

# Māori Communities COVID-19 Fund – Phases 1, 2 & 3 – weekly update as at March 25 2022

**Fund overview (Phases 1,2 & 3)**

**\$160.05m** Total fund size across three phases

**\$101.58m** Total approved by Ministers  
 ↑ \$2.51m from last report  
**82 proposals with 121 contracts to date**

Of which:

**\$92.48m** Contracted with providers  
 ↑ \$1.00m from last report  
**54 active contracts worth \$60.98m**  
**57 completed contracts worth \$31.50m**

**10 approved proposals yet to have signed contracts worth \$9.10m**

**Phase 3 progress**

**\$2.54m** Approved by Omicron Approval Panel (OAP)  
**3 proposals**

Of which:

**\$0.95m** Funding currently under contract with providers  
**1 contract**

**1 proposal (tranche 2) pending OAP approval worth \$0.54m**

**Phase 2 progress**

**\$26.99m** Approved by Ministers  
 No change from last report  
**33 proposals**

Of which:

**\$19.48m** Funding currently under contract with providers  
 ↑ \$0.08m from last report  
**25 contracts**

**13 proposals (tranche 4) pending Ministerial approval worth \$10.90m**

**Phase 1 progress**

**\$72.08m** Approved by Ministers and fully contracted  
 No change from last report  
**46 proposals with 85 contracts (8 tranches)**

Of which:

**\$63.23m** Paid to providers  
 ↑ \$4.23m from last report  
**85 contracts**

- Ministerial and Agency weekly decisions update**
- Phase 2 Tranche 3: Approvals received from all Ministers.
  - Phase 2 Tranche 4: Signed copies of approvals received from three Ministers, one approval still to come.
  - Mauru Charitable Trust has withdrawn their proposal worth \$0.150m
  - Phase 3 Tranche 2: One proposal was submitted to the Omicron Approval Panel on 25 March worth \$0.541m.

- MCCF Communications update**
- Communications plan presented for consideration by the MCCF programme board.
  - Resources for kaitono and kaimahi related to information on alternative accommodation, welfare and RATs are being developed.
  - Minister Dashboard reports uploaded to the MCCF web page.



Above: The Pango Productions team helped get trusted information out to the community by assisting with the filming of events like the Super Saturday Vaxathon.  
 Photo credit: New Zealand Herald



Above and below: Te Ranga Tupua mobile vaccination teams at work.  
 Photo credit: Whanganui Chronicle (above) RNZ (below)



## Provider Spotlight: Pango Productions (Whiti Mai) – Phase 1

MCCF has contracted and fully paid \$1.0m in funding to Pango Productions to help accelerate vaccination uptake in Tairāwhiti as part of the COVID-19 response.

The Tairāwhiti region includes pockets of geographically isolated areas, rurally dispersed communities, low socio-economic areas that are heavily influenced by gangs, and vast areas of sparsely populated hill country and coastlines.

Pango Productions encouraged the community to get vaccinated by taking trusted information about the COVID-19 vaccine to places that whānau live, learn, work and play. 21 sports clubs were engaged to assist with the delivery of vaccination events and initiatives were offered to encourage whānau to get vaccinated.

Pango Productions developed video's showing locals how to get vaccinated and how to download a vaccine pass. They conducted radio interviews with trusted community leaders to spread COVID-19 messaging. They also held community steering groups and weekly hui to provide a platform for the community to voice their concerns and allow robust discussions to take place. This personal approach and strong relationships in the community were key to the initiative's success.

The pūtea provided by the MCCF to Pango Productions helped engage and provide trusted information on vaccinations to over 1,000 whānau in Tairāwhiti.

## Te Ranga Tupua – approved Phase 2 proposal

Ministers have approved this proposal worth \$1.828m to enable activities that will support and protect approximately 40,000 Māori within the Whanganui, Rangitikei, Ruapehu and South Taranaki districts.

The pūtea provided by the MCCF to Te Ranga Tupua will ensure they can continue supporting future vaccination activities and set up community hubs to support whānau needs in the community.

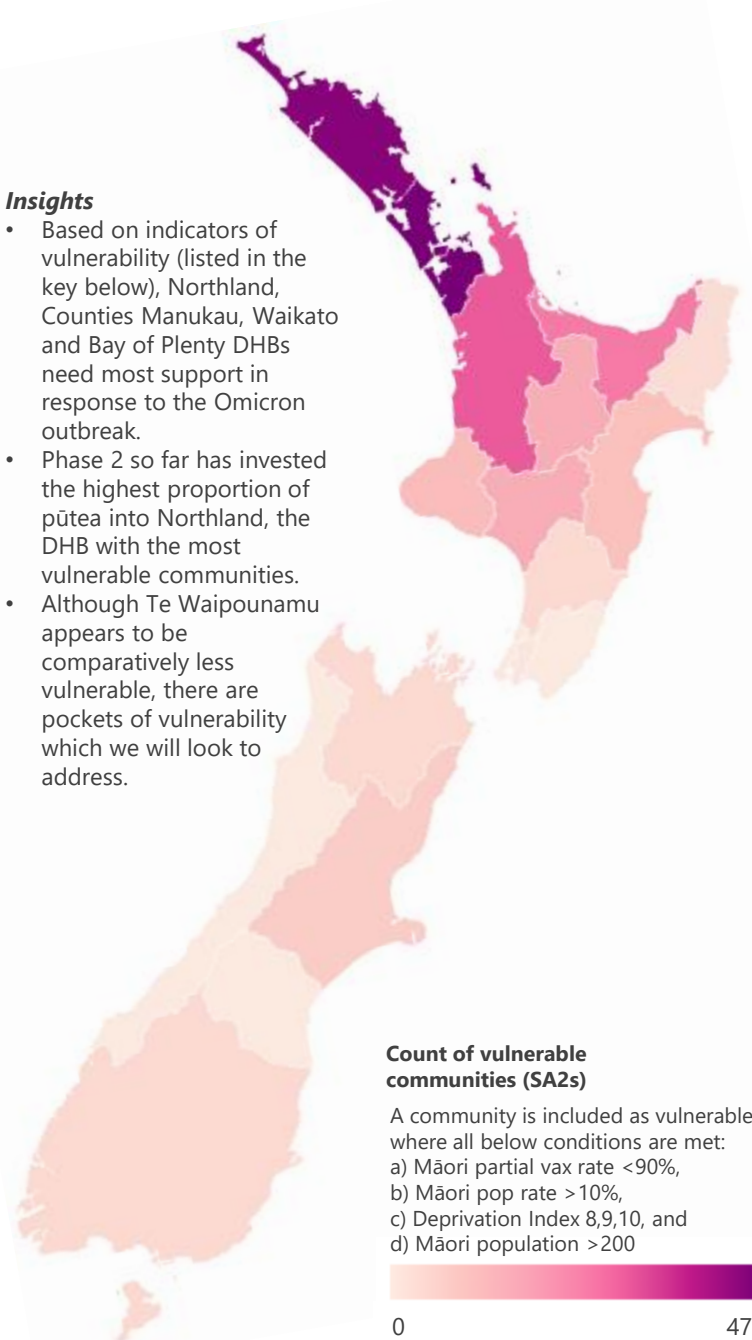
The community hubs will enable a whole of rohe approach and ensure whānau who live in rural and remote locations needs are being met. The hubs will be led by kaimahi who are connected and can ensure whānau receive the relevant support they need to build long-term resilience. All of this will be coordinated by a central group that will connect intelligence, logistics and administration to support central distribution and the rural hubs.

# Māori Communities COVID-19 Fund – Phases 1, 2 & 3 – Vulnerability index and DHB investment

**Vulnerable communities by DHB Area March 22<sup>nd</sup>**

**Insights**

- Based on indicators of vulnerability (listed in the key below), Northland, Counties Manukau, Waikato and Bay of Plenty DHBs need most support in response to the Omicron outbreak.
- Phase 2 so far has invested the highest proportion of pūtea into Northland, the DHB with the most vulnerable communities.
- Although Te Waipounamu appears to be comparatively less vulnerable, there are pockets of vulnerability which we will look to address.



**Count of vulnerable communities (SA2s)**

A community is included as vulnerable where all below conditions are met:  
 a) Māori partial vax rate <90%,  
 b) Māori pop rate >10%,  
 c) Deprivation Index 8,9,10, and  
 d) Māori population >200



**Māori Vaccination Data and MCCF Summary Table**

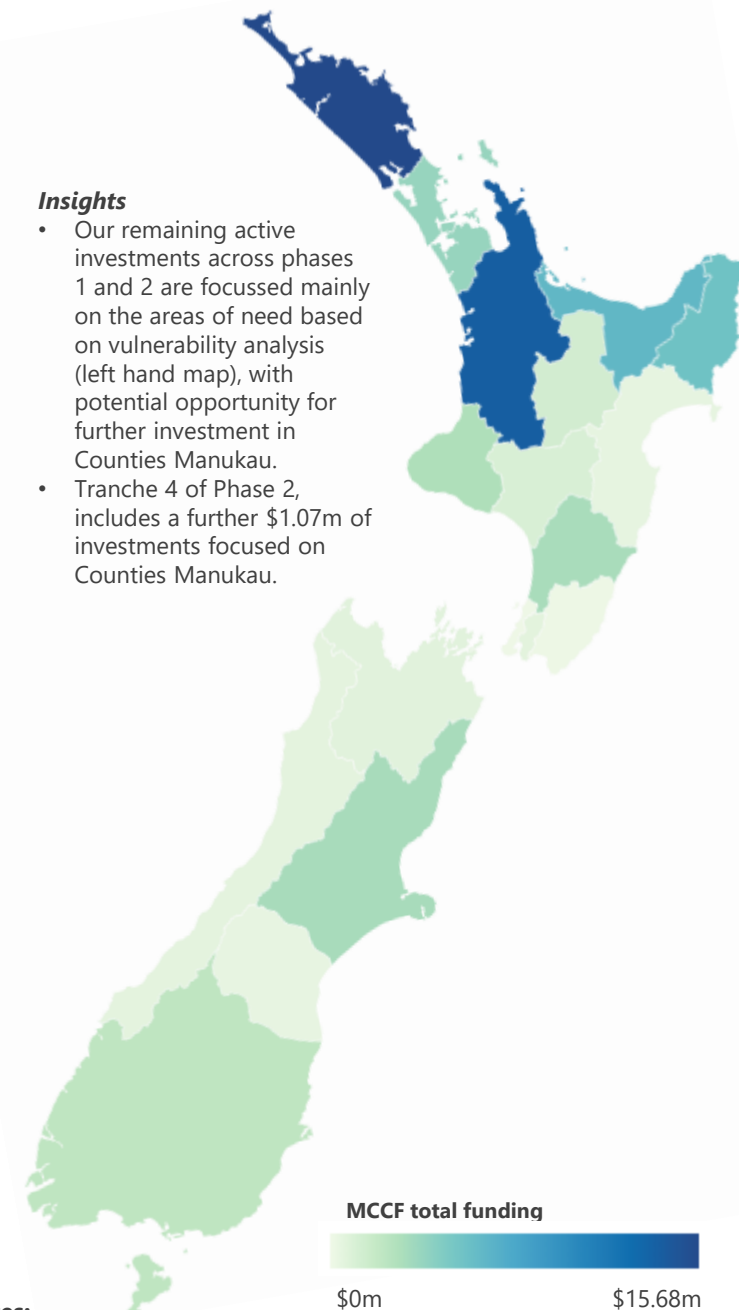
DHB Area	Dose 1 / Dose 2 %	Vulnerable communities coverage*	MCCF Phase 1 Investment	MCCF Phase 2 Investment Approved \$m	MCCF Phase 3 Investment Approved \$m	Approved, not yet expired \$m
Northland	87% / 83%	45 of 45	8.17	7.79	2.54	15.68
Auckland Metro	92% / 89%	47 of 47	5.35	0.66	0.00	3.86
Waikato	91% / 88%	20 of 30	15.1	1.04	0.00	13.87
Lakes	90% / 87%	15 of 15	6.49	0.2	0.00	3.79
Bay of Plenty	88% / 84%	23 of 25	3.76	4.5	0.00	6.43
Tairāwhiti	91% / 87%	3 of 3	6.84	4.84	0.00	5.53
Taranaki	91% / 88%	11 of 11	4.31	0.87	0.00	3.84
Hawkes Bay	91% / 88%	8 of 10	2.51	0.35	0.00	0.35
MidCentral	95% / 92%	4 of 4	2.72	0.36	0.00	3.08
Whanganui	88% / 85%	14 of 15	2.84	1.00	0.00	3.84
Capital and Coast	96% / 94%	0 of 0	0.93	0.00	0.00	0.00
Hutt Valley	94% / 91%	1 of 1	0.52	0.00	0.00	0.52
Wairarapa	94% / 90%	0 of 0	0.43	0.04	0.00	0.04
Nelson Marlborough	91% / 88%	4 of 4	0.54	0.44	0.00	0.58
West Coast	90% / 87%	0 of 0	0.11	0.46	0.00	0.46
Canterbury	96% / 94%	7 of 7	0.99	3.15	0.00	3.15
South Canterbury	93% / 90%	0 of 0	0.09	0.27	0.00	0.31
Southern	94% / 91%	4 of 4	1.56	1.04	0.00	2.14
National Coverage	-	-	8.82	0.00	0.00	2.62
<b>Total</b>	<b>91% / 88%</b>	<b>206 of 221</b>	<b>\$72.08m</b>	<b>\$26.99m</b>	<b>\$2.54m</b>	<b>\$70.08m</b>

\*this column indicates the number of vulnerable communities within each DHB area, and the number where MCCF investments are approved and not yet expired.

**Approved, not yet expired MCCF investments by DHB Area March 24<sup>th</sup>**

**Insights**

- Our remaining active investments across phases 1 and 2 are focussed mainly on the areas of need based on vulnerability analysis (left hand map), with potential opportunity for further investment in Counties Manukau.
- Tranche 4 of Phase 2, includes a further \$1.07m of investments focused on Counties Manukau.



**Notes:**

- 'Approved, not yet expired' investments include all approved investments yet to reach the contract end date
- Dollar figures are amounts approved or contracted through MCCF
- Auckland DHBs are aggregated
- Funding share for proposals covering multiple DHBs is based on vaccination rates, and should be considered an estimate
- Vaccination data = 23 March, rate of change since 16 March
- All vaccination rate data sourced from daily MOH updates
- 'Overseas / Unknown' included in total vaccination percentages

