



The Hurunui District Council has joined 28 other councils throughout Aotearoa and more than 300 councils worldwide in implementing the Welcoming Communities programme.

Evaluations show that the programme creates more welcoming, inclusive and resilient communities where every resident can belong and thrive.

Fostering an environment where everyone can participate and thrive increases social engagement and community connectedness.

The Welcoming Communities Facilitator at Hurunui District Council:

- Works collaboratively with various agencies, community groups and businesses
- Collates and shares information about existing welcoming initiatives
- Advocates for diversity and inclusion
- Supports ethnic communities

Get in touch now

CONTACT US

Get in touch with our Welcoming Communities Facilitator to find out more and get involved!

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Welcoming Communities

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MISSION STATEMENT – WHAT IS WELCOMING COMMUNITIES?

Our Hurunui District, a place called home by almost 13,000 people, from many walks of life. We are expecting many more newcomers to work here, support businesses, enjoy the lifestyle and participate in community life.

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Let's roll out the welcome mat!

Population:
almost
13,000

Representing a
variety of ethnic
backgrounds

Newcomers add
vibrancy, support
the economy and
contribute to our
communities.



We value the diverse skills, experiences, talents and perspectives all newcomers add to the Hurunui district.

Settling into a new area can often feel like a rollercoaster ride. Finding your feet and making meaningful connections in a new environment can be quite challenging.

We can all make things easier for newcomers.

Initiating welcoming activities

Providing guidance and support

Giving a friendly smile

Showing people around,
share local tips

Inviting someone for a cuppa or BBQ



WHO CAN BE INVOLVED IN WELCOMING COMMUNITIES?

ANYONE!

There are many opportunities for community members and organisations to get involved, share their feedback, and suggest ideas on how to make our district more welcoming, for everyone.

We acknowledge Te Tiriti O Waitangi as our foundation document. The underpinning values are Manaakitanga and Whanaungatanga (care about others and build relationships).

A diverse advisory group will add feedback and guidance to a Welcoming Plan for the Hurunui District. At the core of this plan will be a range of activities which help to reduce isolation and improve inclusion. We would love to hear from you!

Get involved and improve the connectedness within your community!

Achieving the Welcoming Communities accreditation helps us celebrate success and shared pride in the positive outcomes for our community.

