



## Greetings -Tēnā koe! Haere mai!

Welcome to the final Settlement Support Newsletter from Settlement Support Waitakere (SSW) for 2011. This issue unveils a new look and format which we hope you'll enjoy – let us know what you think!

SSW provides free referrals to services to assist with your settlement in West Auckland. We hope you will find this newsletter both interesting and useful. It includes up to date information and upcoming events. Please contact SSW if you have any inquiries about settling in West Auckland.



SSW is located at the Waitakere Community Resource Centre, **8 Ratanui Street, Henderson** (9:30am to 4:00pm Mon to Thurs). All drop-in clients are welcome but we recommend you make an appointment by emailing us at [ssnzwaitakere@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz](mailto:ssnzwaitakere@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz) or calling us on **09 8374273**.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year 2012!

We hope you have a cheerful holiday season!

**Ayumi Shibata**, Coordinator and  
**Alice Shu**, Administrator

### **FREE information morning on "Safety Tips and Health Services in New Zealand"**

(hosted by Settlement Support Waitakere)

**Date / time: Tuesday 13 December 2011**  
(10.00am – 12.00 noon)

**Venue: New Lynn Library meeting room**  
3 Memorial Drive, New Lynn

**Booking is essential, phone 8374273 or email [ssnzwaitakere@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz](mailto:ssnzwaitakere@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz)** to register. Morning tea is provided. Presentations are in English and Mandarin.

1 December, 2011

## WELLBEING SUMMIT 2011

**Where: Kelston Community Centre**  
**When : 9 December 2011 (9am-3pm)**  
**Cost : Free**

### To Collaboration and Beyond

#### **A Community of Action**

A day of exploring, listening, talking, debating and coming together.

Who will be there:

- Community workers
- Local government representatives
- Central government representatives
- Local residents
- Representatives from locally based projects
- Local organisations

### HEAR FROM :

New and exciting community projects including

- **Diverse Communities Sports Programme**
- **Pare Post a community newspaper - Barb Cooper**
- **Manurewa Parent Hub - Linda Biggs**

### BE PART OF:

**Open space workshops - Taking the time to explore what matters to you**

### NEW CALLS 2 ACTION :

We hope at the summit new Calls to Action will evolve from workshops run throughout the day

#### **Current Calls 2 Action**

- **Active** • **Housing** • **Food Security**
- **Strong local economies**
- **Early Childhood Education**

WELLBEING SUMMIT 2011 RSVP

to: [mandy@communitywaitakere.org.nz](mailto:mandy@communitywaitakere.org.nz)

Please advise any dietary and/or other requirements.

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## What's On?

### » Kids Gift Making

Corban Estate Arts Centre, Henderson

**Saturday 3 December 2011**

Two sessions:

**9am-11.30 am or 12:30 -3:30pm**



A **FREE** event for children. All children from West Auckland are invited to make special Christmas gifts for their families. Children must be registered and accompanied by an adult.

To register your child:

visit: [www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz](http://www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz) or phone

8390400 to complete the registration form.

**TO VOLUNTEER OR DONATE ITEMS** phone **Ellis** (Gift making coordinator) phone 8384455 ext 208 or email [elislvestrees@hotmail.com](mailto:elislvestrees@hotmail.com)

### » Cooking & Friendship

691A Mt Albert Road, Royal Oak

**Saturday 10 December 2011**

**10am – 1pm**

With Cooking & Friendship we create a caring and supportive environment in which we learn to understand and embrace cultural diversity with the aim to help and empower all women ...

THIS IS FUNDED BY THE ANGLICAN TRUST FOR WOMEN AND CHILDREN.

THERE IS **NO CHARGE** TO PARTICIPANTS.  
*Any Koha/Donation is much appreciated.*

**Professional Childcare available NO CHARGE**

**Please reply** if you are attending, as registration is a must and the limit is 25: [sadia.ali56@yahoo.com](mailto:sadia.ali56@yahoo.com) or phone 6296032 (evenings) or txt 0210 2457975

### » Free Job Search Workshop

by Auckland Regional Migrant Services

Waitakere Community Resource Centre  
8 Ratanui Street, Henderson

**Thursday 15 December 2011**

**9:30am – 2:30pm**

To register please contact reception at **6252440** or email at [reception@arms-mrc.org.nz](mailto:reception@arms-mrc.org.nz) (**Note: eligibility criteria apply**)

### » Treaty Facilitator Training

ARMS, Three Kings Plaza, 532 Mt Albert Rd.

**Saturday 3 & 17 December 2011**

The Auckland Regional Migrant Services is offering a **FREE** course for community facilitators and workers who want to help their communities understand the relevance of the Treaty of Waitangi. To apply please call reception on 6252440 or email **Sally** on: [sallyc@arms-mrc.org.nz](mailto:sallyc@arms-mrc.org.nz) to obtain a nomination form. Information can be found on the NZDAP webpage: <http://www.hrc.co.nz/race-relations/te-ngira-the-nz-diversity-action-programme/participants-2011/treaty-education-for-migrants-group/>

### Summer staff leave

Summer is a time when many businesses either close down or manage on skeleton staffing arrangements so that staff can spend Christmas and the New Year celebrations with family and friends. During this period staff often take annual leave, as well enjoying public holidays.

If you are in business, now is the time to think about how your business is going to manage staff holiday entitlements and pay. For more information and help visit the Department of Labour's website:

[www.dol.govt.nz/infozone/businessessentials](http://www.dol.govt.nz/infozone/businessessentials)

### Interpreting New Zealand

Interpreting Fact Sheets explain the difference between trained interpreters and untrained interpreters as well as providing non-English speakers with information regarding their rights to have access to an Interpreter. It can be used as a practical tool to ask for an interpreter when needed. The fact sheets are available as a downloadable PDF in 14 languages. <http://www.interpret.org.nz/links/resources/>

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## Muslim leaders receive recognition for role in family violence prevention

Steering group member for SS Waitakere, *Hassan Hosseini*, was recently acknowledged at a celebration held as part of Islam Awareness week for his role in family violence prevention and supporting the rights of Muslim women.

Hosted by Auckland Council, the Ministry of Social Development's Settling-in Family and Community Services and the New Zealand Police, four Muslim leaders were presented with awards to acknowledge their family violence prevention work in the community.

All four recipients have been involved in initiatives for early intervention family violence programmes for ethnic, Muslim and refugee communities for more than ten years. They also work in areas of health promotion, youth issues, education, employment, positive parenting and other settlement issues in the refugee sector.

*Hassan Hosseini*, who was presented with his certificate by Chair of the Henderson-Massey Local Board, *Vanessa Neeson*, is from Iran and manages the New Zealand Ethnic Social Services organisation, based in Te Atatu.

Epsom resident *Hashem Slaimankhel* trained as a doctor in Afghanistan and works for the Auckland District Health Board as a refugee health worker. He is currently chairman of the Umma Trust and the Afghan Association of New Zealand.

Blockhouse Bay resident *Mahad Warsame* is from Somalia and also works as a refugee health worker for Auckland District Health Board. He is chair of the Auckland Somali Community Association.

*Arif Saeid* resides in Lynfield and trained as a doctor in Afghanistan. He works as the community link manager for Refugees as Survivors New Zealand.



**(As pictured above-** from left to right: *Hashem Slaimankhel*, chairman of the Umma Trust and the Afghan Association of New Zealand, *Hassan Hosseini* from New Zealand Ethnic Social Services Trust, *Arif Saeid* from Refugees as Survivors New Zealand and *Mahad Warsame*, chair of the Auckland Somali Community Association

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