



MULTICULTURAL COUNCIL
RANGITĪKEI/WHANGANUI
HELPING NEWCOMERS FEEL AT HOME

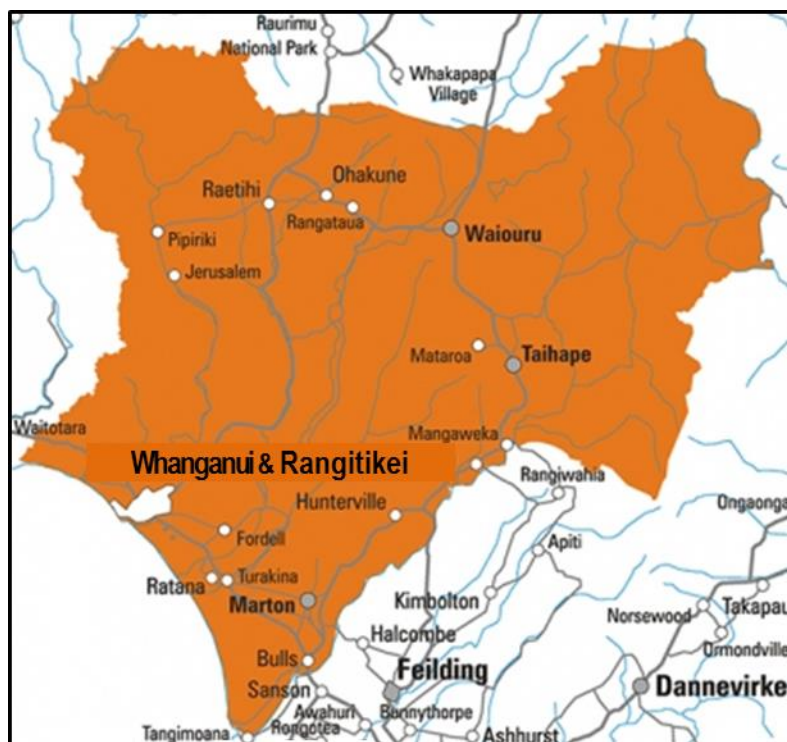
MULTICULTURAL COUNCIL OF
RANGITĪKEI/WHANGANUI INC

Strategic Plan

2021/24

ABOUT US

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Mission

Our mission is to promote cultural awareness

Vision

Our vision is to bring about cultural understanding and togetherness

Guiding Principles

We support **E Tu Whanau** as guiding principles

Introduction

This year the Multicultural Council of Rangitīkei/Whanganui Inc celebrates 18 years of achievement as a champion of multiculturalism and harmonious race relations in our region. From small beginnings in 2003, we have steadfastly served our communities' migrants and newcomers: seniors, women, youth and those in business.

In 2021/22 we have been fortunate to receive funding from the Ministry of Social Development for capability and resilience building. This adds to the funding gratefully received in current and past years from the NZ Lottery Grants Board, Office of Ethnic Communities, J R McKenzie Trust, Whanganui District Council, and Whanganui Community Foundation for our various projects, events and activities.

We sustain our funding by demonstrating our ability to deliver.

We have developed this strategic plan for 2021/24, through which we will continue to pursue our vision of a multicultural region where all people live together safely and in harmony. We do this through our objectives which support

Unity

Equality

Collaboration

Manaakitanga/Nurturing Relationships

Te Tiriti

Sustainability

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Objectives

Unity

To promote understanding and preserve ethnic customs, languages, religions, sports and cultures

To promote unity in our communities by initiating and supporting events and activities which provide space for ethnic customs, languages, faiths, sports and cultures to flourish. To seek opportunities to offer more such spaces and include more of our community.

We will promote these opportunities through our newsletter, website, social media pages, and word-of-mouth through our networks.

Equality

To support the rights of ethnic individuals and groups to enjoy equal opportunities

To be a recognised contact point for any migrants or newcomers seeking advocacy regarding their right to be treated fairly and enjoy equal opportunities to pursue their interests, culture and employment.

We will promote this service through our newsletter, website, social media pages, and by word-of-mouth through our networks.

We will make submissions to local and central government on policy, practice and legislation as appropriate. We will endorse any such submissions made by the New Zealand Federation of Multicultural Councils.

Collaboration

To provide a forum for ethnic groups to share experiences, friendships and develop relationships

We will develop relationships with organisations with which we share common objectives. While we may not deliver shared programmes and projects, through our affiliation with them we will support their goals.

We will continue to work with our existing strategic partners: Welcoming Communities, Newcomers Network, cultural societies/organisations, Whanganui District Council, NZ Police and Rangitikei communities.

We will grow the number of such partnerships and relationships with organisations which share our objectives in order to maximise our impact.

We will attend other organisations' hui and conferences as appropriate to expand our networks and connections.

We will continue to strengthen the reciprocal support between the New Zealand Federation of Multicultural Councils, other Regional Multicultural Councils and ourselves.

Manaakitanga/Nurturing Relationships

To provide assistance and orientation for those who are newcomers to the community

We will continue to offer practical assistance – accompanying people on visits to medical centre, bank; offering tuition in technology, English language – and helping them know their rights.

Three focus areas include: women, elderly and youth.

We will learn who the affiliate/partner organisations are in our region which have social workers who specialise in working with migrant/refugee newcomers.

We will continue to elicit feedback from our networks as to how MCRW can best help our communities.

Te Tiriti

To raise consciousness among ethnic groups regarding the special status of Māori as Tangata Whenua (people of the land) under Te Tiriti

We will continue to refer to and include local Iwi on matters of tikanga and ask advice of kaumatua.

We include tikanga in all events and activities as appropriate.

Sustainability

To build capacity within a sustainable funding model to ensure ongoing provision of our services and activities

Kaitiakitanga

To respect and protect our natural environment at all times, in all we do

Partners & Sponsors

Our thanks to:



**MINISTRY OF SOCIAL
DEVELOPMENT**
TE MANATŪ WHAKAHIATO ORA



**WHANGANUI
DISTRICT COUNCIL**
Te Kaunihera a Rohe o Whanganui



Community Partnerships



Race Unity Day celebrations 2021