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MSD Contracting Framework

The Ministry of Social Development is progressing with the review of the proposed new Contracting Framework documents for its purchasing of social and transitional housing services. Under its contract for services with the government, CHA has been asked to coordinate provider input to MSD on behalf of the sector. All of the draft documents have been discussed in Workshops with provider representatives. The first revised documents based on that input were released on Friday, 3 August and posted to our website <u>here</u>. As additional revised documents are received they will also be posted. There is another Workshop to review the revised drafts on Friday, 10 August. A final Workshop is scheduled for Wednesday, 15 August.

The final versions of these documents are intended to be used for all MSD contracting going forward. If you currently contract with MSD or intend to do so, please review and ensure they meet your organisational needs.

Comments or concerns on these documents should be sent to <u>Chris</u> <u>Glaudel</u>. Chris is also organising conference calls with providers to discuss your ideas and proposed changes to the drafts. We have posted member comments onto the password protected members' section of our website and welcome your feedback on additional comments to post there.

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Jeff Mosley lives in Silver Spring, Maryland, in the Washington DC area, but he was born in New York. He is being hosted on his Axford Fellowship by the Ministry for Social Development and Community Housing Aotearoa. Jeff is researching the need and settings for attracting development capital to deliver affordable housing, specifically looking at interest from private sources such as banks, equity providers, Iwi and foundations.

His research includes a look at partnerships necessary to foster long-term multi-sector capital to deliver critically needed housing.

Jeff is also exploring the capacity building needs of the community housing sector, a segment of housing providers he works with back in the U.S.

Watch Jeff's webinar on Friday, 17 August at 1pm. Please RSVP to <u>Ruth Avery</u> if you would like to join the webinar.

For more information click here.

Collaboration delivers 19 new transitional homes for South Auckland families



This development at Sturdee Road, south Auckland, is a joint project: Housing New Zealand built the housing and the Ministry of Social Development contracted STRIVE Community Trust to manage the properties and support the people living there.

The homes offer short-term housing for families who urgently need a place to live while they look for a longer-term home, says STRIVE Chief Executive Sharon Wilson-Davis.

Sharon Wilson-Davis says the new homes are much needed and several of the units have already been let to families.

Read more here.

Developing the housing sector – secondment expression of interest

Community Housing Aotearoa and Housing New Zealand (HNZ) have been discussing how we can create secondment opportunities for skilled workers between community housing providers (CHP) and HNZ. This is a great way to build cross-sector relationships.

There is currently a funding round of the Community Internship Programme (CIP), which is a potential source of salary funding for secondments. The deadline for <u>applications</u> is 5 September, but don't let this tight timeframe put you off!

The CIP is not the only mechanism for facilitating these opportunities but it has recently helped fund a registered CHP to host a HNZ technical advisor for a six month period, to help with their asset management system and strategy.

If you have a particular service area or project that you think would benefit from the secondment of a suitably skilled person please contact <u>Ruth Avery</u> by 17 August 2018 so that we can connect with HNZ.

We'll keep you updated on this programme of work with HNZ. The objective is to have options for staff from both community housing providers and HNZ to enter secondment arrangements to share their experiences and expertise.

The homeless chap with the cat



When I was interviewed 11 months ago for the executive administration role, I was asked why I wanted the job. I said "I want to do something worthy," having had a series of meaningless government department roles.

Now that I work in the community housing sector I notice homelessness a lot more. I particularly notice one man who sleeps outside the railway station. I said to Scott Figenshow, what can we do to help these people? Can companies sponsor homeless people? Scott suggested I ask Downtown Community Ministry to see what they'd recommend. Their suggestion was to approach him and tell him about the soup kitchen and night shelter. He looked worldly-wise to me so I left it as I didn't want to wake him up.

The next time I saw him I noticed he had a cat in a cage. I emailed DCM and they said they knew him as part of their outreach programme and the SPCA had checked the cat and were happy to

leave it with him. The cat did look fat, fluffy, content and had 24/7 company.

I realised that companies aren't going to do anything as they see homeless people as a nuisance. So I decided to take matters into my own hands.

I asked my husband how I should approach the chap with the cat and he suggested I give him cat food (as we have cats including a homeless cat). So I bought cat food and dental cat biscuits and a chocolate bar and \$20 for the man. I had this in my handbag for at least a week because while I thought the railway station was his base, it turns out he has other places he goes. I was on the bus to work one day and saw him packing up his bags and cat outside the Cable Car. I nearly leapt off the bus to deliver the goods but I was running late for work so didn't.

By chance last Tuesday night I found him on a bench outside the railway station with his cat in its cage with the door open. I gave the cat a stroke and said "Hello, I've been looking for you." I gave him the bag of goods and explained there was money in there too. He said thank you several times. I felt SO good.

I noted this morning that he doesn't have a sleeping bag so I will work on rectifying that.

I will continue to give him money and encourage him to work with DCM and other providers that may be able to find a suitable home for him and his cat.

The wheels on the HNZ bus go round and round...



Recently, over 35 people from community and emergency housing organisations in Auckland were hosted by Neil Adams (former Regional Manager Northland/North West Central Auckland) and Housing New Zealand on a bus tour of several development sites.

The day started with an overview presentation delivered by HNZ's General Manager Business Innovation & Development, Andrew Booker, around plans to build 7,000 new homes in the next three years. Over 100 redevelopments are occurring throughout Auckland

including several Cross Laminated Timber projects (three current and six more in the pipeline).

The first visit was to 139 Greys Ave in central Auckland where HNZ has bold plans to replace the current nine storey building with a 'well-supported, well-connected, thriving urban village' that will include support services on site. Currently in the consultation and design phase the estimated timeline for completion is 2021. For more details on this project click <u>here</u>.

Next stop was the Northcote development where HLC (Homes, Land and Communities) is well advanced with the master planning for the area which will see 1200 new homes developed over the next five years. We were able to view inside some of the newly completed HNZ homes and had a quick <u>presentation</u> from HLC.

Then we went to Waterbank Crescent, Waterview, where we were able to see the new park developed alongside the tunnel and some of the replacement <u>HNZ housing</u>.

The last stop was at Great North Road, Waterview, where Ngāi Tai ki Tāmaki and Housing for Social Benefits, a subsidiary of west Auckland's Waipareira Trust, are the development partners for <u>120</u> <u>dwellings</u> – mainly apartments but also nine two and three bedroom terraces.

There is a particular focus from HNZ on how these future developments can become established and maintained as thriving communities:

- what will the mix be?
- what impact will intensive tenancy management have?
- how will on site community facilities be utilised?
- how will support services be accessed when required?

We look forward to exploring and understanding these issues together.

Thanks to HNZ and Neil for providing this opportunity. We wish Neil well with his new endeavours given his recent move from HNZ.

We will continue to engage with HNZ and will look at future opportunities of similar trips where there are significant areas of new developments.

Monitoring Intergenerational Wellbeing using the Living Standards Framework and The Human Rights Framework on Adequate Housing

We submitted our <u>letter</u> of support for the Living Standards Framework to Treasury on 30 July 2018.

Deloitte's next State of the State article is here!



Shifting the landscape What a wellbeing focus could mean for business

The Government's focus on wellbeing has the potential to shift the traditional economic landscape. In this article we examine what this could mean for New Zealand businesses, including:

- What implementing wellbeing looks like for business
- The financial/physical capital's importance in the four capitals mix
- The influences of regulation, taxation and consumer demands
- The rise of social enterprise.

Read the article here.

IN THE NEWS

More people in need of housing this winter

1,000 extra housing places so far this winter

KiwiBuild kicks in!

Major infrastructure funding for Queenstown Lakes District

New home construction on a slower but longer growth path

Non-compliant Landlords could pay penalties to their tenants

Chronic homelessness in New Zealand can be fixed by Housing First, expert says

EVENTS

He ora te whakapiri: Unleashing the potential of New Zealand life course research symposium - 18 October -Wellington



He ora te whakapiri means 'There is strength in unity.' We are doing that by bringing three National Science Challenges together.

The conference hosted by A Better Start, Healthier Lives and Ageing Well, will focus our best researchers on how to address the key health issues for New Zealanders from birth through to their later years.

Ageing Well is excited to announce they are accepting expression of interest for registrations. You may register <u>here</u>.

Date: Thursday 18 October 2018 Venue: Te Papa Tongarewa, Wellington

Free webinar - Research Opportunities for Community Organisations - 28 August



Join John Stansfield to learn how to harness free research expertise for your organisation. Hear about NGOs that have gained new insight into their work as a result of research done for their organisation.

11.00am, Tuesday 28th August.

Register here.

Free lunchtime webinar on the Charities Register - 23 August



Ngā Rātonga Kaupapa Atawhai

Date: 23 August 2018 Time: 12.00pm - approximately 1pm

You can find out details of any registered charity, such as their officers, contact information, what they do, and even what they do with their money.

We will explain:

- What the charities register is, and what it isn't
- How to search the register using different terms
- How to learn about a charity from the register.

Register <u>here</u>.

National Maaori Housing Conference 13-15 November 2018 - Hamilton



At this stage most of the information about this event is on FaceBook.

The full programme is still under development.

Marginal Housing: Where to Now?



Call for contributions

Once again the Australasian Housing Institute and the Council to Homeless Persons are combining their resources to publish a joint edition of their two publications - Marginal Housing: Where to Now?

The edition will build on previous publications and research that looked at boarding and rooming houses, caravan parks and the vicissitudes of insecure private rental. This edition Parity and Housing Works aims to examine the different forms and types of marginal housing as well as the responses of both government and services to the issues faced by people forced into marginal housing.

Chapter 1: Conceptual, definitional and enumeration issues Chapter 2: Policy Responses Chapter 3: Regulating Marginal Housing Chapter 4: Conclusions

As always AHI and CHP welcomes your contributions. Please send them your article, examining one or more unique issues related to the topic, by Friday, **7 September 2018**.

Read detailed submission instructions in their Contribution Guide.

Rethinking the Welfare System for the 21st Century - 12 September - Wellington



Rethinking the Welfare System for the 21st Century

The purpose of the Summit - Rethinking the Welfare System for the 21st Century - is to impact the reform agenda by increasing awareness and knowledge, especially among policy makers, about the chronic problems and the developments that will improve the welfare system so that it works much better for families and children.

Date: 12 September 2018 Time: 8:30am - 4:45pm Venue: Otago University, Nordmeyer Lecture Theatre, 23 Mein St, Newtown, Wellington Cost: \$30 Unwaged, \$65 Waged More information <u>here</u> Register <u>here</u>

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Register here.

Auckland Build - November 2018



Auckland Build is back this November with four events in one. Are you attending?

The leading event for the construction and building management industry is on November 8-9 at the ASB Showgrounds with over 200 exhibitors. Read more and register <u>here</u>.

Healthy Futures, 31 Oct - 1 Nov, Auckland



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