

Local Government

Quarterly Update 1 July - 30 September 2023

Healthy Families NZ develops quarterly updates for each key focus area, providing a snapshot of mahi being carried out across our location teams.

Healthy Families Invercargill continues to be involved in Tunatuna, the Murihiku pop up pump track. This track was launched in Bluff in July, and its establishment has brought together a wide range of organisations from throughout Southland, including the Invercargill City Council, Southland District Council, Gore District Council, community funders, Cycling Southland, and active recreation groups.

Healthy Families East Cape are working with community and established kaupapa partners to craft submissions for the Emergency Management Bill.

Healthy Families South Auckland designed mechanisms to allow for supplier diversity through procurement. The team added value by transforming insights into alternative key indicators and snapshot documents demonstrating practice and approach. The Healthy Families South Auckland Manager and The Southern Initiative Manager co-produced the 'Exceptional RFP Guide'. The aim is to illustrate the shift in strategic direction to work collaboratively with providers and the community to create the conditions to become a reality and work toward long-term goals.

Active Whakapapa is an interactive experience connecting people with te taiao (nature, the environment) and te ao Māori (Māori worldview) according to mana whenua (indigenous people) pūrākau (stories of origin). It is a site-specific, hyper-local experience highlighting locations of significance to Māori and kōrero tuku iho (stories of the past, oral traditions), which have been passed down through whakapapa (ancestors, genealogy). **Healthy Families Waitākere** developed a case study detailing the entire initiative, which can be viewed on their website.

Healthy Families Far North are focused on strategic partnership development with their local Territorial Authority, following the work that has intersected with local government over the last 12 months. On the horizon is a focus on the shaping of the Far North District Council Long Term Plan, and working to identify opportunities to improve intergenerational health outcomes through the strategic planning process, and, pursuing opportunities to demonstrate the Healthy Families NZ practice within the organisation with a view to supporting capability build.

Healthy Families South Auckland co-led the publication of the Kai Korero community of practice's report: 'The Food System in Tāmaki Makaurau: A Call to Action for Auckland Council' which outlines five action priorities for Auckland Council to more effectively lead to a regenerative food system for communities. The team supported development of tactical plan to get buy-in for this publication from local boards and Auckland Council teams.