



He Herenga Kura

# Mātika Te Kāhui Taiohi

Mātika Te Kāhui Taiohi operates under the umbrella of He Herenga Kura. He Herenga Kura has over 50 years experience in providing a tangata whenua response to ending homelessness and realising the aspirations of whānau across Te Whanganui ā Tara.

A kaupapa Māori organisation, the philosophy of He Herenga Kura is **Whānau Ora, Mauri Oho**, emphasising that the key to transformational change lies within the power of whānau.

## About Mātika Te Kāhui Taiohi

Mātika Te Kāhui Taiohi is a kaupapa Māori rangatahi service, designed and implemented by He Herenga Kura in a direct effort to address and prevent rangatahi homelessness in Te Whanganui ā Tara.

Based in Petone, our service provides safe and secure housing and social support for up to six rangatahi tāne between the ages of 18 and 21 years old.



Supporting  
rangatahi into  
adulthood.

Navigational  
support to  
achieve goals and  
aspirations.

## The support we offer includes:

- A fully furnished, comfortable and welcoming home
- Six individual and fully furnished bedrooms
- 24/7 staffing from supportive and caring kaimahi
- Navigational support and assistance
- Tailored plans to support rangatahi to achieve their individual goals and aspirations
- Learning and development programmes to prepare rangatahi to lead autonomous and independent lives.
- Specialist clinical, learning and social support sourced for any rangatahi who might need it.

## He Moemoeā – Vision

Rangatahi are empowered to achieve their goals and aspirations and attain the skills necessary to enable them to live autonomously and be supported to find safe and sustainable housing.

## Referrals to Mātika Te Kāhui Taiohi

Referrals are welcome from social and community services and agencies across Te Whanganui ā Tara.

Rangatahi are also welcome to self-refer.

To find out more, please contact Mātika Te Kāhui Taiohi Pou Arahi (Manager) Anaru Para at [anaru@heherengakura.nz](mailto:anaru@heherengakura.nz)

You can also contact He Herenga Kura Referrals Administrator at [referrals@heherengakura.nz](mailto:referrals@heherengakura.nz) or phone (04) 384 6252.

## Our programmes:

- Cooking classes
- Budgeting education and support
- Literacy and numeracy
- Driver licensing
- Basic DIY skills
- Kaupapa Māori programmes
- Peer support.

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## Eligibility criteria for Mātika Te Kāhui Taiohi

To become part of the Mātika Te Kāhui Taiohi whānau, rangatahi tāne must be 18 – 21 years old and agree to be referred to Mātika Te Kāhui Taiohi.

As a kaupapa Māori service, we operate under a tikanga and kawa that is built around aroha, manaaki and whanaungatanga.

Our rangatahi and kaimahi alike are expected to abide by our tikanga and kawa at all times.

