

# Settlement Support New Zealand Auckland City – Tāmaki-makau-rau

*Ko main kai atu, ko maru kai mai, ka ngohengohe (Give as well as take and all is well)*



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## Haere Mai, Nau Mai, Haere Mai

Kei te pēhea koutou? Welcome to the tenth Settlement Support New Zealand—Auckland City Newsletter.

The objective of this newsletter is to provide you with information about what Settlement Support – Auckland City does, where you can find information about employment, education, health services and many other aspects of settling in New Zealand. This is also an opportunity to share with you the services which are available around Auckland city.

Please feel free to pass on this newsletter onto friends, family and community colleagues.

### Are you a migrant business owner?

Paul Spoonley and Carina Meares of Massey University recently reported that Chinese businesses in Auckland depend extensively on other Chinese (both domestically and internationally) for employees, suppliers and customers, including local and business networks (<http://bit.ly/30Fyul>). This has a huge impact on Auckland City.

Do you know that Auckland City Council runs a *Mainstreet Programme* for small businesses (<http://bit.ly/1rpagu>)? They will be carrying out consultations with migrant business owners about what they can do for you.

If you know someone or you own a business in Onehunga, Eden Valley, Dominion Road or Panmure, please contact the Settlement Support Coordinator – Auckland City on (09) 625 3093 or [bevanc@arms-mrc.org.nz](mailto:bevanc@arms-mrc.org.nz) for further information.



### Invitation: Public Consultation on Onehunga Precinct Plan

Onehunga is expected to become a principal centre in Auckland City over the next 20 – 30 years and plans are being made for its growth. In planning for Onehunga's future development, Auckland City Council is keen to look at the views of its residents and those who have interests in the area. In order that views are from a wide cross-section of Onehunga, Auckland City Council's Community Advisors are keen to engage the views of the various ethnic communities in the area.

You are invited to a meeting about your views and issues affecting Onehunga in the future.

Time: 6pm, Wednesday 4 November, 2009  
Venue: Onehunga Community Centre, 83 Church Street, Onehunga

Please contact your Settlement Support Coordinator – Auckland City on [bevanc@arms-mrc.org.nz](mailto:bevanc@arms-mrc.org.nz) or Graeme Dykes, Community Advisor for Auckland City Council, at [Graeme.Dykes@aucklandcity.govt.nz](mailto:Graeme.Dykes@aucklandcity.govt.nz) for further information.

You can read about Onehunga's profile on <http://bit.ly/320vDy>





## Vacancy: Refugee Community Employment Broker

ReactNow is a specialist employment programme for refugee communities at the Auckland Regional Migrant Services located in Three Kings – Auckland. Refugee communities have identified that employment is a critical component of successful settlement. ARMS recognised the gap around specialist employment support for refugees and established ReactNow in 2007: This programme has been successful because it is tailored to meet the needs of each specific client group.

- A workshop programme focussed on job search up-skilling
- Case managed support into a range of employment outcomes and post placement support
- Establishment of employer networks, job sourcing and employer advocacy



This role of Refugee Community Employment Broker will focus on sourcing and securing vacancies with employers for our refugee clients, including building a portfolio of labour market information that can be utilised on our career data base.

This position sits within a team of dedicated local and refugee community specialists. Specifically, the role will involve assessing clients from our own sources and Work and Income and matching these to appropriate vacancies. Employer advocacy is essential as is maintaining good relationships with employers for current and future employment opportunities. Additionally, the Employment Broker will support clients through the recruitment and selection process, case manages individual supervision of clients, and provides sustained support for the clients post employment.

You will have a proven track record in recruitment, human resources, or employment brokerage, with sound knowledge of the NZ workplace environment. You will preferably have some experience of working with refugee communities. The least that you will need is to be genuinely interested in extending your understanding of this target group and be committed to the goal of helping refugee individuals settle more effectively in New Zealand. Reliability, tolerance, professionalism and determination are also key attributes. It is important that this person is able to travel, therefore a current driving licence and own vehicle is essential.

Please apply by logging on to: [www.arms-mrc.org.nz](http://www.arms-mrc.org.nz) / Job Vacancies.

Complete the Application Form / Attach a cover letter / Attach an updated CV – and email back to [reception@arms-mrc.org.nz](mailto:reception@arms-mrc.org.nz)

Position Description: Available on [www.arms-mrc.org.nz](http://www.arms-mrc.org.nz) / Job Vacancies.

**Closing Date: 6 November 2009**

# What's Coming Up?

## Workshops

*\*All free unless otherwise stated.*

### Job Search Workshop

**Tuesdays, 9.30am–2.00pm** (Please call or email to confirm dates)

Workshop to assist with your job search. Held in junction with Work & Income NZ, Career Services and the Auckland Chamber of Commerce.



### Making New Zealand Your Home (Women only)

**Saturday, 30<sup>th</sup> October, 10.00am – 12.00pm**

What are the most important things to you as a woman living in a new country? What are your rights? What can you do with your relationships?



### Mastering Kiwi Pronunciation

**Mondays, 2<sup>nd</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup> November, 6.00pm – 8.00pm, 5 weeks; \$195 per person**

Learn how to produce NZ English speech sounds; develop easily understood English; adopt the rhythm of NZ English; use NZ body language, courtesy conventions and more; manage interviews and important phone calls.



### Tenancy and Renting

**Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> November, 9.30am – 12.30pm**

What are your rights and obligations as a landlord and tenant? What is the tenancy agreement? Who is responsible for maintenance? Where do I go to get help?



### The Home Ownership Workshop

**Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> November 2009, 9.00am – 4.00pm**

Understand the process of buying a family home. Find out about the different home loan options. Learn negotiation strategies and tactics for the NZ market.



### HR Seminar

**Friday, 20<sup>th</sup> November 2009, 9.30am – 2.30pm**

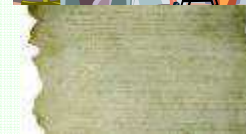
New Zealand Human Resource overview; human resources interview tips; New Zealand employment legislation; Human Resources Institute of New Zealand.



### The Treaty of Waitangi

**Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> November 2009, 9.30am – 4.00pm**

Learn more about the Treaty of Waitangi. Develop an understanding about your relationship as a new settler to Maori as the first peoples of New Zealand.



### Sail On! Auckland – New Youth and Our Maritime Heritage

**Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> November 2009, 3.30pm – 5.00pm** (Note this was previously scheduled)

Explore and learn about Auckland's maritime heritage if you are 12 – 25 years old; have been in New Zealand for less than 2 years, and never sailed in Auckland before.



For more information or to register contact ARMS on 09 625 2440 or [reception@arms-mrc.org.nz](mailto:reception@arms-mrc.org.nz).

For information about workshops in 2009 visit [www.arms-mrc.org.nz](http://www.arms-mrc.org.nz)

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