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Welcome to the fortnightly newsletter of Community Housing Aotearoa *Nga Wharerau o Aotearoa*.

Included in this issue – CHA member survey 2020, the Local Innovation and Partnership Fund, free Residential Tenancies Act webinars, CORT partnership with ACC announced, news and upcoming events.

**Community
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Community Housing Aotearoa member survey 2020

The strength of our sector is built on the strength of the members of Community Housing Aotearoa. We want to ensure we are delivering value to you, and delivering on the sector's strategic plan. If you are a full or partner member of CHA, you should have received a link to member survey on SurveyMonkey last week (only one person per organisation to respond please). Please contact Ngahuia Wright at support@communityhousing.org.nz to confirm membership details if you have not received the link to the survey. Thank you for taking the time to help us understand how we are doing in meeting your expectations.

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Te Matapihi, CHA and the Ministry of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) hosted a zoom information session on the [Local Innovation and Partnership Fund \(LIPF\)](#) and the [Homelessness Action Plan](#) on 1st September.

In the news

The LIPF funding round is open now and closes at 5:00pm on 16 October, 2020.

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Completed [applications](#) and any questions about the fund should be submitted via email to InnovationandPartnership@hud.govt.nz.

To further support an application, MHUD has produced a [guidance document](#) and Frequently Asked Questions can also be found [here](#).

Zoom webinar on RTA changes

Community Housing Aotearoa is sponsoring two free webinars on changes to the Residential Tenancies Act presented by Kathryn Burton. The [Residential Tenancies Amendment Act 2020](#) is now in force. These two Information sessions will inform you about the changes and how they impact community housing providers. Phase 1 law changes for transitional and emergency housing, and rent increases took effect on 12th August. Phase 2 law changes take effect from 11 February 2021 and include security of rental tenure, fixed-term tenancies and several other areas. Phase 3 changes cover family violence and physical assault and will take effect from 11 August 2021 (or earlier if the government agrees).

MHUD have produced a [summary](#) of the changes and [FAQs](#)

No need to register – just save in your calendar and click on the links provided and join the zoom meetings

Topic: Changes to Tenancy Law - General

Time: Sep 10, 2020 10:00 to 11.30 am

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81877995391?pwd=c09zM2lPQXZaR0VlVERHSkdpcVc0UT09>

Meeting ID: 818 7799 5391

Passcode: 637069

Topic: Changes to Tenancy Law - Transitional Housing Focus

Time: Sep 16, 2020 10:00 to 11.30 am Auckland, Wellington

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83847257602?pwd=VWtseDBtYnBBBeVlJmRqMUI4MUJnUT09>

Meeting ID: 838 4725 7602

Passcode: 231455

Kathryn Burton is an experienced workshop facilitator. She has done a lot of work recently with Social Housing providers and advocates, building their confidence on Tenancy Law and the way this impacts on vulnerable tenants. Kathryn's workshops are interactive so there will be an opportunity to ask questions.

CORT partners with ACC to deliver new homes

In a first for New Zealand, CORT Community Housing and ACC (the Accident Compensation Corporation) have formed a new partnership to fund, build and manage 100 new homes for people and families on the public housing waiting list in Auckland.

CORT CEO Peter Jeffries says the partnership would provide a much-needed boost for our communities.

"The Public Housing Register now indicates over 18,000 New Zealanders are in desperate need of affordable housing," he says. "While the Government's investment in Kāinga Ora is

welcome, growing the community housing sector will also be just as crucial to supply enough homes to meet this need."

Read the [CORT announcement](#) and the [CHA release](#) on this new investment model. [ACC released](#) this message on the partnership. The [Ministry of Housing and Urban Development](#) is also key partner in this and welcomed the news.

Congratulations to all those involved at CORT, ACC and HUD who made this happen!

In the news

- [Hastings resident on programme that got her from motel to house](#)
- [Cross-party Support For Community Housing Providers Welcomed](#)
- [Covid 19 coronavirus: Auckland charities bracing for second wave of homelessness](#)
- [State paid \\$3000 a week for 'uninhabitable' houses](#)
- [Millions could be wasted on housing funding if Pacific experts not involved, experts warn](#)
- [Recession risks homelessness on a scale not seen before in Australia](#)

EVENTS

NZCCSS and SSPA - Good Information Sharing for Child Wellbeing

Held nationwide in September at no cost to you.

Registrations are now open – check your region and the date for your local workshop here.

The half day [workshop](#) will support the implementation of the information sharing provisions in the Oranga Tamariki Act that came into force on 1 July 2019.

It is an interactive session that aims to promote good information sharing practice across professionals in the child welfare and protection.

The [workshop](#) is open to front line staff as well as supervisors and managers from both NGOs and Oranga Tamariki and aims to:

- support consistent understanding of the information sharing requirements
- help build strong regional connections.

Good information sharing practice across the social service sector significantly contributes to the wellbeing and safety of tamariki.

These regional workshops are an important and exciting opportunity to be at the forefront of the social sector's responsiveness to the changes to information sharing.

It will also provide a launching point for on-going communities of practice that enhance the sector's capacity to effectively support tamariki wellbeing. Benefit from the chance to share insights, connect with others in your region and deepen your own information sharing practice.

Further information: Email: admin@sspa.org.nz, or phone 027 5101517

New Zealand Green Building Council

Building Knowledge

Aotearoa is facing two substantial challenges. We need an effective economic stimulus. And we also need to slash our climate pollution.

Join thousands of New Zealanders this September as we celebrate World Green Building Week with a series of thought provoking panel discussions and webinars tackling the big issues

Upcoming Events - Te pāpono - Te Reo Māori in the built environment.

To *celebrate* **Te Wiki o Te Teo Māori** join us online as we bring together an expert panel to discuss how we can all embed Māori design and language in our built environment.

Online | 16 September | 11:30am-12:30pm

To Register for any of the events click [here](#)