Kia Ora Koutou,

Here is this week's news Round Up from me. Please share this with your community and networks.

1. Anniversary Events:

Flood anniversary events took place over the Auckland Anniversary weekend and continue. We have received some lovely photos and stories that will be shared in the Recovery Office Newsletter.

2. Categorisation Registration

We sent out the first tranche of letters to try and re-engage people in the registration process – these people were contacted as part of our initial 7000. We will keep this rolling until end of February to give as many as possible the opportunity to opt into the categorisation process. We have contacted all red and yellow-placarded properties.

3. Q&As from 18 December Public Webinar:

Our Team has now worked through over 270 questions submitted to <u>webinar@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz</u> or the live webinar Q&A. Please see attached for the Q&A document...it's 30 pages! (<u>Here's the webinar recording</u>)

4. The Community Wellbeing Survey:

- This research is being conducted by The Mental Health Foundation. It is just one source of information to form TMRO wellbeing priorities for the Auckland community. The main aim of the Mental Health Foundation research is to gain insight into the wellbeing of communities affected by the North Island Weather Events.
- Hard copies of the wellbeing survey are available, please let me know if you need copies and I will get them out to you. The aim is for people to complete it individually, using the Freepost option to submit their responses.
- For the online survey, please share <u>https://www.research.net/r/wellbeing-2023</u> or the SIL Research facebook post can also be shared <u>SIL Research - * Opportunity to</u> <u>Contribute to Our... | Facebook.</u>
- We have until the end of February to receive the information via the survey.

5. "Weathering The Storm" Workshops

- Find out more about course content and register for upcoming dates in Mangere and Mt Roskill on the <u>Blueprint website</u>.
- Funding has been allocated by Te Whatu Ora for 5 further workshops in Tāmaki Makaurau and they would like our advice on where to place them. Please send me your suggestions of any other areas or community groups that would benefit from the workshop.
- If anyone requires access support (including transport) to attend these courses, we believe there is a limited flexi fund available, so please let me know.
- There are also free <u>MH101</u> and <u>Addiction101</u> courses for anyone who is interested.

6. Albert-Eden Local Board Grants:

• The Albert-Eden Local Board Accommodation fund opens 22 January - 22 March 2024. Please check the link below to find out more about the criteria and to see the funding application link.

<u>https://www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz/grants-community-support-</u> <u>housing/grants/local-board-grants/albert-eden-local-board-grants/Pages/grant-</u> <u>details.aspx?itemID=5</u>

- The Albert Eden Local Grant opens 29^h January. This is for grants from \$3000 to \$8000. Please click here to see more details <u>https://www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz/grants-community-support-housing/grants/local-board-grants/albert-eden-local-board-grants/Pages/grant-details.aspx?itemID=3</u>
- Neighbours Day Grants Albert-Eden Local Board (1-31 March 2024): Neighbours Day Grants are coming up in the Albert-Eden Local Board area. Details are here: <u>https://www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz/grants-community-support-</u> <u>housing/grants/grants-calendar/Pages/grant-details.aspx?itemID=83</u>

7. Navigator Service:

you can speak to one of our storm recovery navigators one-on-one about your situation. Our navigators are your first port of call. Whether you have questions about decisions being made about your home, your insurance situation, accessing financial assistance, or need support to deal with the emotional and mental toll, our navigators are here to connect you to the resources and information you need to navigate your way through the coming months and beyond.

Please spread the word if you know of any friends, family or whanau who may benefit from this service, **see attached flyer.**

Alternatively you can email <u>navigators@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz</u> to register with the Navigator Service.

8. Recovery e-newsletter:

You can sign up here: <u>Stay up to date with Auckland Council's Recovery e-newsletter | Sign</u> <u>up now - OurAuckland</u>

- 9. Recovery FAQs: ourauckland.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz/news/2023/08/recovery-faqs/
- **10.** The Storm Recovery Document Library: <u>Storm recovery documents</u> (aucklandcouncil.govt.nz)

11. Our Auckland:

The Our Auckland website has all our Recovery Office information to date under the Recovery tab, including Resident Group Grants launch, property assessment & categorisation, Making Space for Water, Navigator support and drop-ins etc. Recovery - OurAuckland (aucklandcouncil.govt.nz)

Ngā mihi |Kind regards

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Tāmaki Makaurau Recovery Office is coordinating the recovery efforts on behalf of the Auckland Council Group, New Zealand government and partners, following the extreme weather events in early 2023.

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