

### **KIA ORA!**

We'd like to share some highlights around Tāmaki Regeneration Company's activities.

The Tāmaki regeneration project embraces the manaakitanga, energy and spirit of Tāmaki to create a thriving community in Glen Innes, Panmure and Point England. Designed alongside the community, and building on Tāmaki's rich history, the regeneration will mean revitalised green spaces, town centres, social infrastructure, schools and new homes.

In this newsletter, read about the latest community projects, expansion of our affordable housing programme, and the new Kereru Kidney Centre.



Community engagement is a large part of all the work we do in Tāmaki. At Point England we organised opportunities for the community to workshop temporary street improvements for safety.

### **HIGHLIGHTS THIS YEAR**

- We have built a total of 152 new warm, dry homes; of which 64 were state homes and 18 affordable homes.
   This brings the total of new homes in Tāmaki to 884.
- Ninety-two local whānau have moved along the housing ladder since the beginning of the Tāmaki Affordable Homes programme (now known as OWN IT), including 20 families this year. We recently celebrated our first whānau achieving 100% ownership of their shared ownership home through the OWN IT programme.
- Through the OWN IT Workshops we help support local whānau to get ready to buy a home, and 131 local families are on the path to being mortgage-ready.
- We are building 30 transitional homes in Tāmaki for whānau in need.
- With \$36 million allocated across five different shovel-ready infrastructure projects in Tāmaki, Kāinga Ora and its alliance partner Piritahi are delivering these on behalf of Auckland Council.
- We are continuing work with a Tāmaki social enterprise to repurpose homes that would otherwise have been demolished and sent to landfill.

 The Tāmaki Jobs & Skills Hub has supported 938 people into employment in the past six years, with 170 people helped into a job so far this financial year. More information here.



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## **REPURPOSING TĀMAKI HOMES**

Tāmaki Regeneration Company is working with a social enterprise to repurpose Tāmaki state houses, with the aim to reduce construction waste, which is the highest contributor to landfill.

The goal of this project, which involves several organisations, is to refurbish, reuse and repurpose some of the old state homes that are making way for new, warm and dry homes.

The Repurposing Tāmaki Houses Project focuses on waste reduction education, lobbying for awareness around the waste we create, as well as supporting our communities to grow opportunities for self-empowerment and employment.

The project started with three houses that were relocated and refurbished. Phase 2 has now started with the assessment of 14 houses that would

have been otherwise demolished and sent to landfill. Once assessed, appropriate homes will be relocated to two different community entities (one business, and one training organisation) and other homes will be deconstructed with materials given to Faith Family Connect Church.

The New Zealand Herald covered this story in June 2021 **here.** 

# AFFORDABLE HOUSING BRINGS HOME OWNERSHIP

Home ownership is an important aspiration for a lot of Kiwis and our community is no different.

Many Tāmaki whānau, and especially Māori and Pasifika families, want to own their own home. Through our state, affordable and market housing programmes, we are opening doors and supporting these aspirations.

Around 1,500 new affordable homes are being built in Tāmaki especially for local whānau. Our OWN IT programme has been set up to help first home buyers who live in or have a strong connection to Tāmaki.

To read more, and watch the stories of two whānau who have recently moved

into their own homes, click here.

With more affordable housing approved by the Minister

for Housing,
Megan Woods,
this is where we
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in the immediate pipeline for affordable homes, most of which have completed or are engaging in the OWN IT Workshops – growing their financial capability to pay down any debt and increase their savings and income.





## KIDNEY CENTRE LIFE-CHANGING **FOR TĀMAKI** LOCALS

The new Kereru Kidney Centre is under construction at Point England, and it will make treatment more accessible for locals. Many dialysis patients live in the Tāmaki regeneration areas of Glen Innes, Point England and Panmure, alongside neighbouring suburbs.

Opening in late August 2021, Tāmaki Regeneration Company has provided Auckland District Health Board (ADHB) with the land to build the new centre which will offer community dialysis treatment and other kidney healthcare. Education about kidney health will also be a strong focus at the centre and will be provided with the help of the Kidnev Society.

Auckland DHB renal service clinical director Dr. David Semple says building the new centre in Tāmaki is exciting. "Having a purpose-built centre where it's most needed - in the community will help us reduce the impact of kidney disease on patients and their whanau. It will also allow us to get to know the community better and work more closely with the other health providers in the areas."

Artist impression of the Kereru Kidney Centre.

# FIRST 'HACK TĀMAKI' **EVENT GENERATES ENTREPRENEURIAL SPIRIT**



Recently Tāmaki's first hackathon -Hack Tāmaki - took place and brought community and business together to create innovative digital solutions and generate opportunity and connection in Tāmaki around the technology arena.

Acknowledged as one of the most diverse Hackathon events in Aotearoa, over 100 participants took part, with 33% Māori and 41% women, working with local businesses Jacobsen, Fusion, NO SIX, Ngai Tai ki Tāmaki Iwi and Ika Bowl - Polynesian Poké to give back to the Tāmaki community and power up its economy.

Hack Tāmaki is about driving economic value and social impact. One of its key aims was to help accelerate under-represented communities into the technology field, and being organised in one of Auckland's most diverse communities, participants were lining up to take part.

Since the event, one of the winning projects has since secured funding for prototype development, and we are looking forward to seeing this concept come to fruition. Watch this space.

#### Students wired up for career in I1



See the story covered in the New Zealand Herald here.