

SEWN NEWS

Poutu-te-Rangi / March 2017



Welcome to the March / Poutu-te-Rangi 2017 Social Equity & Wellbeing Network (SEWN) newsletter.

SEWN HQ

SEWN is currently calling out for the yearly membership renewal fee! If you have yet to pay or not received your renewal form please contact us:

admin@sewn.org.nz

Kia ora koutou,

Our thoughts are with all who were directly affected by the recent fires on the edge of our city – in particular the family of helicopter pilot Steve Askin, and also all who have lost their homes or had their lives disrupted yet again.

Once more we see the magnificent strength and heart of our communities as they have rallied around to support our fellow citizens. But how much more can we take?

It's not hard to find stories and statistics about the greatly increased demand for mental health services in Canterbury. From now until the election SEWN will be highlighting concerns in our sector that we'd like to see the candidates addressing. The mental health of Cantabrians must surely be at the top of the list.

Inside March

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Clare in the Community



With thanks to the Guardian and Harry Venning

Newsletter for and by the Community Sector in Waitaha (Canterbury) Email items for SEWN's April newsletter to newsletter@SEWN.org.nz by Friday 24th March, 2017.

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Stitching Together - more news from SEWN HQ:

Individual Client Level Data

Like many of our members, SEWN is very concerned at the new requirement on agencies that contract to MSD to provide it with identifying data about their clients. The SEWN Board says that it "strongly stands against the move by the Ministry of Social Development to oblige contracting NGO's to provide the personal information of clients and their dependants."

SEWN affiliates to Community Networks Aotearoa, which takes the voices of its regional and local network members to policymakers in Wellington. Here's their message about work that they are part of:

Here at Community Networks Aotearoa we are aware that many of you are very concerned about the Individual Client Level Data clause being added by MSD to many contracts. We understand what your concerns are, and we share them. We want to let you all know what is happening here in Wellington.

A group of national organisations and head offices are working together to see if we are able to find a path forward with MSD. We understand their need for good data and the current Minister and Prime Minister's directive to enable that data to be collected. We are offering to work together with the MSD staff, to find something that provides MSD with the data they need on service performance and results without affecting our trusting contract with our clients. To date this offer has not been responded to. We hope that everyone has sent in responses to the Privacy Commissioner's investigation, and we will try to keep you up to date with the work happening here in Wellington, when and if we are able to share that. Please know that we have heard your concerns, and that on-going work is happening on this issue.

SEWN Website

Carmel has been doing amazing things with our website, www.sewn.org.nz. Do check it out and let us know what you think. What works, what else would you find useful? It's a work in progress and it's your resource!

HOT TOPIC

Nonprofit Sector Priorities for Election 2017

Yes, the PM has named the day. 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.

From now until the election, SEWN will be featuring the views of non-profit organisations about topics they would like to see on the election agenda. We would also love to hear from you about what your organisation sees as top priorities to get in front of candidates and political parties (sharon@sewn.org.nz or ph 366 2050). The more voices we have, the more chance we have to get our goals addressed.

We're getting started with the challenges identified by the **Salvation Army** in its recently-released State of the Nation report, *Off the Track*, as discussed in this media release from the Salvation Army:

Off the Track

New Zealand has gone off track in key social areas and needs government to urgently address failing social policies, The Salvation Army says.

Its latest State of Nation report shows efforts to provide adequate housing, reduce child poverty and stop re-offending have gone off track and need effective policy approaches and action to address these issues.

The Salvation Army's tenth annual State of the Nation report highlights some areas of social wellbeing where little or no progress is being made. These include:

- An alarming lack of safe affordable housing, resulting in a level of homelessness not seen in New Zealand in the lifetime of most Kiwis
- A seemingly entrenched rate of child poverty
- Burgeoning incarceration rates of prisoners and the related high recidivism rates.

'In the past year Auckland experienced a 12-year high in new housing consents, but during the same time across the country the housing shortage got worse and housing became more unaffordable for people,' says Lt. Colonel Ian Hutson, Social Policy Director. 'This can't continue. Housing policy needs to provide a sufficient supply of affordable houses.'

Over the past five years various reports, warnings and commentary by child protection experts have outlined the disturbing realities of child poverty in New Zealand. Despite this information and Government promises of action the present rate of child poverty has not changed, says report author Alan Johnson.

'Entrenched child poverty has become the new norm. Politicians must stop just voicing sympathetic rhetoric and actually take real action to reduce child poverty numbers.'

The report also identifies that despite spending \$850 million dollars annually on running prisons and a plan to spend one billion dollars on new prisons, recidivism worsened in the past year.

'We are spending big on prisons, but failing to ensure that when people come out of prison they have work and a place to live, the two essentials in ensuring people don't reoffend,' Alan Johnson says.

The report does show that strong policies and leadership have had a positive impact on enrolments in Early Childhood Education, especially among our poorest communities.

Similarly, it acknowledges Government policy direction is having a positive impact in creating rising employment and growing GDP, plus reductions in youth offending and teenage pregnancies.

Hard questions remain though. 'In an election year, it is timely to challenge all who would aspire to govern—and, in fact, all New Zealanders — to think deeply about the social progress we want to achieve for ourselves and our children,' says Ian Hutson.

The full report is available on www.salvationarmy.org.nz/Off theTrack

Issued on the Authority of Commissioner Andrew Westrupp (Territorial Commander) The Salvation Army, New Zealand Fiji & Tonga Territory



Summary of issues raised. (We'll add to this every month.)

- **Housing**: lack of safe, affordable housing; homelessness. Salvation Army
- Poverty: entrenched child poverty. Salvation Army
- Justice: increasing prison incarceration rates, high recidivism rates. Salvation Army

The Prison Gate: A Revolving Door or a Second Chance?

Salvation Army 7 Dec 2016

A new Salvation Army report says changes must be made to how prisoners re-enter society for New Zealanders to feel safe and secure in their homes and communities. The latest report by The Salvation Army's Social Policy and Parliamentary Unit *Beyond the Prison Gate: Reoffending and Reintegration in Aotearoa New Zealand*, argues the system is failing prisoners and the public.

"The prison gate has for too long been a revolving door rather than a transition into a second chance at life. Instead of being effectively rehabilitated and reintegrated into society, many prisoners on release become 'repeat customers'," says report author Annaliese Johnston. The cost of prisons is spiralling out of control and doing nothing to reduce reoffending, while refocusing efforts on effective alternatives and reintegration would save the country millions, reduce crime and make the country safer, she says.

The report also looks at the experiences of past inmates for a first-hand look at how the system impacts those who have been released and how things might be improved. Despite crime rates falling overall, the prison population has tripled since 1985 and is likely to reach a record 10,000 people next year. Corrections is also unlikely to meet its composite target of reducing reoffending by 25 per cent by 2017. Post-prison reoffending rates have barely changed in the past 10 years. Instead the report recommends reducing spending on custodial prison sentences and moving investment to programmes that will reduce crime and support reintegration for the around 15,000 people released from prison in New Zealand each year. Recommendations include better access to accommodation and health services, private-public partnerships to provide employment, and mentors.

'If we are not sufficiently supporting people to reintegrate then they are much more likely to re-offend. That is not good for anyone, and so far our current approach is failing to make meaningful progress. We know that there are alternative approaches, such as the justice re-investment model, that improve community safety and make better use of public money' Johnston says. 'As one of our research participants put it, "instead of the Government spending over 90 grand to keep us in prison every year, why don't they invest it on keeping us out?"'

The report was launched on 7 December at St Andrew's on the Terrace in Wellington.

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Giving Together has Exponential Effects on Communities

(Abridged) Courtesy Huffington Post article 2 Feb 2017

Philanthropy used to imply a flashy name and a big cheque. Today philanthropy involves many cheques and many donors committed to working together to change lives and communities. Collective giving or *giving circles*, as they are known, have been quietly at work for decades. Now, they are front and centre in the world of philanthropy as a movement that continues to gain in popularity, strength and results.

Collective giving is a form of grant-making that involves learning, decision making and community building together – activities that particularly appeal to women donors. Participants who are part of a collective giving grant-making organization, or giving circle, aren't as likely to simply give a cheque and move on. They are engaged for the longer term. They want to learn about the needs of their community, read letters of inquiry from non-profits, go on site visits, do due diligence on prospective grantees and ultimately vote democratically on which non-profits receive grants. Moreover, they tend to not only stay involved in their organisation, but often become donors, volunteers or board members of an organisation that they encountered through the vetting process.

New research shows that these collective giving networks are growing both in dollars and number of donors and this growth is changing the landscape of giving. Research from 2009 found about 600 giving circles in the United States. But recent research by Angela M. Eikenberry, Professor of Public Administration at the University of Nebraska Omaha, and colleagues, found a dramatic increase in this form of philanthropy. Today there are at least 1,314 giving circles with more than 46,000 members who have collectively contributed more than \$474 million over the past 30 plus years. The study, The Impact of Giving

Together.

(https://www.givingforum.org/sites/default/files/resources/The%20Impact%20of%20Giving%20Together.PDF) shows that participation in giving circles deepens engagement and ultimately expands individual and household giving, providing a basis for future philanthropy.

Giving circles usually operate individually within their own communities. More recently, however, likeminded groups have organized broader collective giving networks to amplify their voices, share ideas, and learn from each other. For example, Darryl Lester founded the <u>Community Investment Network</u> in 2006 to encourage African Americans and communities of colour to work collectively to create the changes they wished to see. Today, with more than 250 members in the network, CIN affiliates have awarded \$250,000 in grants and contributed more than 14,000 volunteer hours in their communities.

Impact 100 is one example of a giving circle. Started in 2001 in Cincinnati, OH, there are now more than 30 Impact 100 groups operating in the United States, 6 in Australia, and 14 in development. The Impact 100 Pensacola Bay Area organisation has invested more than \$7 million in non-profits in the area since 2004 including more than \$1 million in 2016 alone, much of which came from new donors.

The world needs more philanthropy of all kinds to make the change we all want to see. Giving circles are evidence that local groups of thoughtful, committed citizens can indeed change the world. As Margaret Mead said, "It's the only thing that ever has."

See the full article at http://www.huffingtonpost.com/entry/giving-together-has-exponential-effects-on-communities_us_5893b53de4b04061313608a5?section=us_impact

Child sponsorship dwindling

(Abridged version) Source: scoop.co.nz 31 Jan 2017

A survey has found New Zealanders' donations to non-government organisations and charities has fallen 15 percent in the past 10 years. The report - by umbrella agency the Council for International Development - showed charities and NGOs operating in New Zealand took 56 percent of their \$182 million funding in 2015 from the public. Read the report at https://assets.documentcloud.org/documents/3438866/Reaching-Out-to-a-Wider-World-New-Zealand-s.pdf

However, financial support from the public dropped to \$102.4 million in 2015, from about \$120 million in 2005. While New Zealanders were more engaged in global disaster situations, sponsorships of children - which accounted for 40 percent of revenue for the measured organisations - had fallen for the fourth consecutive year.

CID director Josie Pagani said the fall in revenues was not because the public had lost faith in NGOs, but because people were becoming more likely to give money directly to causes, or through other methods like Givealittle. The organisations were developing new public funding strategies, Ms Pagani said.

"Rather than a message which says we'll take your dollar and 80 cents of that will get to the field and 20 cents will help us run our organisation - and that's still absolutely true, NGOs need an operating budget - but it's almost like they're looking at a model where they're saying, 'We'll invest it for you, we'll take your dollar and turn it into \$1.60".

The report also showed that more than two-thirds of the organisations that responded to the survey had a private sector partner, up from one-third the previous year. International NGOs were collaborating more, with 63 percent working with another NGO.

The report noted that the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade was turning its funding attention more specifically toward the Pacific region.

Strategy Celebrates Christchurch's Diversity

A new strategy has been adopted to embrace Christchurch's status as a diverse and multicultural city. The Christchurch Multicultural Strategy 2017-2021 "Our Future Together" was adopted by the Christchurch City Council at a meeting 9th February 2017. In June 2015 the Community Housing and Economic Development Committee resolved to establish a Multicultural Working Party to produce a strategy. The document will help the Council respond to the changing face of the city's population. It sets a number of goals and actions that will help all residents feel they belong and are welcome here.

Public consultation on the strategy opened in June last year and the final version was developed in partnership with mana whenua. Read the full article at https://ccc.govt.nz/the-council/newsline/show/1386.

New Pilot Programme for Social Housing Tenants underway

A new pilot programme is underway to help at-risk social housing tenants hold onto their tenancies, Social Housing Minister Amy Adams said today. Under the Sustaining Tenancies Initiative, tenants with complex or serious needs who may be at risk of losing their tenancy will receive practical support from community providers to help get back on track.

"We know that steady housing helps provide stability and security, however, some tenants face eviction from their home for anti-social behaviour or financial issues, only to end up in need for emergency housing. If we can avoid them being evicted by resolving their behaviour, this benefits the tenant, their family, and the taxpayer," Ms Adams says.

"We want to try new ways of supporting people who live in social housing with these issues. Through a social investment lens, the Sustaining Tenancies Initiative aims to address the underlying causes of eviction, leading to better outcomes."

When the initiative is fully up and running, eight community providers will work alongside around 1000 vulnerable social housing tenants, with funding of \$5 million over two years. From today, the first three providers in the initiative are underway. These are:

Affinity Services (Auckland) Downtown Community Ministry (Wellington) Comcare Trust (Christchurch).

"Many tenants would like to address the causes of their behaviour but don't know where to turn. Under this new initiative, practical support is available," Ms Adams says. "The kinds of practical support available will depend on what each tenant needs, but could include budgeting advice, help with relationship issues, healthy living plans, life skills coaching, and assistance to help tenants return to education, training or to find stable work."

This initiative is part of the \$9 million Better Housing Outcomes package, announced in July 2016, to improve the supply of housing for vulnerable people and to help people stabilise their tenancies.

Community In Mind - Shared Programme of Action

The Greater Christchurch Psychosocial Committee and Greater Christchurch Psychosocial Governance Group provide leadership and governance for psychosocial recovery and wellbeing work. The Psychosocial Committee began operating in September 2010 to carry out Civil Defence functions, co-chaired by the Ministry of Social Development and the Canterbury District Health Board.

After the instatement of CERA in early 2011, the Committee operated as a sub-committee of the CERA-led Community Wellbeing Planners Group. As a part of CERA's disestablishment, the sub-committee evolved into the Greater Christchurch Psychosocial Committee.

CERA worked with the Psychosocial Committee to develop the Community in Mind Strategy (released June 2014) and Shared Programme of Action (released May 2015). CDHB-CPH inherited responsibility for the Shared Programme of Action at the beginning of 2016.

The Psychosocial Committee uses the Shared Programme in conjunction with other forms of monitoring to plan, coordinate, promote and monitor the psychosocial recovery and wellbeing of the population of greater Christchurch. A comprehensive review of the Shared Programme was initiated during 2016 to ensure the work to maintain the Shared Programme was well-integrated at Community and Public Health, with a full sense of ownership from the Psychosocial Committee. See the updated Programme at:

http://www.cph.co.nz/wp content/uploads/CommunityInMindSharedProgrammeOfAction.pdf

AVIVA Loans Scheme

Aviva NILS provides access to safe, fair and affordable credit that, in conjunction with other support services, can support people to gain or regain financial control and independence. Two loan schemes are currently operating – No Interest Loan and (low interest) Step Up Loan.

Loan amounts available: up to\$1000 (no interest loan) or up to \$5000 (Step Up loan)

- 1. No Interest Loan:
 - Repayments over 1 year
 - Cannot be used for existing debt or ongoing costs like electricity
 - Loans have been used for furniture, car repairs, heat pumps, adult education, technology and more

NILS is maintained and developed by Good Shepherd Microfinance. Aviva NILS is supported in NZ by The Good Shepherd New Zealand Trust. Aviva NILS loan capital is provided by Kiwibank.

- 2. Step Up Loan:
 - Low interest, 6.99%
 - Three years to repay
 - Can be used for second hand car purchase, medical expenses, new appliances and more
 - For low income earners with Community Services card
 - No hidden charges

Step Up is a community initiative of BNZ Bank and Good Shepherd NZ, supported by NZ Government. For further info please contact AVIVA at the Loft on phone 0800 24842 669.

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

NON-PROFIT SECTOR NEWS & NOTICES

One Voice Te Reo Kotahi advocates for the value of third sector organisations (TSOs), promotes a Tiriti-based multicultural future, and creates communication conduits for third sector voices to be heard in the central, local and regional government earthquake regeneration phase.

Keep up to date with their initiatives and find out how you can participate at

http://onevoicetereokotahi.blogspot.co.nz/

Male Survivors of Sexual Abuse is turning 20 years old! They invite people to join them in an anniversary

celebration and share the stories of courageous men who have been part of the journey.

When Friday 24 March 4pm - 7pm

Venue Christchurch Bridge Club 21 Nova Place.

RSVP by 16 March to helengatonyi@gmail.com

TPA and Birthright would love your help... if you are going to compete in this year's City2Surf. Star Media is offering discounted registration for this year's City2Surf, so that you can donate to Birthright Canterbury and TPA. All you need to do is add **C2S_Birthright** or **C2S_TPA** at the final payment stage to get \$5 off! You can then donate this \$5 saved to one of charities' Givealittle pages:

- Birthright Christchurch or
- Tenants Protection Association (TPA).

Simply go to The City2Surf website and enter now. This offer is limited to 500 entries. These discount codes are only available for online entry, and must be used before Star Media sponsor the Playhouse Fri 17 Mar 2017 Challenge - and are generously offering this additional fundraising opportunity.

TPA and Birthright are still looking for 2 builders to participate in the Playhouse Challenge, if you would like to participate or know of someone who does, please email: projectsupport@tpa.org.nz

Police Vetting

The positive announcement by Government of explicit exemptions now being provided for the voluntary sector in the Policing (Cost Recovery) Amendment Bill, means that registered charities and agencies making 20 police vetting requests or fewer per year will be exempt from fees. The earlier proposal was for fees across the board to be the same, i.e. for profits and not-for-profit organisations. Thanks to our sector's national bodies and all others who lobbied for this.

RESOURCES FOR YOU, YOUR COMMUNITY OR YOUR CLIENTS

Linwood College Festival of Nations 2 & 3

March Celebrating Culture and Heritage, programme includes:

Parade of nations, ethnic food stalls, cultural workshops, dance and music. More information at http://www.linwoodcollege.school.nz/news/culturalfestival-coming-soon

Entry fee: \$5.00 per person.

Theme is St Patricks night, come wearing green if you

wish. Floor show.....Irish Dancers. RSVP by Tuesday 7th March 2017 for catering purpos-

Paula Thackwell Ph: 03 3138989 Email: nandpthackwell@slingshot.co.nz

LYFE Festival 2017

Saturday 4th March 11am-4pm, Linwood Park

LYFE (Linwood Youth Festival Experience) is a Linwood-focused event where youth pride, diversity and achievements are celebrated. There are lots of new performers, activities, community stalls, and good food. Best of all - it is a free event!

A call out to Youth focused community groups to register for LYFE - performers, activity, fundraising, information, education stalls. Find out more information at www.lyfe.co.nz

CWEA Canterbury Workers Educational Asso-

ciation Term 1 courses for 2017 are open for enrolment Click on the link below the course name to be taken to the CWEA website to enrol online. Don't delay as one course is full already!

171-19 Self Confidence By Authentic Transformation Starts 3 Mar, 10.00am- 12.00 pm, 6 weeks Fridays, \$51

Click here to enrol This course is designed to help change people's lives from the inside out. There are six core components designed to implement the theory into everyday life, which enriches and brings forth new changes. Sessions include, what is self-esteem, identity, gratitude, assertiveness and boundaries and what are our gifts.

Children's Day 5 March 2017

Children are our treasure! Children's Day is a chance for all of us to get together and celebrate the precious young people in our lives. Children's Day - Te Ra O Te Tamariki, provides New Zealanders with an opportunity to give time to children. Children's Day has been running since the early 2000's and is on the first Sunday of March each year. Hundreds of events happen all over the country each March, some big and some

Children's Day is about treasuring our children, including:

- Giving time
- Praising and encouraging
- Listening and talking
- Sharing Love and affection
- Exploring new experiences

171-09 The Lift Library sessions

Starts 8 Mar, 1.30-2.30 pm, 5 weeks Wednesdays, \$0 Click here to enrol The Lift Library is part of Project Lyttelton; these projects are very much about helping communities facilitate self-determination and change of communities from within that are important to them, for them and by them. A broad range of topics can be covered, including: Environment & Climate change, Money Alternatives, Community, how to improve community life, Health, Food & Gardens including farming, Economics, including politics, Local history, Indigenous groups and Children's books.

171-08 Lies, Damned Lies and Politics - Patrick Kearney Starts 14 Mar, 1.00- 2.30 pm, 5 weeks Tuesdays, \$32

Click here to enrol A course where we will critically analyse statistics in the media and some other important mathematical ideas, like population growth.

171-17 Changing Your Failure Patterns to Success Patterns, The Fundamentals of Increasing Self-**Efficacy** Sunday 19 March, 2.00 pm – 4.30 pm, \$13

Dance Social for people with disabilities, carers and friends, to be held at the Rangiora Baptist Church Friday 17th March 2017 at 7pm to 9:45pm.

Click here to enrol. At this workshop you will learn the fundamentals, the most important, research based strategies to help you break your 'failure pattern' and increase your self-efficacy.

Women's Centre Courses in 2017

Looking after YOU! Learning Mindfulness and Practicing Relaxation This is a group for women interested in developing mindfulness and relaxation skills

Day: Tuesday (5 sessions) Date: 14th Mar - 11th Apr

Time: 10.00 am - 12.00 pm

Maximum number: 8 participants Cost: Gold Coin

Parenting Children with Worries

This group is for women interested in developing their understanding of childhood anxiety Stream 1

Day: Thursday (5 sessions) Date: 2nd-30th March

Time: 7.00 pm - 8.30 pm

Maximum number: 8 participants Cost: Gold Coin

Day: Friday (5 sessions) Date: 3rd-31st March Time:

10.00 am - 11.30 am

Maximum number: 8 participants Cost: Gold Coin Do-

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Towanda! Dealing with Anxiety and Developing **Self-Confidence** This is a group session for women interested in developing their sense of self-confidence, along with strategies to manage low level anxiety. Day: Thursday (5 sessions) Date: 2nd Mar - 6th Apr Time: 1.00 pm - 2.30 pm

Dementia Canterbury FREE Community Education Seminars at their offices at 314 Worcester Street in Linwood. The morning seminars are designed for families and whanau supporting someone with demen-

Tips for Living Daily with Dementia

Come and learn some ideas to help support the dayto-day life of a person with dementia through activities.

Date: Tuesday 21 March 2017 Time: 10.30am to noon

A Focus on Brain Health

This will be an innovative session with Psychiatrist Dr Chris Collins on optimizing brain health and reducing your risk of developing dementia.

Date: Tuesday 28th March 2017

Time: 7.30 to 9pm

Register online to attend this Dementia Canterbury Community Education Seminar.

Bookings are essential as places are limited to 30 participants. Please contact Dementia Canterbury for more info (03) 379 2590, 0800 444 776 or email admin@dementiacanterbury.org.nz

Consumer Rights Day

The Consumer Protection team at MBIE is hosting a Consumer Rights Day in Christchurch on Tuesday 21 March 2017. This day is free to attend and involves speakers from organisations that deal with consumer complaints, such as with:

- a bank or finance company
- an insurance company
- a power (electricity and gas) company
- a telephone, internet or mobile telephone company
- · managing finances and debt.

WHY SHOULD I ATTEND?

- to get information to help you (or your clients, family, friends or work colleagues) on what consumers' rights are when services go wrong, along with who to contact
- to hear directly from people who deal with complaints, and with examples or case studies of complaints they have dealt with
- to speak to presenters / their staff if you, or someone you know, has a particular problem you would like to discuss
- to pick up any pamphlets, brochures or other material that speakers bring, or be shown information on their organisation's website.

Further information, including the venue and how to register will be sent out in February. In the meantime if you have any questions about this day please contact Douglas Pink, Advisor-Information and Education, Consumer Protection, Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment. Ph (04) 901 1601, email Douglas.Pink@mbie.govt.nz

Psychodrama Workshop with Ali Watersong and Craig Whisker.

The workshop uses the psychodrama method to promote and expand creativity and spontaneity in all aspects of life, including personal, global and spiritual issues. During the workshop you can expect to enhance or regenerate life by developing new responses in your relationship with yourself, your family, friends, workplace or community.

When: 24-26 March 2017. The workshop begins at 7.00 p.m. on Friday 24th March and concludes by 4.00 p.m. on Sunday 26th March.

Where: Castle Hill Outdoor Centre, It is approximately one and a half hours of travel by road from Christchurch on State Highway 73.

Cost: \$395 - \$495 incl. GST (includes workshop, accommodation and meals)

Enquiries to: Ali ph 03 328 7105 / 027 276 5992 email watersong@slingshot.co.nz. or contact Craig ph 021 213 9921 email: craigwhisker1161@gmail.com

CCS Disability Action Next Steps Transition Expo 2017

Riccarton High School Hall Friday 21 April 2017 11am – 7pm Discover possibilities for life after school from a range of providers:

- Tertiary study
- Vocational programmes
- Self-advocacy
- Community engagement
- Employment, Housing & More

Migrant support to attain a learner licence

Classes will be held each Wednesday 6.30-8.30pm at Hagley Community College (Room HL4) and Saturdays 4pm-6pm at Christchurch Community House, 301 Tuam Street. Run by Canterbury Business Association.Call Taz to inquire and book: 03 379 4222 or text on 027 273 8815.

Hei Whakapiki Mauri is a series of hui in Waitaha that will empower Māori with disabilities and their whānau through knowledge and networks. Through Hei Whakapiki Mauri, you and your whānau can explore what is important to you through whakapapa, tikanga and reo. You will learn and grow together through whanaungatanga, adding to your kete of knowledge.

A series of hui will be run over a year, with a focus on education and creating connections. Through these hui, you will:

- build your knowledge and confidence in te ao Māori
- discover what's important to you, what your aspirations are and map your journey
- learn to navigate the disability and funding systems
- build relationships with like-minded whānau.

There will be an initial whānau meeting to find out what you want to focus on. This will be followed by up to seven workshops before the end of the first term in

2017. A larger hui will be held during the April school holidays, 14-30 April 2017, to showcase what you have achieved.

All whānau members and support people are welcome to attend the workshops and hui.

For more info visit:

https://www.heiwhakapikimauri.co.nz/

Kicking Off 2017 with Speak Up Korerotia -

Radio Show on Plains FM 96.9, hosted by Sally Carlton, Human Rights Commission. Audio versions available on Sound Cloud include:

https://soundcloud.com/speakupkorerotia/organharvesting with David Kilgour, Robin Palmer and Jaya Mangalam Gibson

https://soundcloud.com/speakupkorerotia/access-to-bathrooms Researchers and activists Anne Nicholson, Olivia Clarke, Brian Poole and Lisel O'Dwyer discuss the importance of being able to access appropriate bathrooms, particularly for transgender people, workers on limited toilet breaks, and people with bowel conditions.

https://soundcloud.com/speakupkorerotia/youthengagement-in-elections Great discussion with the Christchurch Youth Council and Youth Voice Canterbury on poor voter turnout in NZ local elections versus high levels of youth engagement in the US Presidential elections.

Rewi Alley book reprint

2017 is the 120th anniversary of the birth of Rewi Alley whose 60 years of work for the Chinese community has made him one of the most revered foreigners in China. To commemorate, a book written by his niece Philipa Reynolds in 1997 will be updated and republished, available from 1 April. More information can be sought from the New Zealand China Friendship Society: www.nzchinasociety.org.nz

RESOURCES FOR YOUR ORGANISATION OR GROUP

Supervision Directory

Whether you're a volunteer or paid employee, working in service provision, community development or governance, supervision is good for your professional development!

To learn more about supervision or to find a suitable Supervisor go to the Supervision Directory at:

http://www.supervisioninfo.org.nz

For further information contact us admin@sewn.org.nz

Volunteering Canterbury Student Expo

Watch for details coming soon for our second Student Expo which is once again being supported by the Careers Department at the University of Canterbury. Current planning is for this to tie in with Student Volunteer Week (1-7 May 2017).

Community Mentoring Programme

This programme provides support over a twelve month period to not for profits, social enterprises, charitable trusts and incorporated societies to make sure you get the right information and support to empower your organisation.

Please register online www.communitymentors.org.nz Fee is \$225 plus gst

For further info contact the Canterbury Programme coordinator Ellen Pender phone 03 379 5575 ext 801

Office Space Available the Quaker Centre at 213 – 217 Ferry Rd has some upstairs office space that it would like to let to a non-profit organisation. The 60 sq. m space is in 3 rooms plus a kitchen and toilet. Please note there is no disability access. Rental is approx.. \$190 - \$200 per sq. m.

Meeting Rooms for hire: Two meeting rooms downstairs available for hire in the Quaker Centre. New kitchen and toilet facilities, with disabled access. Parking is available on site. Further details and to book: migseder@gmail.com For further details or to arrange a viewing, please contact Rosemary Tredgold, rvctredgold@gmail.com or phone 325 5770.

Car Boot Sales Quaker Centre 217 Ferry Rd Christchurch (corner Nursery Rd) 9.30 to 12.20pm Saturdays-weather permitting. \$15 per space or pay for 3 in advance \$40,. Contact ph 021 111 6223

Computers to give away: Free computers now available (ex Primary & Intermediate schools now merged with the Aranui Haeata Community Campus). If your organisation or group is looking for free computers please contact Ryan on 022 603 1949

The Mental Health Education and Resource Centre (MHERC) have a modern well-equipped meeting room available for hire to community organisations and businesses at 116 Marshland Road in Shirley. There is seating for up to 30 people around trestle tables, or 50 people in theatre-style seating. The room is also equipped with a data projector, printable whiteboards and webinar equipment. Tea and coffee making facilities are available in the room.

The MHERC premises are disability-friendly, and there is ample parking nearby. The room also has its own heat pump to control the temperature.

Contact MHERC for rates and availability on phone(03) 365 5344 or email: admin@mherc.org.nz) The meeting room is also available after hours for meetings and workshops.



FORUMS / EVENTS / TRAINING / DEVELOPMENT

Community Exercise Foundation Course

Active Canterbury is seeking expressions of interest from community organisations and people in the community who are interested in attending a foundation exercise course in April-May 2017. Two Saturday workshops of 6 hours, cost \$50. To read more go to:

https://gallery.mailchimp.com/77fab764104b664aa2707d

https://gallery.mailchimp.com/77fab764104b664aa2707d 4ec/files/Community_Exercise_Foundation_Course_Expr ession_of_Interest.pdf Suicide First Aid Course 11 & 12 March 2017 Some free seats available and offering one per organisation, the rest cost \$380. Questions and registration queries to Karen Crawley karen@lifeline.org.nz ph 366 6742 or 0297706372. To register on line: http://bit.ly/2kTDM5V

Generosity NZ Workshop

A chance to learn about the GNZ funding search engines. There are 2 sessions on 13 March in the Community Board room, Beckenham Service Centre, 66 Colombo St: 2pm and 6pm, each running for 2 hours. Queries to Kathryn.hartley@ccc.govt.nz

Free Training Seminars for Not For Profits

Workshops are free to registered not for profits only. If you are from a non-charitable incorporated society, school board of trustees or other community group we can accept your registration for a koha, if spaces are available. We can only accept one person per organisation to enable us to provide free training to as many groups as possible:

Media Releases that Get Noticed This is a skills-based, hands-on workshop with the opportunity to practice the skills you will learn. It is especially tailored for charities, non-profit and community organisations.

Venue advised upon confirmation of registration When: Wednesday 15 March 9.30 am – 12.30 pm Who: Presented by Garth Nowland-Foreman Register:

http://www.oneonone.co.nz/nfp_solutions/nfp_solutions_booking_form

Managing Stress and Practising Self-Care for Wellbeing

Understanding Stress, Managing Stress, De-escalation Skills, Well-Being, Moving Forward

Venue advised upon confirmation of registration

When: Thursday 6 April 9.30 am – 12.30 pm

Who: Presented by Workplace Support

Register:

http://www.oneonone.co.nz/nfp_solutions/nfp_solutions_booking_form

Bookings are essential

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All RSVP to outreach@volcan.org.nz

2 Day DBT (Dialectical Behaviour Therapy) Workshop 16th & 17th March 2017

Nelson Yacht Club 322 Wakefield Quay Nelson 7010

"Treating Emptiness, Anhedonia, Relationship Chaos and Other Sticky Problems" with Professor Alan Fruzzetti (currently Director of both the Training in Family Services and the Boys DBT Programs within Harvard Medical School's McLean Hospital)

In addition to his work with suicidal and self-harming adults and teens, Dr. Fruzzetti also has developed multiple applications of DBT for women victims of domestic violence, eating disorders, and for partners, parents and other family members of people with borderline personality and related problems.

Cost \$450 pp (GST Incl.) Lunch and snacks provided. Please check website: www.twm.org.nz to register

Tuition fees are transferable but non-refundable. However, if minimum numbers are not met, all monies will be reimbursed.

Cultural Awareness and the Treaty of Waitangi

1-5pm, Wednesday 22nd March 2017

Increase your understanding of how the Treaty is relevant to your workplace. Introductory/refresher level. Experienced tutor and positive learning environment.

Venue: Quaker Centre, cnr Ferry Rd and Nursery Rd **Cost**: \$50. Certificate provided.

Enquiries: Cathy Sweet 027 256 8908

csweet@xtra.co.nz

Volunteering Canterbury 2017 events:

Wednesday 22 March, 9am - 1pm:

"Better Boards: Get the Governance your Not-for-Profit Deserves" Tutor: Garth Nowland-Foreman.

As not-for-profits we need our boards to be high performing and adding real value to the organisation. In this interactive workshop Garth offers new understandings and practical tips to make that possible.

Venue: Christchurch Community House Meeting Rm 2 **Fee**: \$90 for first attendee from VolCan member organisations; \$120 for first attendee from non-VolCan member organisations. (add \$30 for each extra attendee from your organisation and SAVE!)

RSVP: <u>outreach@volcan.org.nz</u> for registration form - or watch for it to be loaded on <u>www.volcan.org.nz</u>

Tuesday 9 May, 9-1pm:

"Toxic Environments and Difficult Conversations".

Tutor: Chris Beardsley

Venue: Christchurch Community House Meeting Room 2 Fee: \$55 for first attendee from VolCan member organisations: \$85 for first attendee from non-VolCan member organisations (add \$25 for each extra attendee from your organisation and SAVE!)

RSVP: outreach@volcan.org.nz for registration form

Community Law Canterbury Privacy workshop.

Recommended for managers and volunteer co-ordinators of Christchurch non-profits

This workshop looks at how the proposed new incorporated society's laws will affect your privacy obligations. *Please note:* this workshop will not cover the Health Information Privacy.

This 90 minute workshop will cover:

 membership, client and HR records-privacy rules about collecting, storing, sharing and disposal of personal information what to do if your group inadvertently breaches the privacy of a client or member

Tuesday 21 March, 10.00 - 11.30 am Location: Christchurch-venue details on registration Cost: \$20

Limited space: These workshops usually fill quickly. To help make the training available to as many groups as possible, attendance is limited to two people from each group, and space is made available only to volunteer Board members and managers.

How to register: email susan@canlaw.org.nz with your name and your group's name. We'll then check available space before contacting you to confirm your registration. We'll send further details eg venue location at that stage.

International Coalition of Children of Incarcerated Parents - INCCIP Conference 2017

Hosted by Pillars in Auckland, New Zealand 20th to 23rd March 2017.

The conference has a number of themes including research, advocacy, working with the children of prisoners and including the voices of families and children. In terms of international involvement, the response has been remarkable. Already in place are 12 keynotes, 24 individual papers, 4 symposia and 13 workshops. http://xleco.com/page/5-inccip-conference/14-News/24-ABOUT_THE_CONFERENCE

Registration \$550NZ. We are hoping to offer some assistance to some community people who cannot afford the rate.

Please email <u>liz.gordon@canterbury.ac.nz</u> for further information.

Christchurch Housing Forum

When: Wed 29th March 2017

Venue: Oxford Terrace Baptist Church Hall on the corner of Oxford Terrace & Madras Street, Christchurch

Time: 12.30pm to 2pm

Inquiries to Tenants Protection Assn, phone 379 2297.

LIVING ECONOMIES

31 Morch - 2 April 2017 EXPO

Living Economies have teamed up with 6 partner organisations to run an expo that challenges the global scarcity economic model of thinking about assets and resources, towards the asset based approach – in order to effect systemic change.

Registration now open: http://livingeconomies.nz

Dates: 31 March - 2 April

Venues: Lyttelton Recreation Centre (Friday) Lyttelton Primary School (Friday evening, Saturday, Sunday)

Starting and finishing times have not been finalised, probably 9am on the Friday – 4pm on the Sunday.

Contact Margaret Jefferies... <u>Margaret@lyttelton.net.nz</u> Organisations are encouraged to sign up to the newsletter, offer assistance to the organisers, and promote the event: HERE To find out more: http://www.le.org.nz/

ACTIVATE Event in Auckland 5th & 6th April 2017

Activate is a team of specialists in community-led development. They use their experience to mentor, broker, train and connect communities to become even better places in which to live, work and invest. This 2 day event visits communities leading change across Auckland followed by an exchange of ideas and learning practical skills together. More info and to register go to: exchange@inspiringcommunities.org.nz or visit their website: inspiringcommunities.org.nz

Dementia: The Basics is a comprehensive course for professionals new to dementia care or those who wish to refresh their knowledge and skills. This course is for health and other professionals working with people with dementia:

Date: Wednesday 12th April 2017

Time: 8.30am to 4pm. Morning/afternoon tea, lunch incl. **Location:** Dementia Canterbury (314 Worcester Street,

Linwood). Off-site parking is available.

Cost: \$100 for Dementia Canterbury members, \$110 for non-members. Prices include gst

Registrations with payments close on Friday 1st April 2017. Register now as places are limited to a maximum of 18 participants.

Jigsaw Central Lakes invites you to the Family & Sexual Violence Conference

21-22 April 2017 (save the date), Queenstown.

- 20 April Pre-Conference Catalyst Trust Community Forum
- 21-22 April 2017 Conference

How does culture impact on the existence and prevention of Family and Sexual Violence in Aotearoa? Join us to consider how cultural change may create sustainable reduction in Family and Sexual Violence.

For info call 027 203 4547 info@jigsawcentrallakes.co.nz or see

http://www.jigsawcentrallakes.co.nz/assets/_site_/downloads/conference_20_17.pdf

The Philanthropy Summit 2017 will bring together global and local thought leaders from philanthropy, business, government, investment and the community sector along with innovators for the two-day summit that will inform, inspire and challenge you.

Early registration is now open at

https://www.eiseverywhere.com/ehome/index.php?eventid=161783&

Dates: Wednesday 10th to Friday 12th May 2017

Location: Te Papa (Wellington)

We have an impressive line-up of speakers from near and far, including:

Katy Love - Wikimedia Foundation (USA);

Allan and Rachel English - English Family Foundation

Donna Flavell - Waikato-Tainui (NZ);

Judge Carolyn Henwood (NZ);

Dai Henwood (NZ); and

Naida Glavish - co-chair of Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Whātua (NZ).

Philanthropy New Zealand looks forward to seeing you there, and together learning about game-changing strategies and innovative ways to maximise our impact in philanthropy.

Autism New Zealand: highly regarded, evidence-based education courses offered to families, whānau and professionals supporting a person with autism.

FANZ (Framework for Autism in New Zealand)

Supporting an individual on the Autism Spectrum

FANZ is specifically designed for family/whānau/ caregivers, educators, health professionals, and anyone involved with a child or adult on the Autism Spectrum.

Timaru: Wednesday 3 & Thursday 4 May 2017

9.30am to 3.30pm both days

Cost: Family/Whanau/Caregivers: \$50.00 (per person)

Professionals: \$175.00 (per person)

Way to Play Playing joyously with your child on the Autism Spectrum

Christchurch Thurs 15 June 2017 9.30am to 3.30pm **Cost**: Family/Whanau/Caregivers: \$20.00 (per person) Professionals: \$75.00 (per person)

Info: http://www.autismnz.org.nz/training_programmes or to contact the Branch to discuss these courses, or for assistance to register please call 03 343 2225, or email canterbury@autismnz.org.nz

Child Matters – Working Together with Vulnerable Kids – Free seminar for professionals

Understand your role in working with vulnerable children and keeping them safe

Where: Christchurch (Papanui) 16th May Christchurch West 17th May

Time: 9am – 3pm Morning tea & Lunch provided Venue TBC on enrolment To enrol follow this link: https://www.tfaforms.com/401541?tfa_7628=tfa_7632

More info phone 07 838 3370

Youth Worker Code of Ethics Training

Anyone who works or volunteers with young people is welcome, including those who have done this training before. The first Canterbury Youth Workers Collective course for 2017 is to be held at Tuahiwi Marae, Kaiapoi

Thursday 9 March 3pm until Friday 10 March 4pm (overnight stay). Completing this course is the first step towards becoming a member of the CYWC.

For more information and to register: http://www.cywc.org.nz/code-of-ethics.html

Healthy Christchurch Lunchtime Seminars 2017

Community and Public Health, 310 Manchester Street 12:15 to 1:15 pm

Tues 14 Mar Salvation Army Oasis Centre for Problem Gambling

Thurs 30 Mar Human Rights Commission Red Zone Report

Wed 12 April CDHB & CCC Alcohol Harm Minimisation Activity

Tues 2 May MBIE Urban Performance

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CCS Disability Action - My Rights!

For young people aged 13 – 25 to develop knowledge to speak up for your rights and the rights of other young disabled people. NZSL interpreters available.

When: 3 Saturdays 11,18,25 March or 18-20 April 2017

Time: 9.30 – 3pm

Where: Youthtown, Eastgate Mall Christchurch.

Lunch & refreshments provided.

Email <u>Karen.whiting@ccsdisabilityaction.org.nz</u> to register, stating:

- a situation where you felt your rights had been breached
- why you would like to attend this course

Working With Men Conference

24- 25 Aug 2017 Tauranga

Kidz Need Dadz would like expressions of interest from individuals and organisations for our workshops at

the "Working with Men" conference. If you would like to hold a workshop and/or attend the conference then please get in touch.

Topics include:

- What works & what doesn't?
- How do we effectively engage men?
- How to change generational thought patterns
- What needs to change in order for men to feel safe asking for help
- What programs are working? what's not.
- How do you work with and engage men.
- What issues are facing men in NZ

EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST Please send a brief overview of the workshop you would like to present to: The manager, <u>mailto:manager@kidzneeddadz.org.nz</u>
We have limited positions available so we are looking for excellent speakers from around the country on the topic of men's issues.

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/

Family Therapy & Working with Family/Whanau Training Workshops 2017:

Working with Family/Whanau in Aotearoa NZ (4-day introductory workshops)

Extending Your Collaborative Practice with Family/Whanau (2-day applied practice workshops)

'The Person of the Therapist' Mid-Winter Professional Retreat (5-day residential training workshop on self-reflection as a family/whanau practitioner)

For details of workshops and registration email <u>craig-whisker1161@gmail.com</u> or Facebook <u>https://www.facebook.com/nzfamilytherapists</u>

Social Service Providers Aotearoa Annual Conference: 4 - 5 September Te Papa, Wellington.

"Beyond Boundaries-Collaboration in Action".

SSPA is now calling for proposals to lead and facilitate workshops. Closing date for expressions of interest **5pm, 10 March.** For more information or to submit a proposal: https://www.sspa.org.nz/events/sspa-conference-2017

Working with Parents' Anger - 2 day workshop Christchurch 14 & 15 Sept 2017

Two day workshop for people working with parents, caregivers & families, where anger and distress is impacting on children. Focus is on skills and interventions to take the heat off the child, while supporting parents' growth.

Day 1: Concepts & Skills
Day 2: Application of learning

Method combines theory and practice utilising experiential methods and didactic teaching. Learning occurs in an environment of confidentiality and open enquiry.

Fee \$240 plus GST. Contact <u>Selina.reid@gmail.com</u> to register.

Public Health Association NZ Conference: join us here in Ōtautahi Christchurch on the 2nd to 4th of October 2017

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

Call for abstracts will be sent out beginning of March.

FUNDING

Rata Foundation If you have any questions about the changes to our grant application process please check out the Funding section of our website and in particular the Frequently Asked Questions section http://www.ratafoundation.org.nz/funding to learn How

http://www.ratafoundation.org.nz/funding to learn How We Fund and What We Fund or call one of our team on 0508 266 878.

Small Grants / Nga Putea Iti are open any time. Maximum \$20,000. Only one application per year. Large Grants / Nga Putea Nui have three closing dates per year. The 2017 dates are due out any time.

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

Trustees Executors is proud to administer six funds including the following:

The Kingston Sedgfield (NZ) Charitable
 Trust 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

Lottery Grants

Lottery Community Facilities Opens 25 Jan 2017 Closes 8 March 2017

Lottery Significant Projects Fund

Opens 1 Feb 2017 Closes 15 March 2017 http://www.communitymatters.govt.nz/Funding-and-grants---Lottery-grants

COGS grants applications open on 12 April 2017, close 24 May 2017

CCC Strengthening Communities Fund SEWN expects applications to open mid - April 2017. At present staff are unable to give us a definite date.

Creative NZ: Creative Communities always open. http://www.creativenz.govt.nz/find-funding/funds

For many years we've ended our newsletter with an inspirational quote. We've just found a goldmine of quotes made just for the non-profit sector so for the next few months we're going to share these with you. They're from the highly entertaining blog spot *Non Profit with Balls* by Vu Le. You can enjoy his blogs at http://nonprofitwithballs.com/

Quotes from Famous people if they worked in Non Profit:

Our greatest glory is not in never failing but in being able to explain our mission, challenges and accomplishments in 750 characters.

-Ralph Waldo Emerson

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