Overview of investment approach & activities

Target population: Whānau and families in Te Waipounamu

Investment update (as at 30 June 2017)

Commissioning Pipeline
Te Pūtahitanga o Te Waipounamu has invested in 121 whānau-developed initiatives through Waves 1-6 of the Commissioning Pipeline. These focus on a range of outcomes, from building rangatahi confidence to take on leadership opportunities to providing a clear pathway to progress from a labourer to skilled tradesperson. From Wave 6 there were 28 commissioned initiatives. While in different stages of delivery, initiatives in Q4 of FY16/17 engaged approx. 483 whānau (1,715 individuals).

Whānau Capability Development
The first of 4 scheduled Rangatahi Wānanga was held in May 2017 attended by 17 participants. The focus was on leadership and what skills/attributes are necessary for successful leadership. 3 further wānanga are scheduled for August to October 2017. Outcomes over the course of the 4 wānanga that will inform progression and leadership.

Whānau enhancement
Te Pūtahitanga o Te Waipounamu supports whānau through a workforce of 57 Navigator FTEs. This includes five Navigators-Resilience (supporting whānau in recovery from earthquakes) and nine Navigator-Tīna (helping whānau achieve health and wellbeing goals).

Progress against performance measures

Notes: This is not a comprehensive list of Te Pūtahitanga o Te Waipounamu contribution to the Whānau Ora outcomes.

Case Study - Whānau experience
A single mother and her two year old were sharing a room at her mother’s house which was cold and damp, affecting the daughter’s asthma. Mum was on a sole parent benefit and had aspirations of studying. With the help of a Navigator, Mum completed applications for housing support, and was granted a Ngāi Tahu home as temporary emergency accommodation. Once a HNZ home was offered, the Navigator advocated for improvements to ensure the house was suitable for her daughter’s condition. With support from their Navigator, Mum is now studying social work and was able to access a Māori Scholarship to pay fees and travel costs for Wellington based courses.

Investment from other agencies
- Te Pūtahitanga, Tū Pono: Te Mana Kaha o Te Whānau have been working with a number of government agencies, leveraging their position in the community to support Integrated Service Response activities with Police, Corrections, Ministry of Social Development and Ministry of Justice. This initiative aims to address family violence and identify service delivery gaps. As a result, Justice has become a contributor to the Whānau Ora Outcomes Framework.
- In addition, Te Pūtahitanga, Te Rūnanga o Ngāi Tahu, Kaikōura District Council and Te Puni Kokiri has worked in partnership with the Canterbury District Health Board and Civil Defence to support Kaikōura disaster relief.