

Safer Hastings

"An accredited Safer Community"

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A Safe Community is... a community where people can go about their daily activities in an environment without fear, risk of harm or injury.



Connected Agencies & Communities

Safer Hastings Workshop

A workshop was held in October for community plan leaders and Safer Hastings Coalition members. We identified opportunities to work together on current community safety issues and agreed to resurrect "focus groups" to progress our implementation plan.

Our "Older Persons" focus group has since met and will be holding a Positive Ageing Forum early 2019.

IronMāori Kaumātua Event

Safer Hastings and Safer Napier worked together to "talk safety" at the recent Iron Māori Kaumātua event. As part of our safety messaging we took referrals for free home fire safety visits and followed up with requests for information on community strength and balance programmes.

Partners: TPK, Safer Hastings, Safer Napier, ACC, FENZ, HHB, TKHA, Salvation Army, HBCDEM

"As we get older, the chances of having a fire in our home, and being injured or worse, increase dramatically."

Fire & Emergency NZ



Safe, Healthy Homes

Safer Hastings supporting White Ribbon

Our coalition came together at a public pledge signing event in the Hastings CBD with the White Ribbon riders. We got our Mayor onto a Harley-Davidson in support of the cause!

While in Hastings the riders visited St Matthew's and Hereworth School's, attended a hui organised by the HBDHB and had the opportunity to korero with whānau at the Camberley Community Centre.



"We had Police, we had Fire and Emergency NZ, we had ACC, we had Ministry of Social Development. We had all of our people there, and our community as well. It was a really positive, stand up strong message for our community to love and respect each other."

Hastings Mayor Sandra Hazlehurst

Quick Facts

July to October 2018



18,314

Meals on Wheels

were delivered by **62 volunteers** to Flaxmere, Hastings and Havelock North residents



Street-by-Street

6 BBQ's

were held in **Hastings streets**

27

Organisations

attended our Safer Hastings workshop

141

Home Fire Safety visits

resulting in 182 new fire alarms installed

Falls prevention in Camberley

128

kaumātua attended programmes led by Sports Hawke's Bay for the first time!

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Safe Roads

Cycle safety on the roads

Heretaunga Intermediate and Flaxmere College students recently got the chance to hop in the bus driver's seat for a first-hand view of how to stay safe on their bikes when cycling around town.

During the "Share the Road" workshops, a bus was parked at the school and bikes positioned around it to show the students the safe distance they should be riding so the driver can still see them.

They then got a chance to sit in the driver's seat for a first-hand experience of what the driver can and can't see. This helps them learn how to position themselves when riding on the road.

At the Heretaunga Intermediate workshop, Downer New Zealand also brought along a six-wheeler truck to support the road safety messaging.

Partners: iWay, Sport HB, HBRC Go Bus, Downer



Safer Hastings is a coalition made up of people from a diverse group of government and community agencies and a wide network of supporting organisations, all working together in a co-ordinated and collaborative way to improve community safety.



City Assist

12

Ambassadors currently make up the Hastings & Flaxmere City Assist crews

People in Hastings feel safe



City Assist turns 5!

The City Assist team has been patrolling the streets of Hastings since 2013, ready to step in to guide people, or alert the police if there's unsociable behaviour, as well as providing assistance to tourists and visitors.

In August last year following a year's trial, the Flaxmere City Assist service was made permanent. It was initially trialled in response to community concerns about safety in the town centre area and a desire to limit anti-social behaviour.

As well as deterring trouble and reporting suspicious behaviour the team members model positive behaviour, direct people to social agencies, act as an information service for residents and visitors, and connect with the suburbs' young people.



People are free from addiction-related harm

Gambling Harm Awareness Week 2018:

"Take time out from gambling, put time into whānau."

"Pause the Pokies" involved venues turning off their pokies for one hour to increase community awareness of gambling harm. This took place during hours that the machines were normally operational, and at a time agreed between the gaming venue and our team at Te Rangihaeata, so that we could visit the venue during that time to provide publicity.

We had six venues jump on board here in Hastings. A fantastic result, and we would like to acknowledge

those venues and pokie trusts around the country who supported this initiative in recognition of this kaupapa.

Check out the video wrap up of what we got up to during the Pause the Pokies campaign on Gambling Harm Awareness Week. You can find it under our news section on our website www.gamblinghb.co.nz.

Tama Hutana, Te Rangihaeata Oranga Trust

Our focus areas



TARGET ENVIRONMENTS

Home, road, public spaces



TARGET GROUPS

Youth, older people, low income families



CONTRIBUTING FACTORS

Alcohol, drugs & gambling addictions

How you can be involved

- Attend community workshops
- Join our information network to receive updates and newsletters
- Update Safer Hastings with your activities
- Work on a collaborative project aimed to address a specific issue.

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