

# Community Wellbeing

The total number of confirmed cases in the MidCentral District is now ten. Schools that have been affected by the current measles outbreak are reopened and staff and students who have provided evidence of immunity against measles have resumed their normal activities. Those students and teachers who have not been able to provide evidence of immunity to date have been asked to stay in isolation. Isolation means staying at home and away from public places.

In this month's edition of the Community Wellbeing Newsletter you can find out about Matariki celebrations, COGS and Rural Halls funding and other activities, training & events coming up across our district. We hope you enjoy!

## Upcoming Community Meetings

If you don't already, why not come along to one of our public Community Wellbeing Forums? All are welcome to attend!

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The next **Youth Network** meeting is scheduled for Tuesday 21 June at 10.00am, in Council Chambers.

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The next **Older Persons Network** meeting is on Thursday 16 June at 10.00am, also in Council Chambers.

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The next **Disability Leadership Forum** meeting is on Monday 13 June from 5.00pm in Council Chambers.

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The next **Arts, Culture and Heritage Network** Meeting is scheduled for Friday 17 June, to be held at the Shannon Memorial Hall

With regards,

*Monique Davidson, Denise Kidd, Garreth Stevens, Cathryn Pollock and Emma Childs*

## Horowhenua College to compete at Shakespeare Nationals event

Horowhenua College won first place at the Kapiti Regional Shakespeare Festival this year while hosting the event for the first time. As a result they will be competing in the Nationals competition in Wellington this weekend.

Horowhenua College have been fundraising to contribute to the expense associated with getting its amazing performers to the competition and Youth Voice have been helping them reach their dreams! On Saturday 28 May Youth Voice made a contribution by holding a BBQ fundraiser at New World.

Big thanks go to New World for supporting the fundraiser, and everyone who bought a sausage! We managed to raised over \$300 in a few short hours – fantastic!

Stage Challenge last week was also a big win for the Horowhenua District. Horowhenua College placed second in the competition and Waiopahu College managed third place despite significant road bumps thanks to the measles outbreak. Next week project CYN will also be a fantastic demonstration of youth performing art talent in the district with performances at Horowhenua College on 8 June at 6:00pm and again at 7:30pm. Check out the Horowhenua College Facebook page for more information.

Ahead of the Shakespeare Nationals, Youth Voice wishes Horowhenua College's performers the BEST OF LUCK!

## Youth Voice: Make your Voice heard!



**Talofa! O lo'u  
igoa o Emma  
Tufuga. I am  
16 years old  
and currently  
attending  
Manawatu  
College.**

I am a very driven person with expensive goals and an ambitious future. I know what I want and I work to the

absolute best of my ability to ensure that I not only achieve but go above and beyond expectations. This year I was given the opportunity and successfully proceeded to become a member of the Horowhenua Youth Voice 2016. Initially, I had no idea what Youth Voice stood for but after a personal conversation with previous members they did not hesitate to express the opportunities and life skills that they have taken from this position and will continue to cherish no matter where life takes them. I chose to apply for Youth Voice because I want to give back to my community as I feel they deserve to experience the best of what the Horowhenua Youth Voice can do and offer. This district has a lot of talented, driven but also deprived, under-appreciated children and teenagers who deserve to be showcased and given all possible chances to a fun-loving and bright future. I want to be a part of this journey alongside the other members of Youth Voice to help extend my own leadership skills, become more involved and learn more about my wider community. I hope that when the time comes, I leave with a better understanding of what it not only means to be part of a team but a strong leader. I hope that this experience will help me in my future path whether I decide to pursue criminal law or architecture; two very different professions that I know I will love either of! For now I will continue to strive to be the best I can be not just for myself but to make my friends and family proud.

## Tune in to Fusion FM 106.9

Did you know, The Contact Youth Space has its very own youth driven community radio? You can tune in using FM 106.9 in Levin, by downloading the Te Takere Youth Space app for android and iphone or by streaming at [bit.ly/RadioFusion](http://bit.ly/RadioFusion).

On Wednesdays the Metal Hour hosted by 17 year old Geordie Parrant begins at 5pm and in June a very special mini-series will take listeners on a journey of rock and metal through the 70s, 80s, 90s and 2000s week by week.

On Thursdays a brand new show featuring a different member of Youth Voice will air each week from 5pm so set the car stereo to FM 106.9!!

***If you know a young person interested in broadcasting who might like to have a go in studio, learn about the radio or even host their own show, contact Sophie Parrant, Youth Space Coordinator by email, [sophiep@tetakere.org.nz](mailto:sophiep@tetakere.org.nz)***

Stay tuned to hear about more shows and collaborative work with Kia Ora FM in June!

## Grow: The Future Not-For-Profit Organisation



**Matthew Tukaki**

Develop strategies that enable financial sustainability and best practice governance

This series of workshops is for NFP financial executive staff members, including CFOs, CEOs/executive directors and controllers, directors of finance and board trustees.

Interactive and engaging, Matthew Tukaki's presentations explore why it is important to reform and prepare your organisation for change. Topics covered include how to diversify income streams, brand development and engagement, and governance and management reform.

Single attendee price is \$300



Tuesday 14 June 2016, 8.30am– 4.00pm  
Caccia Birch House  
130 Te Awe Awe Street, Palmerston North

***For more information and to make a booking visit [futureofnfs.grow.co.nz](http://futureofnfs.grow.co.nz)***



## Community Services Action Plan Released

Horowhenua District Council has just released the 2016-2017 Community Services Action Plan outlining the short and long term objectives for Community Services across the district in four areas including:

- Community Development
- Aquatics, Leisure and Recreation
- Community Hubs
- Libraries and Community Learning

This Plan was directly informed by the Community Services Review. Copies of the Community Services Action Plan can be picked up over the next 2 months from Council Offices.

Council is also seeking nominations for a Community Services Reference Group, that is currently being established to encourage greater levels of community engagement by Council with community. Again, this is part of Council's response to the Community Services Review.

### The purpose of the Reference Group is to:

- Ensure the perspective of Iwi is provided to Council on the range of community services delivered by Council;
- Ensure the perspective of different geographical communities of Levin, Foxton/ Foxton Beach, Shannon, Tokomaru, Waitarere, Ohau, Manakau and Waikawa are provided to Council on the range of community services delivered by Council;
- Ensure the perspective of different target populations of families with children, youth, older people and people with disabilities are provided to Council on the range of community services delivered by Council.
- Ensure the perspective of key community-based user groups of Aquatics, Libraries and Community Hubs are provided to Council;
- To make Horowhenua District a great place to live in;
- Build community's knowledge of Council processes to enable them to participate in Council's community consultation and decision-making processes;
- Build the Council's knowledge of the needs, interests and aspirations of the different communities within and across the district.

### The goals of the Reference Group are:

- Advocate for and on behalf of communities;
- Create opportunities for communities to initiate their own ideas and projects;
- Help achieve the specific community results endorsed by Council;
- Provide regular advice to the Council on community services matters

Copies of Nomination Forms are included in the Community Services Action Plan.



## Council adopts Youth and Positive Ageing Action Plans

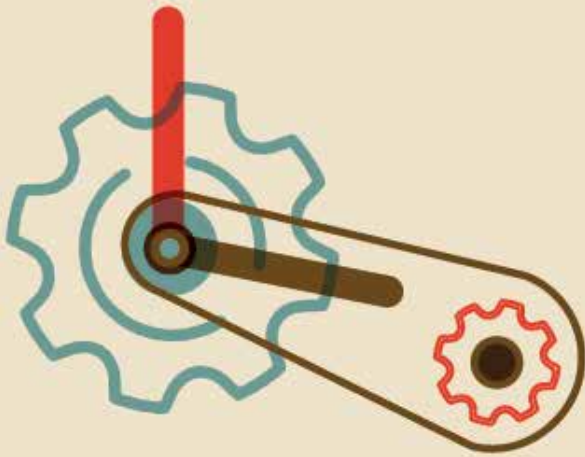
Two Community Development Action Plans have been adopted by the Horowhenua District Council.

The Youth Action Plan 2016 – 2019 sets out Council's commitments to youth services and young people in the community. Its development was led by Youth Voice, Horowhenua's Youth Council who held multiple consultations with young people from across the district.

Similarly, the Positive Ageing Action Plan 2016 – 2019 outlines Council's commitment to facilitating, coordinating and advocating for services that ensure a healthy and satisfying lifestyle for older generations in Horowhenua.

**Both Action Plans are available to download on Council's website, [www.horowhenua.govt.nz](http://www.horowhenua.govt.nz) and by hard copy from Council from 13 June onwards.**





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TIME  
19-25  
JUNE  
2016  
NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK

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## National Volunteer Week

19-25 June is National Volunteer Week and the Manawatu & Districts Volunteer Resource Centre is putting on some events. On 21 June they are hosting a Volunteer Recognition awards evening in Palmerston North and on 24 June they are holding a 'Thank you' luncheon for volunteers in Levin.

**For more information contact the Volunteer Resource Centre by emailing [info@vrcmanawatu.org.nz](mailto:info@vrcmanawatu.org.nz)**

## Budget service tenders invited

*From the Ministry of Social Development*

The Ministry of Social Development (MSD) is undertaking a major shift in how it funds and supports budget services that are delivered to the public. The aim is to build the financial capability of New Zealanders experiencing hardship.

The shift is being made to ensure services:

- take into account the diverse and complex needs of New Zealanders experiencing hardship
- deliver a seamless and empowering experience for clients that is consistent and collaborative across the board.

An initial set of frontline services has been developed to replace current budget services.

These are the first stepping stones toward building services that are responsive, adaptive and consistent.

A Tender process will be open on the Government Electronic

Tender Service (GETS) website from 1 June 2016 for providers to seek funding to deliver all or some of the new frontline services. All related information on applying for the new service will be available on GETS once the tender is advertised.

To ensure you receive all updates about the new tender, we encourage you to register with GETS now, using the UNSPSC code 93000000 in your account settings. Information on registering with GETS and applying online for funding is available on the MSD website.

The information pack about the new Building Financial Capability services is now live for your review and use. Please click on the link to the updated webpage for From budget services to financial capability that has gone live:

**<https://www.familyservices.govt.nz/working-with-us/funding-and-contracting/budgeting-services-funding/>**

## COGS applications close soon

COGS provides grants to non-profit community organisations delivering community-based social services. COGS grants support organisation running costs, projects and events. The 2016/17 Community Organisation Grants Scheme (COGS) funding round is now inviting applications via a new online system until Wednesday 8 June. Please note that applicants will need to have a realme login to access the new online system.

***Organisations providing community-based social services are encouraged to review the fund criteria, required documentation and specific committee priorities at [www.communitymatters.govt.nz](http://www.communitymatters.govt.nz)***

# Reminder: upcoming workshops for youth workers

Are you a youth worker wanting to further your skills? The Wellington Regional Youth Workers Trust are holding affordable workshops for youth workers around the Lower North Island! These workshops will run from 9am – 4pm and have 30 spaces available for each session.

**To register for these workshops contact - Chloe Bisley-Wright, Regional Training Coordinator, by email: [WRYWTtraining@gmail.com](mailto:WRYWTtraining@gmail.com) or call: 0212935086**

## July 2016



**Thursday 28th (9am) to Friday 29th (4pm) July**  
Te Tiriti o Waitangi (Treaty of Waitangi) in Practice



Waiokura Marae in Manaia, South Taranaki and Noho Marae

- Accommodation and meals will be provided for this two day workshop
- Facilitated by Neavin Broughton

## August 2016



**Monday 8th August**  
Advanced Code of Ethics & Youth Development Strategy Aotearoa



Tamatea, Napier

- No accommodation provided
- Free lunch and refreshments included
- Facilitated by Rod Baxter



**Tuesday 9th August**  
Code of Ethics for Youth Workers in Aotearoa New Zealand



Upper Hutt, Wellington.

- No accommodation provided
- Free lunch and refreshments included
- Facilitated by Jane Zintl

## October 2016



**Tuesday 18th October**  
Risk Assessment Management



Te Takere  
10 Bath Street, Levin.

- No accommodation provided
- Free lunch and refreshments included
- Facilitated by Aiden Tensell

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## Raising Maori and Pasifika achievement: What works?

### Health Promoting Schools FREE workshop



Wednesday 29th June, 10am-3pm,  
Levin Home for War Veterans,  
36-40 Prouse Street, Levin.

These free workshops are hosted by your local Health Promoting Schools service. The workshops are for all school leaders, teachers and champions in their school community who are prepared to ask the critical questions about why disparity exists for certain groups and then be courageous about seeking out the answers in new places.

These workshops are grounded in evidence and practices that work in New Zealand school communities. We offer new places to look for answers, new ways to collect and evaluate information, new classroom, leadership and system practices.

In these workshops we:

- identify what works and why; that is based on the research that can significantly improve outcomes for Māori and Pasifika and those minoritised
- support you to identify your engagement priorities and the role of HPS in supporting your school community
- support you to identify the next steps/actions for your school community in order to achieve significant impact

**Please click [here](#) to register your attendance. For more information contact Health Promoting Schools Advisor Emma Williams [emma.williams2@midcentraldhb.govt.nz](mailto:emma.williams2@midcentraldhb.govt.nz)**



# MATARIKI at Te Takere 7-11 June 2016

## Tuesday 7th

Powhiri and karakia 9am-10am

Te Reo for beginners 10am-11.30am and 12pm-2pm

Harakeke and whakairo 10am-3pm

## Wednesday 8th

Harakeke and whakairo 10am-3pm

Childrens Puanga Matariki 10.30am-11.30am

Te Reo for beginners 12pm-2pm

Putiputi making 4pm-7pm

Starlab planetarium - 3.30pm-8pm **gold coin donation**

## Thursday 9th

Harakeke and whakairo 10am-3pm

Childrens Puanga Matariki 10.30-11.30am

Starlab planetarium 3.30pm-5.30pm **gold coin donation**

## Friday 10th

Harakeke and whakairo 10am-3pm

Lunchtime waiata 12pm-1pm

Putiputi making 2pm-4pm

## Saturday 11th

Harakeke and whakairo 10am-3pm

Taonga Pūoro Kōauau making workshop - 1pm-3pm

Sand art storytelling 2pm

Matariki presentation 3pm-4pm

Concert featuring Nga Wai o Manawhenua 4pm-5pm

Community hakari 5pm-6pm

Sky lantern release after sundown





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## Matariki 7-11 June

Our Puanga Matariki celebrations are from Tuesday 7 June through to Saturday 11 June. We have a varied programme of free workshops, a Starlab planetarium and fun games and stories for the kids, music and community kai.

Matariki provides a great opportunity to learn more about Te Reo and Maori arts and crafts. Sue Tucker and the Kokiri weavers will be at Te Takere all week, making a communal whariki (flax mat) which will be created for the children's story times. Other workshops during the week include Te Reo for beginners, putiputi weaving, and on Saturday learn about traditional instruments and make a Koauau (flute). All workshops are absolutely free and open to the public - no prior experience is necessary, just come and join in.

For two days we will have a large inflatable planetarium set up in the Contact Youth Space. Hundreds of school children will be visiting during school hours to learn about day and night, seasons, moon phases, eclipses, planets, comets, night sky recognition, constellation positions, space exploration and myths and legends. From 3.30pm each day Starlab will be open for 30 minute public sessions for a gold coin donation. This includes our late night Wednesday through to 8.30pm. Come and enjoy an audio visual spectacle lead by expert astronomer Gloria Witheford.


Saturday is the big finale that will show the heart and spirit of our community. From 1pm visiting Taonga Puoro musicians will show, share and play traditional instruments. Manu Bennett is providing a special performance from 2pm of sand picture storytelling that will be projected onto a large screen for family viewing. He is also giving a talk on Matariki, building up to a concert at 4pm featuring Kapahaka, traditional instruments and waiata. A community Hakari will follow at 5pm. Come and sample hangi food and bring a plate of something sweet to contribute to the table. After sundown we will release glowing sky lanterns to remember those who have passed, to cherish those who are here, and to release our hopes and dreams for the year ahead.

## Victoria University short courses – new topics

Due to the success of our first term of Victoria University Short Courses, we are able to announce even more exciting topics for the second term. We encourage you to book soon for these – the two photography classes are limited to 12 people so are likely to fill fast.

These two courses look particularly interesting, both covering topics that are being widely discussed in the media:

### The Bottom Billion: Can we end world poverty?


 Saturday 17 September

This course is for anyone who is concerned about global poverty and who wants to learn more about international initiatives, development agencies, and how they work.

By the end of this course, participants will:

- understand definitions of poverty and how it can be measured
- have gained an understanding of the structure and dynamics of current development assistance
- develop an understanding of the role that individuals can play in reducing poverty, both as citizens and consumers.

### What Does it Mean to be a New Zealander?

 Saturday 17 September


This course explains how land has, in various ways, been used to construct a Kiwi national identity and define us as a nation. You will examine the current debate over intensive farming, Treaty of Waitangi claims, foreign ownership and '100% Pure' tourism campaigns, which show how land obviously remains both important to this country and hotly contested.

### Finding Magic in the Mundane

 Saturday 9 July

At this one-day interactive photography workshop you will learn to see the dormant possibilities in the 'everyday ordinary'.


### Ancient Wonders: The pyramids of Egypt

 Saturday 20 August

This one-day seminar examines the evolution of the pyramid as a royal tomb, from step pyramid to true pyramid.

**For more information and to book go to <http://cce.victoria.ac.nz>.**

### Any Camera Anywhere: From compact camera to iPhone

 Saturday 3 September

This one-day workshop shows that great photographs come from an understanding of a few key visual design techniques not from having the flashiest equipment. Bring whatever picture-making device you have and your sense of adventure.



Photo Credit: HLC

## Social Sector Trial update

*By Terisa Ngobi, Project Coordinator*

Life to the Max Youth Coordinators (YC) supported a NEET client in applying for and receiving a Youth Guarantee (YG) Scholarship/place on the UCOL Food and Beverage course starting in July. There are a limited number of YG placings at UCOL and an interview, needs assessment and support person for the applicant is required when applying. The YC assisted with the application, meeting arrangements and took the client to the out of town interview. YC's also supported another young person to obtain YG Scholarship at UCOL for Hairdressing College and 4 young people to pass their Driver's Licence.

If you are 16 - 17 years old, not engaged in education, training or work and would like help with drivers licensing, courses, C.V.'s and career advice, contact Life to the Max on: (06) 368 8005. LTTM Youth Service also look after Young Parent Payment and Youth Payment clients, and welcome your questions relating to the eligibility of these payments.

**For more information please visit the Ministry of Social Development (MSD) website Social Sector Trials: <https://www.msd.govt.nz/about-msd-and-our-work/work-programmes/initiatives/social-sector-trials>**

## Future of Social Sector Trials

On 5 May Minister Anne Tolley announced the future of the Social Sector Trials, a joint initiative of the Ministries of Social Development, Education, Health, Justice as well as NZ Police to strengthen co-ordination at every level of government and within the community in order to improve outcomes for young people. A decision has been taken to end six of the Social Trials at 30 June but support the remaining ten, who are regarded as successful and established in the local community, to become fully managed locally - going from a community-influenced model to a community-led model.

Horowhenua Social Sector Trials is regarded as one of the ten successful trials which will now move into a community led model. Work will be undertaken between 1 July and 31 December 2016 to transition the Horowhenua Social Sector Trial to become a locally led model. This process will be supported by the 5 government agencies who have been involved with the Trials from the start. The aim will be to embed the successful aspects of the Trials into business as usual while also considering what youth focused model or framework we want in Horowhenua going forward.



# Our Braided River – A conceptual framework. ‘Pioneering change of how we work together’

By Joanne Maraki, SST Project Manager

Following lengthy and robust community consultation and feedback, SST Horowhenua has almost completed the development of a localised multiagency Domestic and Family Violence Charter. This piece of work has been implemented in direct response to Action 1.4 in the SST/YCAP (Youth Crime Action Plan) to ‘Improve local integration of D&FV services between Police, D&FV services, Ministry of Justice, Ministry of Social Development’. The charter has been likened to our braided river that runs alongside Kimberly Reserve in Horowhenua; a network of many channels that interconnect at different times on sometimes shifting ground. Our Braided River demonstrates a sense of natural order and agility, cohesiveness and determination in movement to reach its destination. This is not dissimilar to the diversity and networks within our social sector workforce. We collectively make up the many strands and threads that touch families’ lives during times of crisis, need and pathways to recovery. We are neither lineal nor uniform and we are working within a context of broader transformational change at local, regional and national levels. Our destination and, therefore, aspiration is to contribute effectively to whole, healthy and thriving communities that are free from violence and abuse. This requires agility and cohesiveness and a shared determination to support children, young people and families experiencing the debilitating effects of domestic and family violence.

The development of this charter has been monumental. It has been led in partnership via the Social Sector Trial Horowhenua by a working group made up of Iwi, Police, DHB, the Children’s Team and Family Violence specialists/representatives. The commitment of the working group has been humbling and inspirational and they must be acknowledged – nga mihi nunui ki a koutou, tena koutou, tena koutou, tena koutou.

As articulated by Di Rump, CE Muaupoko Tribal Authority and D&FV working group member “the essence of this charter is to create a shared vision and a platform for future workforce development strategies, multi-agency practice frameworks, and monitoring processes that are needed to achieve a truly effective integrated approach”

The Charter will be launched during the Matariki period in June; an appropriate time of reflection, assessment, and planning to commence the New Year. Approximately 30 agencies from government, Iwi, and the NGO sectors have contributed and will receive a copy of the final charter alongside an invitation to acknowledge and celebrate the launch in June. On behalf of the D&FV working group, I personally thank each and every one of you who have freely given your time and expertise, frank and honest feedback. You trusted us with your frustrations, critique, challenges and most importantly, hope and belief that we can truly make a difference. Thank you also for your positive encouragement as this has helped immensely.

Te toia, te haumatia – nothing can be achieved without a plan, a workforce and a way of doing things. Nga mihi

## Suicide Prevention/Postvention Network Forum

As an initiative of MidCentral DHB’s Suicide Prevention/Postvention Action Plan, a free workshop for professionals, front-line workers and mental health stakeholders is being held in Horowhenua.



Tuesday 12th July 2016

9.30am - 12pm

Horowhenua Health Centre,  
62 Liverpool Street, Levin

**9.30am** - Welcome

**9.45am** - Suicide Postvention:

- Elizabeth Dempster (Suicide Prevention-Postvention Coordinator, MDHB)
- Jennie Jones (Wellington Regional Suicide Postvention Coordinator)

**10.45am** - Morning Tea

**11am** - Suicide Prevention/Postvention Workshop

**12pm** - Close

This forum is being provided as per Action Area One of the MidCentral DHB Suicide Prevention/Postvention Action Plan 2015 - 2017 to “promote mental health and wellbeing and prevent mental health problems”.

**RSVP: Public Health reception:  
06 350 9110 or email: [elizabeth.dempster@midcentraldhb.govt.nz](mailto:elizabeth.dempster@midcentraldhb.govt.nz) by  
Friday 8 July for catering purposes.**

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## HALT AGM

The Horowhenua Abuse Liaison Team (HALT) is holding their AGM on 29 June, with venue and time to be advised shortly. Nominations are hereby called for Committee members. Nominations shall also be accepted from the floor during the AGM.

**For more information, contact  
Stephanie Cook, [events@halt.org.nz](mailto:events@halt.org.nz)**

# June 2016

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