



COVID-19 FUNDING INFORMATION AND RESOURCES

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Funder	COVID-19 Fund Details	Total Fund	Funding Level	Fund Dates	Region	Website
Ministry for Ethnic Communities	<p>Ethnic Communities Development Fund</p> <p>Repurposed the Ethnic Communities Development Fund that helps ethnic communities better connect and take part in society. The standing priorities of the Fund have been suspended to instead support ethnic communities navigate the impacts of COVID-19.</p> <p>The \$4.2 million annual grant fund is now available for projects or activities that provide alternative means of staying socially connected, employment initiatives, and community resilience and recovery. Ethnic groups with legal status (including trusts and incorporated societies) can apply for over \$10,000 per application.</p>	\$4.2 million	\$10,000	Open now	National	Ministry for Ethnic Communities
Ministry of Culture and Heritage Cross sector initiatives –	<p>Cultural Sector Emergency Relief Fund</p> <p>Manatū Taonga to provide support for parts of the sector which are at risk of no longer operating viably but are not supported by funding from other sector agencies.</p>	\$35 million	Organisations up to \$300,000 and a one off \$5,000 grant for self-employed	Open	National	Cultural Sector Emergency Relief Fund

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3 funds \$150 million	<p>Te Tahua Whakakaha Cultural Sector Capability Fund</p> <p>The Capability Fund supports the cultural sector to adapt to the COVID-19 environment by funding projects that build skills and knowledge, and provide access to advice, services, tools and resources.</p>	\$20 million over two years	Seed: < \$20,000 Project: < \$400,000	Closed on 9 Feb 2021 Round 2 expected to open early 2022	National	Te Tahua Whakakaha Cultural Sector Capability Fund	
	<p>Te Tahua Whakahaumarū Creative Arts Recovery and Employment (CARE) Fund</p> <p>The Creative Arts Recovery and Employment (CARE) Fund will create employment and training opportunities, ensure vital skills, talent and creative infrastructure are not lost, and maintain and expand public access to creative and cultural experiences.</p>	\$70 million over three years				Te Tahua Whakahaumarū Creative Arts Recovery and Employment (CARE) Fund	
	<p>Ngā Pūninga Toi ā-Ahurea me ngā Kaupapa Cultural Installations and Events: Funding to create cultural installations and one-off events for people to experience in their everyday lives.</p>			\$1,000 - \$20,000	Round one Closed, round two due to open 2022	National	Ngā Pūninga Toi ā-Ahurea me ngā Kaupapa Cultural Installations and Events
	<p>Ngā Kaiwhakaoho Ahurea Cultural Activators: Funding cultural sector practitioners to collaborate with communities to tell their stories, build their creative skills and connect them with opportunities in the wider cultural sector.</p>	\$1.44m		Up to \$180,000 per organisation	Pilot rolled out 2021		Ngā Kaiwhakaoho Ahurea Cultural Activators Pilot

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	<p>Te Tahua Āki Auahatanga Cultural Sector Innovation Fund</p> <p>The Cultural Sector Innovation Fund will encourage innovative practice and partnership to change the way cultural content is made available to audiences, helping to create a more resilient and sustainable sector. This fund will include a strong focus on supporting projects that encourage the protection, transmission and retention of Mātauranga Māori.</p>	\$60 million over three years	<p>Seed funding up to \$20,000</p> <p>Project funding dependent on project reach and impact</p>	Will be 14 Te Urungi events across country where teams can develop and pitch their ideas for funding.		Te Tahua Āki Auahatanga Cultural Sector Innovation Fund
Ministry for Pacific Peoples	<p>The Pacific Aotearoa Community Outreach Fund - Omicron Response</p> <p>The Pacific Aotearoa Community Outreach Fund - Omicron response - has been established to support Pacific communities to prepare, respond and recover from the social and health impacts of the COVID-19 Omicron variant.</p>	Part of \$18million package of support	Up to \$100,000	21 March 2022 – 30 June 2022	National	https://www.mpp.govt.nz/funding/omicon-response/

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Te Puni Kōkiri, Te Arawhiti and Ministry of Health	<p>Māori Communities COVID-19 Fund</p> <p>The Government announced a \$120m Māori Communities COVID-19 Fund to fast-track vaccination efforts for Māori on 22 October 2021.</p> <p>Phase 1 (\$60m) of this Fund will provide direct financial support to iwi and Māori organisations, to accelerate vaccination uptake. Rapid vaccination uptake for Māori is our priority.</p> <p>Phase 2 (\$60m) will support Māori, iwi and communities to respond to the new COVID-19 protection framework.</p>	\$120 million (split across two phases)	Recommend that contact local Te Puni Kōkiri office to discuss individual proposals	Open for Phase 3 proposals	Priority regions – where vaccination rates are currently low for Maori - Whanganu, Lakes District, Northland and Tairāwhiti DHB areas.	Māori Communities COVID-19 Fund

Table 2: NZ Government – COVID-19 Financial Support



Support	Details	Website
COVID-19 Leave Support Scheme	If you need to self-isolate and you cannot work from home, your employer (or you, if you are self-employed) can apply for the COVID-19 Leave Support Scheme. The COVID-19 Leave Support is paid as a lump sum, calculated to cover 2 weeks. Your employer can re-apply for you if you still qualify after 2 weeks.	https://www.workandincome.govt.nz/covid-19/leave-support-scheme/index.html
COVID-19 Short-term Absence Payment	<p>If you're staying at home because you're waiting on a COVID-19 test result and you cannot work from home, your employer could apply for the COVID-19 Short-term Absence Payment. This payment is also available to self-employed people.</p> <p>A one-off payment of \$350 is available for each employee. Your employer can apply for it once for you in any 30-day period. However, they can apply for it again if a health official or doctor tells you to get another test.</p>	https://www.workandincome.govt.nz/covid-19/short-term-absence-payment/index.html
Redundancy Support	As the impact of COVID-19 increases, experiencing job loss could be a reality for many. If you've lost your job or you run a business and are faced with laying off your employees, there may be support options available to you. Work and Income offer a range of information and support to employees who are made redundant.	https://workandincome.govt.nz/eligibility/lost-job/made-redundant.html#null

Table 3 - COVID-19 Resources



Support	Details	Website
Action Station	Have developed a people-powered, crowdsourced community toolkit with tips and tools on how to organise your community in response to COVID-19.	Community Toolkit
Aktive	COVID-19 information including a COVID-19 Vaccination Toolkit	COVID-19 Vaccination Toolkit
Asian Family Services	Range of wellbeing and health topics videos as well as translated resources available in English, Chinese, Mandarin, Korean, Thai, Vietnamese, Japanese and Hindi.	Asian Family Services
Auckland City Mission	Foodbank Call or email for assistance.	Monday – Friday, 9.00am – 3.00pm Contact Ian 0508 CHANGE LIVES / (0508 242 643) / 027 477 1092 / ian@sacbf.org.nz 09 303 9200
Auckland Council	Food bank Aucklanders unable to afford groceries or in self-isolation with no access to other support networks can call. Callers must meet government criteria for assistance.	Call 0800 22 22 96 between 7am and 7pm, seven days a week.
Charities Services	Charities Services have provided a FAQ page on their website to help registered charities access information. It includes information around delaying your annual reporting or AGM, how to run an audit at this time, and what boards need to be thinking about.	https://www.charities.govt.nz/covid-19/
ComVoices	Have pulled together a collection of hauora/wellbeing resources shared and used by our members. To provide some help for staff, volunteers, managers, and organisations while we live through this time of uncertainty and anxiety in dealing with COVID-19.	https://comvoices.org.nz/hauora-wellbeing/
Diversity Counselling New Zealand (DCNZ)	Free Counselling/Psychology Service in response to COVID-19 for Migrants and Former Refugees. Diversity Counselling New Zealand (DCNZ) is offering free culturally responsive counselling and psychological services by ethnic, registered professional counsellors	Free Counselling

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	and clinical psychologists for migrants and former refugees from Asian, Middle Eastern, Latin American, African, and Continental European backgrounds (all age groups, all genders).	
Foodbank NZ	Foodbank Call or look at website for assistance.	022 045 8184 info@foodbank.co.nz www.foodbank.org.nz
Glimmers	Glimmers has developed a Toolkit for community groups and civil society organisations who want to review the recent past and consider the future.	The Glimmers Toolkit
HuiE!	COVID-19 information for community groups Results of the Sector Hauora Survey 2021	COVID-19 Info for community groups Sector Hauora Survey 2021
Ministry of Social Development	MSD has compiled some information together – COVID-19 Protection Framework Supporting Communities – COVID-19, this includes information on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supporting Auckland • MSD funded partners providing support services in the Auckland region • Other partners providing social services Other places to go for help	COVID-19 Protection Framework Supporting Community COVID-19
New Zealand Government	Unite against COVID-19 is the official NZ govt website with the latest information and updates on COVID-19. Includes information on the COVID-19 Protection Framework (traffic light settings)	https://covid19.govt.nz/
Paerangi	A place for whānau to quickly and easily find COVID-19 information and support services in Tāmaki Makaurau.	https://paerangi.nz/
Parry Field Lawyers	Legal Guide	COVID19 Legal Handbook

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Support	Details	Website
Salvation Army – Social Policy and Parliamentary Unit	COVID-19 Dashboards	COVID-19 Dashboards
Sport NZ / Ihi Aotearoa	Information on COVID-19 Protection Framework COVID-19 Vaccination Toolkit You can all access a wider range of resources and information to support your organisation’s planning and management, from contact tracing to hygiene and sanitation, to other useful guidance and documents.	SNZ COVID-19 Protection Framework
Takanini Sikh Gurudwara	Food bank Collections only. Mon–Fri, 4pm–6pm. Drive in entry gate and open your boot. Do not leave your car. Drive out through exit gate once boot has been loaded. Book your time slot online.	Book time slot online https://www.supremesikhsociety.co.nz/free-food-drive-booking/ 70 Takanini School Road, Takanini
Te Puni Kōkiri	One stop portal for Māori, includes all the information about COVID-19 and the vaccine rollout.	https://www.tpk.govt.nz/en
Te Rōpu Whakakaupapa Urutā	Te Rōpu Whakakaupapa Urutā, the national Māori pandemic group, is made up of some of the nation’s leading Māori medical and health experts. On this website you will find information and resources specifically for Māori about the COVID-19 pandemic.	Uruta.maori.nz
The Fono (Pasifika only)	Foodbank COVID-19 Pacific Family Package available call or email.	021956633 socialservices@thefono.org 0800 366 648 West Auckland
Wise Group	The Chief Executives of the Wise Group have sent a paper called <i>Please Press Pause</i> to Government about the importance of taking the time to reflect on some of the sector transformation that has been nimbly achieved over the COVID-19 crisis.	Please Press Pause

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VisionWest	Foodbank Call or email for assistance.	brook.turner@visionwest.org.nz 0800 887 667

Table 4 - COVID-19 Surveys



Organisation	Survey	Sector	Geographic Region	Survey overview
Belong Aotearoa	Migrant Experiences in the time of COVID Survey Report 2020	Migrant communities	Auckland	COVID-19 offered a pressing opportunity for Belong Aotearoa to further look at the plight of newcomer communities and amplify their voices. A first phase of our wider research, this report covers the findings from a “COVID-19 Impact on Migrant Communities in New Zealand Survey” we undertook in September 2020. It focuses on the responses of 160 people born overseas and currently living in Auckland, including recent migrants, sharing their lived experiences in the time of COVID.
HuiE! and Volunteering NZ	Hauora Survey 2021 Just before Aotearoa went into its second nationwide lockdown in August 2021, HuiE! and VNZ checked in with more than 600 tangata whenua, community and voluntary organisations to see how they were coping.	The tangata whenua, community and voluntary sector	National	A survey of Aotearoa New Zealand’s community sector on the impacts of COVID-19. Also included focus groups and fono. Over 600 respondents across the country. Follow up to the Time to Shine survey in 2020
Centre for Social Impact with Hui E! Community Aotearoa, Philanthropy New Zealand, and Volunteering New Zealand	Time to Shine - A survey of Aotearoa New Zealand’s community sector on the impacts of COVID-19 The survey dataset is available to access here .	The tangata whenua, community and voluntary sector	National	A survey of Aotearoa New Zealand’s community sector on the impacts of COVID-19. 1400 respondents across the country.

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Community Waitakere	COVID-19: Taking the temperature of the West Auckland Community and Social Service Sector	Community and SocialSector	West Auckland	<p>Responses from 41 different organisations representing over 20 different areas of work within the community and social service sector, with the top 4 being community development, education and training, family and whānau services, and sport and recreation.</p> <p>Online survey – August 2020.</p>
ComVoices	2020 State of the Sector Survey Snapshot	The tangata whenua, community and voluntary sector	National	<p>This 2020 State of the Sector Survey is the fourth biennial snapshot of the community and voluntary sector undertaken by ComVoices.</p> <p>The survey of 129 community and voluntary organisations shows that the sector continues to deal with increased demands, increasing costs and has been significantly impacted by COVID-19.</p>
Inspiring Communities	Shaping the Future	The tangata whenua, community and voluntary sector	National	<p>This report documents the insights, implications, and recommendations drawn from the nearly 70 interviews Inspiring Communities undertook in May and June 2020 – post-COVID-19 lockdown.</p>
Mātāwai	Funding for Change in Ōtepoti	Community and Social Sector	Ōtepoti	<p>Around 40 groups from the community and arts sector in Dunedin contributed their perspectives on funding strengths and challenges during the national Covid lockdown.</p> <p>Aim was to provide a channel for people on the ground to talk to funders about systemic and practical issues. We are humbled to have received such rich and thoughtful responses and hope the report holds those voices well.</p>

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Organisation	Survey	Sector	Geographic Region	Survey overview
Salvation Army - Social Policy and Parliamentary Unit (SPPU)	Social Impact Dashboard Series	The tangata whenua, community and voluntary sector	National	<p>To capture and quantify the social impacts of this pandemic and lockdown on the poorest and possibly most vulnerable New Zealanders. Have produced a fortnightly C19 Social Impact Dashboard to try and record the outcomes of the new social realities on our nation, but particularly for poorer, vulnerable Kiwi facing serious hardship in this new normal.</p> <p>Produced fortnightly – currently have 4 reports/dashboards available.</p>
Te Taumata Toi-a-iwi	COVID Survey	Arts sector	Auckland Region	Two surveys completed – April 2020 (330 respondents) and then again in Sept-Oct 2020 (146 respondents) on the impacts of COVID-19 on the Arts Sector.