

Active Travel

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

The "Locky Dock" initiative seeks to normalise cycling by raising awareness of cycling routes and providing free secure parking and charging for e-bikes and scooters. Several Locky Dock stations have been confirmed for West Auckland communities using an equity lens provided by **Healthy Families Waitākere**.

Healthy Families Far North are working alongside Far North District Council to understand what it might take to support more young people to travel to and from school in a way that gets people moving and reduces carbon emissions.

Healthy Families Rotorua are continuing to work with iwi and hapu to activate cycle paths in Rotorua.

Maria Smolar, Lead Systems Innovator for **Healthy Families Ōtautahi**, completed an eight-week Healthy Streets Foundations Course. The course helps enable participants to build skills and confidence to deliver a new approach to urban planning, prioritizing the diverse needs of their citizens. Maria is now part of a working group who meet once every six weeks and are in the early stages of working with community groups in the South Brighton Area on a Healthy Streets pilot.

Alongside the Kainga Ora project team, **Healthy Families Waitākere** are carrying out pilot initiatives in a Waterview housing development, including the distribution of HOP cards (bus travel) to residents and a Walking School Bus for 50 children.

Healthy Families Invercargill has continued to support the third school in its Active Travel Plan Pilot – Windsor North School. As with other schools involved in this pilot, a video designed by the students has been created, with the intention of creating awareness for safety concerns the students hold regarding travelling to and from school using active transport.

Rathgar Road in Henderson is connected to several primary and secondary schools and has a long history of congestion, alongside limited cycling options. Alongside the school cluster, community and council partners, **Healthy Families Waitākere** are exploring ways to increase active travel options in Henderson.