



CHiLD POVERTY ACTION GROUP

Overcoming child poverty - is the right and compassionate thing to do

Kia ora

I hope you are keeping warm on this sunny but cold winters day.

It is days like these that remind me that there are children in our country that will be spending tonight cold and hungry. We don't have to accept that.

Today as a supporter of Child Poverty Action Group I wanted to ask you a couple of things.

Firstly, Please consider [joining as a member](#) (or rejoining if your membership has lapsed) the Child Poverty Action Group. Its a nominal \$10 but what it represents is far greater.

[Yes, I would like to join the Child Poverty Action Group](#)

As a member and supporter of Child Poverty Action Group you say to the child in poverty I **see** you, I **hear you** and I will help **give voice to your plight**.

We were this voice 30 years ago when we got New Zealand to acknowledge child poverty existed right here in our country.

Today we continue to be the voice of research, education and agitation on child poverty. We do it for the child in emergency housing, the school kid working to pay the electricity bill and the caregiver of a disabled child struggling below the poverty line.

You help show Aotearoa that this is unacceptable and that the end of child poverty in Aotearoa is possible.

, today I'm asking you to consider adding your name to this group of individuals all joined by a passion to change the world for a child growing up in Aotearoa.

[\\$10 for CPAG membership](#)

The second piece of news I want to share with you is that *CPAG will be meeting face to face with the Minister for Child Poverty Reduction Minister Louise Upston in the coming weeks.* And I would like your input.

This meeting is the result of the [open letter](#) you supported. Together we called on the government to meet with the organisations on the frontline of child poverty. A lot has happened since the letter and we have campaigned in other ways but this is still an important way to be that voice.

So what would you like me to say to the Minister of Child Poverty Reduction?

[Please give this message to the Minister of Child Poverty Reduction](#)

One thing I will be doing is handing over the [CPAG policy briefs](#). These policy briefs are a roadmap across things like food, housing, health, and education- to ensure every child gets the basics.

This amazing work has been carried out pro bono by CPAG members and supporters - a group of highly regarded academics, researchers, policy makers and community activists.

We will be reminding the Minister of the target to half child poverty by 2028 under the Child Poverty Reduction Act. We need to keep monitoring the numbers and stay accountable. [Your thoughts on how we present this to the Minister are welcome.](#)

And just back to joining as a member. The Annual General Meeting is coming up in a couple of weeks on 24th July here in Auckland.

As an incorporated society the AGM is where we present our accounts and report back to our members on the years highlights of research, education and advocacy. Joining as a member tells us you support this work.

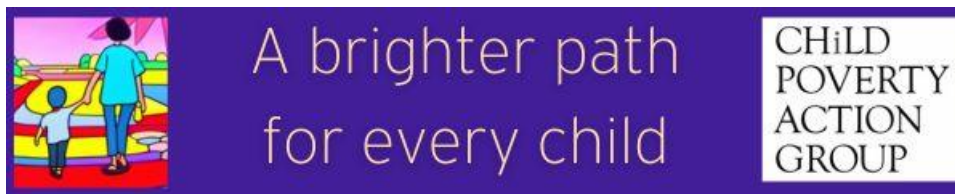
Overcoming child poverty is the right and compassionate thing to do. I am grateful and thankful for your continued support.

Ngā mihi nui,

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Executive Officer

P.S With you, we will see the end of child poverty in Aotearoa. Thank you for your commitment to this mahi. Please take a couple of minutes now to [join as a member on this link](#). or [share your thoughts](#) on what we should focus on when we meet the Minister of Child Poverty Reduction.

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