nz) To contribute your experience, go to [www.taketheloadoff.nz](http://www.taketheloadoff.nz) Keep up to date with the campaign by subscribing to the [Like Minds, Like Mine newsletter](#) and following the campaign on [Facebook](#).

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### **New handbook to better support caregivers**

A new handbook brings together information about universal health and education services, making it easier for caregivers to find the information they need to access services. **Hand in Hand** book is being distributed to caregivers and is available online at: [www.mvcot.govt.nz](http://www.mvcot.govt.nz)

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### **Recommended reading on family and whānau violence.**

The New Zealand Family Violence Clearinghouse (NZFVC) has published recommended reading on family and whānau violence. The list of reports, articles and resources is a selection by NZFVC. See the List at <https://nzfvc.org.nz/recommended-reading>

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**Christchurch Enviro Hub** - Let's bring back an environment centre to Christchurch! The Christchurch Enviro hub is seeking expressions of interest for 'Establishment Trustees' to oversee the proposal to become a reality. If you have an environmental heart and relevant skills (e.g. project management, funding, green building, know how to have fun) or can think of someone else perfect for the role - contact Terra Dumont (Working Group - CEH Implementation Manager at [info@chchenvirohub.org](mailto:info@chchenvirohub.org) or **0276433899**) before the **31st July**. Check our Facebook page for more information on the project: [www.facebook.com/christchurchenvirohub/](http://www.facebook.com/christchurchenvirohub/)

### **Youth/Rangatahi**

#### **Experiences of Parental Imprisonment:**

Did you grow up with a parent or caregiver in prison?  
Was your parent/caregiver in prison in the last 2 years?  
Are you 17-25 years old?

I would like to talk to you and understand more about the experience of growing up with a parent/caregiver in prison so that we can help other young people, teachers, peers and wider community understand and improve support service for young people's needs.

Contact the researcher, Kate Merson Victoria Uni Wellington phone 027 451 8968 or [merson-kate@myvuw.ac.nz](mailto:merson-kate@myvuw.ac.nz)

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#### **From Richard Tankersley:**

After nearly nine years I'm leaving the Human Rights Commission at the end of July. I have some exciting plans for the medium term, but for now I'm looking for short-term contract work in leadership and culture, organisational support and development. I'm very familiar with working in the government, non-profit and private sectors, and am open to working in fee for service or project management frameworks. All invitations considered. Call me at 021 62 8870 or email me at: [richard@matarikiservices.nz](mailto:richard@matarikiservices.nz).

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**Recyclables Information** CCC Newline has recycling advice, information and a list of what not to put into the Yellow Bins: <https://ccc.govt.nz/news-and-events/newline/show/1828> Also to find out more about being plastic free: <http://osof.org/portfolio/plastic-free-nz>

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## **RESOURCES FOR YOU, YOUR COMMUNITY OR YOUR CLIENTS**

### **Speak Up-Korerotia update on Sound Cloud**

Links to the most recent shows:

#### [Human rights in the era of Trump](#)

Preceded by an interview with long-term human rights advocate John historian. With Peter Field, expatriates Americans Howard Klein and Laurie Siegel-Woodward, and Director of the National Centre for Peace and Conflict Studies Kevin Clements.

#### [Child poverty and the Budget 2017](#)

Co-hosted with Sara Epperson of Child Poverty Action Group (CPAG), we speak with economist Paul Dalziel and Helen Leahy of Te Putahitanga about the Budget

#### [30 years Nuclear-free NZ](#)

Guests Kate Dewes, MP Kennedy Graham and Natasha Barnes debate the past, present and future of this piece of legislation - which is particularly apt in light of the recent UN decision on nuclear arms.

#### [Cyberbullying](#)

Sean Lyons of Netsafe, Nikki Wheeler of youth anti-cyberbullying group Sticks 'n' Stones and George Guild of Ara discuss cyberbullying.

#### [Discussing Autism](#)

Co-host Mallory Quail with Robyn Young (Autism NZ), Bridget Carter (mother of two on the spectrum) & Dean Sutherland (UC's Dept. of Communication Disorders).

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### **Insulation grants for low-income home owners**

The Government has extended the eligibility for Warm Up New Zealand: Healthy Homes insulation grants to include low-income home owners in addition to landlords with low-income or high health need tenants.

The grants will provide 50 per cent of the cost of ceiling and underfloor insulation for low-income home owners, as well as low-income tenants who are already eligible. The grants will be available until the end

of June 2018. Landlords must insulate their rental properties by 1 July 2019.

The Energy Efficiency and Conservation Authority runs the Warm up New Zealand: Healthy Homes programme – find details at [www.energywise.govt.nz](http://www.energywise.govt.nz).

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**Insulation Funding** is available through Community Energy Action for Gold Card and Community Services card holders. At least 30% of the cost is available for ceiling and underfloor installation or topping up. Staff can also advise about managing heating when they visit. Free phone 0800 438 9276, 374 7222, or email [info@cea.co.nz](mailto:info@cea.co.nz) More information on: [www.cea.co.nz](http://www.cea.co.nz)

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### Suicide prevention videos encourage rangatahi to korero

A series of suicide prevention videos aimed at rangatahi are helping to shine a light on the issue and encourage young people to open up about their feelings. The fourth and final video in the series, called #OutintheOpen, looks at some of the myths around suicide and encourages rangatahi to share their thoughts and feelings with someone they trust. Watch the #OutintheOpen video [here](#)

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**Free JP Clinic** A Justice of the Peace will be available to members of the community, to witness signatures and documents, certify document copies, hear oaths, declarations, affidavits or affirmations as well as sign citizenship, sponsorship or rates rebates applications.

**When:** Every Tuesday 10am - 1pm

**Where:** Foyer, Beckenham Service Centre, South Library 66 Colombo St Christchurch

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**Advanced English classes** –concentrating on improved fluency and vocabulary and social opportunity to make friends.

**When:** Friday mornings 9.30 – 12pm

**Where:** 47 Mandeville Street Riccarton Christchurch  
Contact: [pat.syme@xtra.co.nz](mailto:pat.syme@xtra.co.nz) 021 041 6497

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### Learning Reo is Cool

New digital resources just launched enlist tamariki in the challenge of making te Reo Māori relevant and accessible.

A series of ten digital puzzles created by tech innovator Kiwa Digital, introduces te Reo Māori words and phrases to children aged 3-7 years in a fun and engaging way. Iconic characters Hairy Maclary and Slinky Malinki, mix it up with a friendly Tuatara, a road trip, shopping, and a boil-up. Learning reo is cool!

The puzzles can be accessed for free through website [www.reopuzzles.online](http://www.reopuzzles.online).

### Nationwide Health and Disability Advocacy

**Service:** If you feel that you have been treated unfairly and would like someone to advocate on your behalf. Rights-based information in 42 languages, free support or guidance with resolving your concerns about a Health or Disability Service; The web site contains information on the Code of Rights plus advice on how to find an advocate. Free Phone 0800 555 050 or go to the website: [advocacy.hdc.org.nz](http://advocacy.hdc.org.nz)

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**Be Active Canterbury** Suitable for anyone over 16 interested in increasing their physical activity or trying new things.

**Where:** St Martins Church,

**When:** Mondays 1.30pm - 3pm or

**Where:** Pioneer Recreation Centre

**When:** Wednesdays 6.25pm-7.15pm

To find out more phone Anna Wilson on 373 5045 or email [anna.wilson@sportcanterbury.org.nz](mailto:anna.wilson@sportcanterbury.org.nz)

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**The Brainwave Trust** FREE seminars on what parents and professionals can do to grow great brains in the early years. These engaging, informative seminars based on the latest science and research around the early years aim to arm parents and professionals alike with the information they need to support children's brain development.

**Monday 31st July 2017** (10am to 11.30am):

Te Puawaitanga Ki Otautahi Trust 153 Gilberthorpes Road Hornby Christchurch

**Monday 30th August 2017** (10am to 11.30am):

Sydenham Community Centre 25-27 Hutchinson Street Sydenham Christchurch. [Register online here](#) or go to [www.brainwave.org.nz/whats-on/pwvc/register/](http://www.brainwave.org.nz/whats-on/pwvc/register/)

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### Theatre of Spontaneity 2017- Psychodrama workshops

**Dates:** 1 Aug, 5 Sept, 3 Oct, 7 Nov, 5 Dec

**Time:** 6.30 -9pm (arrive at 6.15pm)

**Venue:** Addington Haven Hall corner Grove Rd & Church Square **Cost:** Koha

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### Salvation Army Community Ministries courses

Held at 853 Colombo Street Christchurch

**Create & Conquer – Sew & Chat** Starts 3<sup>rd</sup> August  
Thursdays 9.30-11.30

Some machines and materials for first project provided

**Triple P parenting discussion** starts 3<sup>rd</sup> August  
Thursdays 9.30-11.45 for parents of 2-12 year olds

**Life Skills for Women** Starts 2<sup>nd</sup> August  
Wednesdays 10am -12noon 8 x weekly sessions

**PLP Men's Group** Tuesdays 10am -12 noon

7 x 2 hour sessions For more info phone Jill 03 3668128 or email [christchurchcity\\_corps@nzf.salvationarmy.org](mailto:christchurchcity_corps@nzf.salvationarmy.org)

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### **Building Awesome Whanau Toolbox Course - Aranui.**

This course is packed full of ideas, positive stories from parents who are still on the journey with their own tamariki. You will get useful resources to help you build a great future for your whanau.

The activities in the course cover tamariki 0 –12 years. The course runs for 6 weeks/6 sessions.

**Start date:** Thursday 3rd August - Thursday 7th September **Time:** 9:45am—11:45am

**Venue:** Aranui Library, 109 Aldershot Street Christchurch

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### **Nga Puna Wai, Wigram, Volunteer Day**

Saturday 5 August, 2pm.

Local volunteers and groups are welcome to join the parks ranger team at this wetland reserve to add native plants to the revegetation area, and spread mulch. BYO tools if possible, light refreshments provided. To register, contact Urban Ranger Mandy Black: [amanda.black@ccc.govt.nz](mailto:amanda.black@ccc.govt.nz) To find out more and where to meet up, go to: <https://ccc.govt.nz/parks-and-gardens/getinvolvedinparks/volunteer/volunteer-events/nga-puna-wai-volunteer-day/>

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### **START Movie Fundraiser – Don't Tell** (NZIFF movie about sexual violence)

**Date:** Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> Aug 2017

**Venue:** Hoyts Northlands 3.45pm

**Cost:** \$20 Book tickets direct with START

Email: [maggy@starthealing.org](mailto:maggy@starthealing.org)

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### **Dementia Canterbury:**

We are really excited to be able to offer a private showing of the new documentary **To Stay Alive A Method**, featuring Iggy Pop. The film explores struggling artists, and the link between those living with mental health issues. Private screening at Hoyts Northlands

Thursday 10 August 2017 5pm start, movie at 6pm  
Ticket price includes drinks and nibbles

Buy your tickets through the following link, or at Dementia Canterbury office, 314 Worcester Street.  
<https://www.dementiacanterbury.org.nz/event-registration-form-nziff-stay-alive-method>

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**WAVES grief education programme** for adults (18 years and older) who have been affected by the suicide of someone they know.

The group is facilitated by professional social workers and/or trained facilitators.

**When:** Runs for 8 weeks on Wed evenings (7- 9pm).

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**Cost** is a koha or donation. **The next course will start in mid-August 2017.** Contact Jamie at Supporting Families in Mental Illness for more information or to register your interest for the next course (03 595 2683 or 0800 87 66 82 or [waves.sfpb\[at\]xtra.co.nz](mailto:waves.sfpb[at]xtra.co.nz)).

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### **TPA: Housing Forum**

**When:** Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> August 2017

**Where:** Oxford Terrace Baptist Church lounge

**Time:** 12.30pm to 2pm

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### **The Disabled Persons Assembly Christchurch & Districts and the Deaf Society of Canterbury**

are pleased to announce we will be co-hosting the **General Election Forum** Members of Parliament and Party Candidates will be there to talk about disability issues before the General Election on 23rd Sept 2017.

- Poto Williams MP (Labour)
- Mojo Mathers MP (Green)
- David Seymour MP (Act)
- Nicky Wagner MP & Minister of Disability Issues (National)

**Date:** Saturday 19th August 2017

**Time:** 2.00pm – 4.00pm

**Venue:** Deaf Society of Canterbury, 80 Fitzgerald Avenue Christchurch Afternoon Tea & NZSL Interpreters will be provided.

**RSVP** by 4pm Mon 14th August

E-mail: [dpachch@cyberxpress.co.nz](mailto:dpachch@cyberxpress.co.nz), Text only: 022-155-6696 Phone: 379-8525, Fax: 366-8535

**It would be much appreciated if you could let us know how many will be attending and if you are a wheelchair user.** More information or to RSVP email Karim Baradi (DPA Co-ordinator) at [dpachch@cyberxpress.co.nz](mailto:dpachch@cyberxpress.co.nz) or Jane Haigh (DSC)

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**Weekly Psychodrama Group at the Women's Centre** Unit 3 242 Ferry Rd Waltham. Facilitated by Ali Watersong. No acting experience is required.

**When:** Thursdays

10th Aug -14th Sept (enrol by 3<sup>rd</sup> August)

**Time:** 10.00am - 12.30pm

Phone 371 7414 email: [admin@womenscentre.co.nz](mailto:admin@womenscentre.co.nz)

**Cost:** \$55 waged, \$35 low/unwaged

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### **Parenting Week 21st - 31st August 2017**

Parenting is probably one of the hardest and yet most rewarding jobs on the planet. Each child is different and none seems to come with an instruction manual!

Luckily there are things that families, parents and kids have in common and ways we can parent to build great families and great kids.

We have a fabulous line up of speakers, seminars and workshops for 2017. Follow us on Facebook for a heads up on what's on.

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[Parenting Week Calendar \(PDF download\)](#)

Tickets available now through Dash Tickets

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### Women's Centre courses: Term 3

**I Like Me: Building Healthy Self-esteem & Confidence.** Facilitator: Ali Watersong

Discover your full potential and develop confidence in your ability to fulfil goals of employment, life and interpersonal relationships. Some group work, discussion, experiential learning and individual exercises.

**Tuesdays** 22<sup>nd</sup> August – 12<sup>th</sup> September (4 sessions)

**Time:** 10am – noon

**Cost:** \$35 waged \$20 unwaged/low waged

### Living Life with Freedom and Vitality

Facilitated by Ali Watersong

**Thurs** 10<sup>th</sup> Aug -14 Sept (6 sessions)

**Time:** 10am – noon

**Cost:** \$55 waged, \$35 low/unwaged. Enrol by 3 Aug

For more courses see the Women's Centre website:

[www.womenscentre.co.nz](http://www.womenscentre.co.nz)

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**Framework for Autism NZ (FANZ)** Two day introductory programme about autism that enables anyone involved with a person with autism to create a framework for understanding and supporting them.

**When:** 22-23 August

**Time:** 9.30am -3.30pm (both days)

**Where:** Christchurch Community House 301 Tuam St

**Cost:** \$50 To register: email [training@autismnz.org.nz](mailto:training@autismnz.org.nz)

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### Understanding Autism Spectrum Disorders

**Seminar with Dr Tony Attwood**, clinical psychologist, well known throughout the world for sharing his knowledge on autism spectrum disorders.

**Tues 22 Aug 2017** James Cook Hotel, Wellington

**Thurs 24 Aug 2017** Holiday Inn, Auckland Airport

**Cost:** \$230 full registration fee after 31 July 2017

\$210 discounted reg fee before 31 July 2017

This course is ideal for teachers, teacher aides, support staff, educators, carers, parents and any other professionals working with people on the autism spectrum. Content covers all ages and stage. Register at: [http://creatingsuccess.co.nz/index.php?pr=Dr\\_Tony\\_Attwood\\_Registration](http://creatingsuccess.co.nz/index.php?pr=Dr_Tony_Attwood_Registration)

### CWEA Cnty Workers Educational Association Programmes Term 3:

Come and meet Philip Bagshaw, Chair of the Canterbury Charity Hospital Trust

**When:** Friday 25<sup>th</sup> August 11-12.30pm

**Where:** WEA 59 Gloucester Street Christchurch

**Cost:** a donation of Koha would be greatly appreciated

More info: [cwea.org.nz](http://cwea.org.nz) or email [admin@cwea.org.nz](mailto:admin@cwea.org.nz)

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**Whānau mai** is a journey through pregnancy, childbirth and the early weeks of parenting that incorporates a Maori world view and traditional Maori birthing practices. This programme will run one weekend each month in two different locations.

**Dates for the next sessions:** (9am – 4pm each day)

**Te Puawaitanga, 153 Gilberthorpes Road, Hornby**

August 26 & 27

October 21 & 22

December 16 & 17

**He Waka Tapu, 161 Pages Road, Aranui**

September 23 & 24

November 25 & 26

January (2018) 27 & 28

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### Love Food, Hate Waste - Masterclasses

**When:** Tues 12 September, 6.30pm - 8.30pm, Havard Community Lounge, 31 Corsair Drive, Wigram  
**or** Wed 13 September, 10am - 12 noon, Te Hapua Halswell Centre, 341 Halswell Rd.

Learn how to reduce food waste and save money with Kate Meads.

Plus \$100 worth of goodies from CCC. Price from \$15. For more information and to book tickets:

[www.wastefreeparenting.co.nz](http://www.wastefreeparenting.co.nz)

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**Flourish Inc** A new "Happy Planet Happy People" social enterprise with an outlet at Shop 6 Carnaby Lane, 78 Brighton Mall. To find out more, do the survey that will help their pilot work, and subscribe to the newsletter: <http://www.flourish.org.nz/home.htm>

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### Keep New Zealand Beautiful Awards 2017

17 awards across 5 categories including some for community and suburb nominations for environmental excellence. Entries **close 1 September**. To enter or info: <http://www.knzb.org.nz/beautifulawards2017>

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## RESOURCES FOR YOUR ORGANISATION OR GROUP

### Volunteering Canterbury: Got a one-off project which needs doing?

Don't forget Volunteering Canterbury has groups available to undertake projects for your organisation. The BNZ is again going to be 'closed for good' for one day this year. Follow this link for more information if you

have a project you want BNZ to consider helping your organisation with: <http://www.scoop.co.nz/stories/BU1706/S00360/bnz-closed-for-good-project-submissions-open.htm>

**Volunteer Social Hour:** Tuesday 1 August, 9am to 10am, Purple Weka Café (Fitzgerald Avenue, between St Asaph and Leeds Streets).

**Volunteer Co-ordinators' Meeting:** Our next meeting Thursday 17 August 1-2pm at St Albans Community Centre. The topic is: [Inclusivity: Supporting Volunteers from Diverse Cultures](#). We will be joined by Thi Phan, Hagley Community College Refugee Centre.

**Social Media Workshop:** Wednesday 23 August, 9.30am-12 noon St Albans Community Centre, 1047 Colombo Street (parking and entry via Caledonian Road). Facilitator: Heather Milne, previously Takahe Design and Marketing. [Register](#) here.

**Rob Jackson**, a leading British advocate for volunteering and volunteerism, will be in Christchurch for a day of workshops on Friday 24 November 2017. Mark it in your diary. More details soon.

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**Help Tank** is a digital marketplace connecting skilled professionals able to donate their time and skills pro-bono, and not for profit organisations that can benefit from their expertise right now.

The *Who Did You Help Today Trust* developed Help Tank following research showing that community groups can struggle to find and engage the skills they need. Meanwhile individuals with specific skills also report it challenging to find a volunteer role that suits them. Head to <https://helptank.nz/> to see how **Help Tank** can support you and your organisation.

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### Neighbourhood Week 2017

Applications will be opening soon for "Summer with your Neighbours" where you can apply to your local community board for a small subsidy to hold a get-together with your neighbours. The timeframe for holding your get-togethers for "Neighbourhood Week" has been extended from 27 October 2017-31 March 2018. Applications open Monday 24 July & close Fri 1 Sept

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### Community Law Manual 2017/18

Standard price \$150 + GST per copy, bulk rates offered to community organisations. Comprehensive an-

swers to common questions about community and personal life. To find out more: [Community Law Manual 2017/2018](#)

### Christchurch Community House Trust has office space available:

Christchurch Community House Trust is looking for a new tenant for Office 8. Community House is a great place to work, with a supportive collegial atmosphere and lots of shared resources. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact House Manager, Mike Asmussen: Ph 03 940 9402 (work) Mobile 027 635 1611 Email [manager@cch.org.nz](mailto:manager@cch.org.nz) website: [www.cch.org.nz](http://www.cch.org.nz)

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### New recordings from Community Research

For organisations wanting to 'design strategic, measurable organisational outcomes', Community Research brings this sixty-minute tutorial with Dr Jess Dart, and a Kaupapa Maori example from Crystal Pekepo.

<http://www.communityresearch.org.nz/organisational-outcomes-meaningful-measures/>

For 'Client Level Data, the policy context, and the practical implications for your organisation', watch this sixty-minute presentation from Brenda Pilott(SSPA), Trevor McGlinchey(NZCCSS) and Garth Nowland-Freeman(LeAD). <http://www.communityresearch.org.nz/webinar-community-sector-collection-client-level-data/>

Community Research Webinars. Book Now! 'Great Data Collection with RBA™' 11.00am, Tuesday 15th August.

Sharon Shea shows how to use RBA™ to make sense of your data. <https://www.eventbrite.co.nz/e/rbatm-webinar-no3-great-data-collection-and-making-sense-of-your-data-registration-32995204545>

New research:

Kairangahau Alex Barnes explores how Pākehā have become involved in Māori-determined and controlled educational research."

<http://www.communityresearch.org.nz/research/what-can-pakeha-learn-from-engaging-in-kaupapa-maori-research/>

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## FORUMS / EVENTS / TRAINING / DEVELOPMENT

### Open Polytechnic new Certificates in Health & Wellbeing

A pathway for students wishing to study innovative new qualifications in social health and wellbeing is now on offer through Open Polytechnic, New Zealand's leading online and distance education provider.

Enrolments are open for Open Polytechnic's new fee-free New Zealand Certificate in Health and Wellbeing (Level 3) (Support Work).and Open Polytechnic's New Zealand Certificate in Health and Wellbeing (Level 4) (Social and Community Services) Two strands are offered in Certificate level 4:, the Community Facilitation

strand, and the Mental Health and Addiction strand.  
For more information visit <http://bit.ly/2rPvKNU>

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**Healthy Christchurch** lunchtime seminar starts for the second half of 2017 with Sport Canterbury. Jill Borland (Manager) and team speak about the Healthy Families programme.

**When:** Wed 2<sup>nd</sup> August 2017

**Time:** 12.15pm – 1.15pm

**Where:** Community & Public Health 310 Manchester Street Christchurch [Register here](#)

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## Christchurch Community Accounting

Financial Control Workshop

**Thursday 10 August, 10am - 12 noon,**  
Deaf Society, 80 Fitzgerald Ave. Cost \$20.

Look at the key danger areas to protect your money and assets, and how to manage the risks according to the size and nature of your organisation. To register for this workshop and view others: <http://commaccounting.co.nz/training/2017-workshop-programme/#reg>

**Financial Accountability for Boards and Management Committee** Available on demand and at your meeting place and time. To read more & register: <http://commaccounting.co.nz/training/board-workshops/>

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## MHERC and CDHB: Free Suicide Prevention Education Programme

**Venue:** MHERC 116 Marshland Road, Christchurch Summer School: Facilitator Annette Beautrais  
The programme will run again 22 - 26 January 2018  
Enquiries Lee Henderson [education@mherc.org.nz](mailto:education@mherc.org.nz)  
0800 424 399 or 021 258 4363 register at [www.mherc.org.nz](http://www.mherc.org.nz) This programme is free of charge. Cancellation fee may apply.

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## Community Law Canterbury: Winter Legal Series 2017

**Venue:** 198 Montreal Street Christchurch  
**Time:** 5pm – 6.30pm (for community workers)  
**9 August** – Access to legal help: finding free information online Contact: [penny@canlaw.org.nz](mailto:penny@canlaw.org.nz)

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## The Person of the Helping Professional: Mid-Winter Retreat

Facilitated by Craig Whisker

A retreat for professionals who work with individuals, couples, families, whanau or groups, & who want to explore & reflect on themselves, their personal relationships, their relationship with clients, & their role in society, using collaborative methods in a facilitated group of colleagues.

**Venue:** Tauhara Retreat Centre, Acacia Bay, Taupo (see <http://www.tauharacentre.org.nz/>)

**Dates:** Mon 24 July 2017 2pm- 28 July 2017 12pm  
**Cost:** \$895 incl. GST (incl. home-cooked meals,

shared accommodation, bedding & towels)

**Options:** Add \$20 for vegan or gluten-free meals

[Register here](#) or use this link

<https://goo.gl/forms/hirygczw5zqjj02>

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**Get Set Go Workshop dates** Learn how to bring your brilliant ideas for community programmes and events to life with the easy to use Get Set Go resource and planning sheets:

Fri 4th August & Friday 27th October 2017

9.45am to 2.30pm

Fendalton Library/Service Centre Board room, corner Jeffreys & Clyde Rd Christchurch

To Register: click on the link and complete your details: <https://ccc.govt.nz/culture-and-community/events-and-festivals/running-an-event/courses-for-event-organisers>

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## The Active Living and Environment Symposium

Registration is now open to attend this international symposium in Dunedin (28th to 30th August 2017). Learn from and exchange ideas with a range of international and New Zealand speakers and participants across the fields of health, transport, environment and sustainability.

[Get more information on the Active Living and Environment Symposium](#), including how to register

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## Social Service Providers Aotearoa Annual

**Conference:** 4-5 September Te Papa, Wellington.

“Beyond Boundaries – Collaboration in Action”:

For more information:

<https://www.sspa.org.nz/events/sspa-conference-2017>

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## Men Building Relationships

Facilitator: Marcus van Weerden, Registered Counselor. This is a group for men wishing to build better relationships with the most important people in their lives.

**When:** Eight Tuesdays from 5<sup>th</sup> Sept -24<sup>th</sup> Oct 2017

**Time:** 6.30pm – 9pm (arrive by 6.15 for 6.30 start)

**Venue:** Forfar Courts, 95 Forfar St St Albans ChCh

**Cost:** \$80 unwaged \$160 waged. To register please Ph Marcel 0274774439 or email [marcel50@xtra.co.nz](mailto:marcel50@xtra.co.nz)

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## Canterbury Tech Summit 2017 14 Sept 2017.

It's back! The Canterbury Tech Summit is the South Island's largest annual tech conference that brings together leaders in innovation, technology and business to share ideas, grow their networks and be inspired.

View speaker lineup [HERE](#) or go to

<http://www.techsummit.nz/speakers> Register [HERE](#) or

go to: <http://www.techsummit.nz/#register>

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## Working with Parents' Anger - 2 day workshop

Christchurch - 14 & 15 Sept 2017

This two day workshop is for people working with parents, caregivers & families, where anger and distress is impacting on children.

Day 1: Concepts & Skills  
Day 2: Application of learning Fee \$240 + GST.  
Register at: [Selina.reid@gmail.com](mailto:Selina.reid@gmail.com)

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### Just Action Conference- social justice issues

Just Action is a leading social justice conference organised by The Salvation Army Social Policy and Parliamentary Unit. The 2017 conference will be focused on confronting some of the biggest social issues facing us today in Aotearoa New Zealand.

**Dates:** Fri 15th and Sat 16th September 2017

**Location:** Salvation Army Auckland (18 Allright Place, Mount Wellington, Auckland) **Cost:** \$150 per ticket.

[Find out more about the 2017 Just Action Conference](#) & how to register.

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### Cashmere Presbyterian Church Annual

**Seminar** 22-24 September, 2 McMillan Avenue.

The focus will be on youth wellbeing, encouraging resilience, and preventing suicide. Feedback from across Christchurch is welcome, including suggestions about who to involve and offers to participate.

Discuss with others, and email Rev. Silvia Purdie: [purdies12345@gmail.com](mailto:purdies12345@gmail.com)

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### Social Enterprise World Forum (SEWF 2017)

27 - 29 September 2017, Christchurch

This is an international event for social enterprises from all over the world to come together, share wisdom, build networks and discuss how to create a more sustainable future. The event attracts social entrepreneurs, policy makers, community leaders, investors, academics and more. For further info please visit:

<http://www.sewf2017.org>

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### SEWF 2017 Maori Bursary Fund

Thanks to support from 'He Kai Kei Aku Ringa' Māori Entrepreneur Fund, this new bursary fund will support around 30 Māori social entrepreneurs and practitioners in Aotearoa (NZ) to attend & participate in SEWF 2017 Applications opened Mon July 10th. Apply [HERE](#)

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### Public Health Association NZ Conference:

Ōtautahi Christchurch 2 - 4 Oct 2017

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Theme: Valuing Connections, Connecting Values/ Ō Tātou Kaha / Ō Tātou Pae Ora

#### Streams:

- Connections with place & environments/Toitū te whenua
- Connections with people & communities/Toitū te tāngata
- Connections for knowledge/Toitū te māramatanga
- Connections for wellbeing /Toitū te ora

More information <http://www.pha.org.nz/conference>

Registrations open now. Early bird prices (GST incl):

#### Members:

- \$585 - standard price is \$640
  - Non-Members: \$640 - standard price is \$730
  - Student or Unwaged: \$300
  - Daily Pass for Members: \$320
  - Daily Pass for Non-Members: \$380
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### Empowerment & Success: A Positive Path for the NGO Sector

Following on from our successful collaboration in 2014, Community Networks Aotearoa (CNA) and the NZ Council of Christian Social Services (NZCCSS) are together again for our joint conference in October 2017.

The conference, entitled **Empowerment & Success: A Positive Path for the NGO Sector**, will take place **26<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup> of October in Auckland.**

This two-day event will have something to offer not only our member organisations and their networks but all involved sector-wide. So, save the date and watch this space as more detailed information becomes available! [www.communitynetworksaotearoa.org.nz](http://www.communitynetworksaotearoa.org.nz)

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### ACTION 2017! National Conference

30 – 31 October Rydges Hotel, 75 Featherston Street, Wellington.

The Action Conference will showcase the outcomes being achieved by employment, participation and inclusion services in Aotearoa. [Programme outline here](#) or go to: <http://www.inclusive.nz/wp-content/uploads/2017/07/programme-outline.pdf>

**REGISTER NOW FOR THE EARLY BIRD RATE!** By visiting our [Registration Page](#). Early-bird rate will be available until 15 September. Discounted accommodation at the conference venue [Rydges Hotel Wellington 75 Featherston St, Wellington.(04) 499 8686] is available but be quick! Quote ref: **H-INC0617**

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## FUNDING

### Rātā Foundation

**Small Grants / Nga Putea Iti and Large Grants / Nga Putea Nui** are now **open any time**. Please check the FAQ section online at: <http://www.ratafoundation.org.nz/funding> for new information even if you have applied before. Only one application per year may be

made. For further information go to the website or call one of the team on 0508 266 878.

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### Vodafone Innovation Fund

For innovative work towards better outcomes for the most disadvantaged and excluded youth.

Three levels: seed, pilot, and scale funding.  
Three grant rounds per year: February, June, October.  
Applications close **5pm, Friday 14 July**.  
For more information and to apply: <http://foundation.vodafone.co.nz/innovation-fund>

**Methodist Mission with support from Red Cross** has small grant moneys available (max \$300, \$500 and \$1000) for community based events promoting social connectedness. Funding covers Selwyn, Christchurch, Waimakariri, Hurunui & Kaikoura districts. See <https://www.facebook.com/pg/communityconnectionsgrants> for updates.

To apply, email [tineke@mmsi.org.nz](mailto:tineke@mmsi.org.nz) with details of:

1. What you are proposing to do
2. Who you intend to invite
3. What will be the outcome of this initiative / event
4. Preferred date (if you could give two options, as that would help us putting the calendar together)
5. Who you will collaborate with in local neighbourhood
6. How your event will build social connectedness
7. Your budget

Email proposals in by the following dates:

Events Oct 2017 – Jan 2018: Proposal due 1 Sept 2017  
Events Feb – May 2018: Proposal due 1 Jan 2018

#### ACE Funding:

Hagley Adult Literacy Centre (HALC) has funds to support community groups through the ACE programme. For more information, please contact

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**Trustees Executors** is proud to administer six funds, including [The Kingston Sedgfield \(NZ\) Charitable Trust](#) for the education and rehabilitation of young people. Prefers Otago area but will consider other. Applications are open year round and are considered at the end of each month. All information, guidelines and application forms at [www.trustees.co.nz](http://www.trustees.co.nz)

#### Lottery Grants

**Community Facilities** Opens 5 July 2017 Closes 30 August 2017.

**Community Sector Research** Opens 1 Nov 2017, closes 13 Dec 2017.

**Environment and Heritage** Opens 14 June 2017, closes 9 Aug 2017.

**Health Research** Opens 21 June 2017, closes 2 Aug 2017. More info from <http://www.communitymatters.govt.nz/Funding-and-grants---Lottery-grants>

**Rotary Neighbourhood** Applicants to the fund can apply for up to \$500 for small neighbourhood events and up to \$4,000 for larger community events. [www.rotaryneighbourhood.org.nz](http://www.rotaryneighbourhood.org.nz)

We make the future sustainable when we invest in the poor,  
not when we insist on their suffering.

**Bill Gates**

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