



Dear Denise,

In this edition of your *Building Hope* newsletter we share stories of transformation and hope.

You can read how homelessness is affecting people within our communities. You'll hear first-hand from Adrian, who found himself without a home and living in his van at the age of 70.

You can also hear from Visionwest staff member Rayanna, who shares what inspires her about her role and how lives are transformed by the Whānau Centre team as they journey alongside whānau.

Ngā mihi nui

Sarah and the team at Visionwest

PS If you, or someone you know, needs support, Visionwest is here to help, please get in touch by phoning 0800 990 026 or emailing whanaucentre@visionwest.org.nz



For much of his life, Adrian was a successful businessman. But by the age of 70, he'd lost his home and was sleeping rough, living in an old van parked under trees in a local park.

[READ ADRIAN'S STORY](#)



Many of us will have noticed people sleeping rough in our communities - curled up under a blanket, stretched out in a car, or living in a tent tucked into the far corner of a park.

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"I've been at Visionwest for almost eight years. I have a passion for people and social justice and love to journey alongside people, supporting them to thrive, so the role here was a perfect fit for me."

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