

# Safe Communities Foundation NZ

Our Vision That all people in their communities can live, work and play safely, free from preventable injury and violence. Te hanga i te wahi haumaruru ki te ora, mahi, me te tākaro



Welcome to  
Safe Communities Foundation NZ



**Tania Peters - CEO**

As a not-for-profit national organisation, Safe Communities Foundation NZ is proud to support the accreditation of communities. Accreditation is based on the Pan Pacific Safe Community model, viewed by the World Health Organization as an important method of engagement and delivery of community safety initiatives.

## Making New Zealand communities a safer place

### What we do

- SCFNZ was created to specifically support communities become effective advocates and enablers of injury and crime prevention at community level. SCFNZ works with the existing and new community coalitions to:
- Grow and strengthen community safety activities to create safer environments and increase the adoption of safer behaviours.
- Support and encourage community coalitions to build safety capacity and achieve accreditation and recognition under the international criteria, as a Safe Community.
- Community based safety coalitions provide the platform and channels for central and local Government to increase wellbeing, reduce injuries, crime and dangerous environments through a focus on targeted interventions, leadership and collaboration.
- Government has a focus on “investing for outcomes”. Because of this there is a need for greater involvement of target communities in the design and delivery of services. Communities on one hand need to understand and take ownership of issues facing them, but also want and need greater autonomy in the design and delivery of services and programmes.

### Why we do it

- A safe community is a place that is attractive to live in, work and visit. Communities are supported by, and can demonstrate their capacity to do this, through the adoption of the Safe Community model and reaching the international Pan Pacific criteria for accreditation.



*“Lets work together because injuries are preventable”*

**Think Safe | Feel Safe  
Act Safe | Be Safe**

## How we do it

Safe Communities are supported through adopting and using criteria in the Safe Communities model. This criteria sets the foundations for effective injury and crime prevention through:



## Accredited Safe Communities in New Zealand

New Zealand has a well-established local, regional and national network that supports community safety through injury and violence prevention programmes and initiatives. Safe Communities has grown to just over 2.26 million people or 47% of the New Zealand population currently living in accredited Safe Communities (2017 population estimates).

## Our key focus areas

1. Support communities capability and impact in identifying high risk injury areas (focus on what is important).
2. Mentoring to create effective coordination of community efforts.
3. Strengthen communities capacity and capability in mobilising actions.
4. Community evaluation to demonstrate contribution in reducing injury.

The Safe Communities Network in NZ actively contributes to the Sustainable Development Goals with a focus on:



## Our key relationships

- New Zealand Communities
- Accredited Safe Communities
- Pan Pacific Safe Communities Network
- World Health Organization
- Accident Compensation Corporation
- Ministry of Health
- Health Promotion Agency
- Ministry of Social Development
- New Zealand Police
- National Agencies
- Local Government



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