

Public Housing in Waikato Region

The Waikato region is based on the following Territorial Local Authorities:

Hamilton City, Hauraki District, Matamata-Piako District, Otorohanga District, South Waikato District, Taupo District, Thames-Coromandel District, Waikato District, Waipa District, Waitomo District.



Public Homes

Public Homes are properties owned or leased by Kāinga Ora and registered Community Housing Providers (CHPs) that can be tenanted by people who are eligible for public housing.

4,710

Kāinga Ora IRRS Occupied Homes

354

Registered CHP IRRS Occupied Homes

95

Kāinga Ora Market Renters

2

Registered CHP Market Renters

52

Kāinga Ora Vacant Homes

107

Kāinga Ora Unavailable Homes

= 5,320

Public Homes in Waikato region
(5,256 as at 30 September 2023)

Note: All figures in this factsheet are as at 31 December 2023.

The Ministry of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) pays an Income-Related Rent Subsidy (IRRS) to registered housing providers to cover the balance between the tenant's rental payment and the market rent for the property.

Housing Support in the Waikato Region

Accommodation Supplement (AS) is a weekly payment to assist people who are not in public housing, with their rent, board or the cost of owning a home. A person does not have to be receiving a benefit to qualify for Accommodation Supplement.

42,042

People receiving Accommodation Supplements
(40,594 as at 30 September 2023)

\$4,030,415

AS payments per week
(\$3,873,428 as at 30 September 2023)

Temporary Additional Support (TAS) is a weekly payment that helps to cover essential living costs that cannot be met from their income and through other resources. It is paid for a maximum of 13 weeks, and the recipient does not have to be receiving a main benefit to qualify for it.

11,515

People receiving Temporary Additional Support
(10,900 as at 30 September 2023)

\$1,044,599

TAS payments per week
(\$967,141 as at 30 September 2023)

Community Housing Providers

From 2014 registered Community Housing Providers (CHPs) became eligible to receive the Income Related Rent Subsidy (IRRS) for tenants.

CHPs are registered, regulated and monitored by the Community Housing Regulatory Authority.

84

Accessible Properties
New Zealand Limited

2

Coromandel Independent
Living Trust

32

Habitat for Humanity
Central Region Limited

197

Link People Limited

16

Te Runanga o Kirikiriroa
Charitable Trust

25

The Salvation Army
New Zealand Trust

= 356

Public housing tenancies in Waikato region being
delivered by Community Housing Providers
(333 as at 30 September 2023)

Transitional Housing

Transitional housing provides warm, dry and safe short-term accommodation for people in need, along with tailored housing related support while they're there. Transitional housing is managed by providers, who are skilled in supporting tenants with a range of social and tenancy-related services, and are also responsible for maintaining the properties.

The transitional housing programme is led by HUD in collaboration with Kāinga Ora, transitional housing providers, the Ministry of Social Development and the wider housing sector.

People living in transitional housing pay rent of up to 25% of their income, which is in line with income-related rents for public housing. The balance is subsidised to providers by HUD.

193

Emerge Aotearoa

37

Hamilton Christian
Night Shelter

48

Kirikiriroa Family
Services Trust

15

NCIWR

94

Te Runanga
o Kirikiriroa

33

Te Whakaruruhau

42

The Salvation Army

24

Te Korowai Roopu
Tautoko Inc

4

LinkPeople

13

Twenty20 Sustainable
Housing

12

Mana Services Aotearoa

= 515

Total available
places as at 31
December 2023
(531 as at 30
September 2023)

Housing Support Products

Housing Support Products (HSPs) consist of a range of products designed to assist people to achieve or sustain independence in the private housing market. HSPs help to ensure that those who most need public housing can access it by reducing the number of people on the register, and by helping those who can sustain alternative housing to do so.



\$1,498,262

Bond Grants



\$138,748

Moving Assistance



\$552,141

Rent Arrears



\$572,384

Rent in Advance



\$2,840

Tenancy Costs Cover



\$15,000

Transition to Alternative Housing Grant

= 2,991

Grants for 1,878 distinct clients (total \$2,779,375)

Public Housing Register

When New Zealanders are in need of public housing, their needs are recorded on the Public Housing Register. The Public Housing Register is comprised of a Housing Register and a Transfer Register. The Housing Register is prioritised by need and consists of public housing applicants who have been assessed as being eligible. The Transfer Register is made up of people already in public housing, but who have requested and are eligible for a transfer to another property.

2,675

Housing register

(2,708 as at 30 September 2023)

337

Transfer register

(358 as at 30 September 2023)

Applications Housed



Waikato

210 (123 as at 30 September 2023)



National

2,344 (2,041 as at 30 September 2023)

Notes:

- This includes both A and B priority applications.
- Applications housed may have been housed with Kāinga Ora or with a Community Housing Provider.

Emergency Housing Special Needs Grant

The purpose of the Emergency Housing Special Needs Grant (EH SNG) is to help individuals and families with the cost of staying in short-term accommodation if they are unable to access one of HUD's contracted transitional housing places.

The EH SNG pays for short-term accommodation for up to seven days at a time, and is provided by commercial and community providers who are not contracted by HUD to deliver accommodation services.

In the quarter ending 31 December 2023, there have been **4,275** grants made supporting **948** households compared with **4,994** grants made supporting **1,116** households in the quarter ending 30 September 2023.

\$21,997,790

Total amount granted in the quarter ending 31 December 2023

(\$25,739,719 as at 30 September 2023)

Note:

The number of households supported is the number of distinct clients who were granted an EH SNG in the quarter ending 31 December 2023, based on the housing region the last grant of the quarter was made in.

Regional Overview

Hamilton City	Number of applicants on the Housing Register 1,618 (1,697)	Number of applicants on the Transfer Register 256 (249)	Public Housing Occupied Homes 3,604 (3,292)	Transitional Housing places 470 (470)	Number of EH SNG approved 3,645 (4,181) Amount of EH SNG approved \$20,069,592 (\$23,320,634)
Hauraki District	Number of applicants on the Housing Register 59 (59)	Number of applicants on the Transfer Register S (S)	Public Housing Occupied Homes 102 (102)	Transitional Housing places - (-)	Number of EH SNG approved 114 (108) Amount of EH SNG approved \$186,982 (\$219,903)
Matamata-Piako District	Number of applicants on the Housing Register 103 (109)	Number of applicants on the Transfer Register 9 (9)	Public Housing Occupied Homes 173 (171)	Transitional Housing places - (-)	Number of EH SNG approved 112 (142) Amount of EH SNG approved \$373,712 (\$471,130)
Otorohanga District	Number of applicants on the Housing Register 26 (18)	Number of applicants on the Transfer Register S (S)	Public Housing Occupied Homes 34 (34)	Transitional Housing places - (-)	Number of EH SNG approved 15 (17) Amount of EH SNG approved \$43,576 (\$61,028)
South Waikato District	Number of applicants on the Housing Register 145 (131)	Number of applicants on the Transfer Register S (-)	Public Housing Occupied Homes 36 (33)	Transitional Housing places 16 (16)	Number of EH SNG approved 130 (116) Amount of EH SNG approved \$386,731 (\$354,649)
Taupo District	Number of applicants on the Housing Register 217 (206)	Number of applicants on the Transfer Register 14 (15)	Public Housing Occupied Homes 175 (172)	Transitional Housing places 29 (29)	Number of EH SNG approved 107 (219) Amount of EH SNG approved \$333,872 (\$556,680)
Thames-Coromandel District	Number of applicants on the Housing Register 82 (80)	Number of applicants on the Transfer Register 16 (15)	Public Housing Occupied Homes 195 (193)	Transitional Housing places - (-)	Number of EH SNG approved S (11) Amount of EH SNG approved \$8,520 (\$17,814)
Waikato District	Number of applicants on the Housing Register 267 (231)	Number of applicants on the Transfer Register 24 (27)	Public Housing Occupied Homes 383 (376)	Transitional Housing places - (-)	Number of EH SNG approved 63 (111) Amount of EH SNG approved \$182,663 (\$333,340)
Waipa District	Number of applicants on the Housing Register 80 (87)	Number of applicants on the Transfer Register 11 (10)	Public Housing Occupied Homes 237 (213)	Transitional Housing places 10 (10)	Number of EH SNG approved 73 (82) Amount of EH SNG approved \$399,132 (\$395,861)
Waitomo District	Number of applicants on the Housing Register 47 (57)	Number of applicants on the Transfer Register S (S)	Public Housing Occupied Homes 89 (86)	Transitional Housing places 6 (6)	Number of EH SNG approved S (7) Amount of EH SNG approved \$13,010 (\$8,680)

Notes:

- An 'S' denotes data of a small volume. The data is suppressed to ensure the privacy of our clients, and therefore the sum across areas may not equal the total displayed.
- Emergency Housing – Amount of EH SNG is the total value of grants issued in the quarter ending 31 December 2023.
- Public Housing Occupied Homes includes Kāinga Ora and community housing provider occupied homes that are either subsidised through Income-Related Rent Subsidy or the tenant is paying market rent, and is at 31 December 2023.