

Good afternoon, I hope you are well. Below is another earthquake recovery coordinator update. If you want to read more about a particular topic, please scroll down the page. Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any comments or questions.
Kind Regards and God Bless,
Matt

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Spiritual Earthquake retreat – Saturday August 24th

Following on from the recent retreat on Our Lady and the Earthquakes (45 attended), a full day retreat is being held at the Community of the Beatitudes, Leithfield, on Saturday August 24. Free Bus transport will be provided from Christchurch. The retreat is entitled **“How the spiritual life can help in post-quake Christchurch”**. The retreat includes three talks, Mass, Adoration and Reconciliation., shared lunch and plenty of quiet time. Numbers are strictly to 45 with 28 already having signed up . Let me know if you want to attend.

The Inter-church Earthquake forum – telling the story

I have often mentioned the benefits of this group which I have been attending for nearly two years. They have put together a 5min DVD which interviews the main participants. It is excellent and can be viewed at this website <http://raranga.org.nz/telling-the-story/>

All Right? Campaign Ready, Set, Go!

For the last couple of months the All Right? team have been busy planning the next steps of the campaign.

The next phase of All Right? will continue to build on the last six months, with a specific focus on three key themes:

1. **How are you doing today?** We all experience different moods and feelings at different times. It's normal for our mood to change from day to day and even hour by hour.
2. **What things make you feel good?** There are lots of things we can't control but you can influence the way you feel.
3. **Who can you help today?** Looking out for someone else makes you both feel good.

To help get the messages out there will be three periods of concerted advertising activity in September, February, and May. In September we will be using billboards, bus shelter adshels, and some pretty innovative newspaper advertisements.

On the research front, in October and November we will be undertaking our second survey looking at the wellbeing of Cantabrians. The results will help us paint a picture of where we are at as a region, how things have changed since our last survey which took place a year ago, and what impact All Right? has had on people's wellbeing. We plan to release the results early in 2014.

Presentation on Community Housing Developments and Land Trusts

This free presentation from Dr Louise Crabtree (University of Western Sydney) will be for those people interested in affordable housing and community-based residential development.

There is no need to book for this free seminar.

Date: Tuesday 20th August (12.30 to 1.30pm)

Venue: CCC Function Room on the first floor of the Civic Offices (53 Hereford Street, Christchurch).

Dr Crabtree's recent projects include:

- Community land trusts and indigenous housing options
- Housing affordability, adaptive co-management and resilience: an audit of innovative housing in Australia
- Shared equity housing: contemporary models of land stewardship in the USA

Apply for assistance from the Rotary Neighbourhood Project

Do you have a great idea for your community? Well, get your neighbours together, tell Rotary about your project so they can try and give you a hand to make it happen.

- Cultural Events
- Community Barbecue
- Street Party
- Book Club Launch
- Welcome Packs for the Neighbourhood
- Neighbourhood film Night or Sports day
- Neighbourhood Market
- Art Exhibition
- Clean up Campaign
- Beautification and Landscaping Project
- Small Business Workshop
- Adopt-a-Grandparent Programme
- Community Fair...

The Neighbourhood Project Fund has been established to support locally initiated projects that contribute towards improving wellbeing and building resilient communities and neighbourhoods.

Want to know the latest research on creating resilient organisations?

Tuesday 27th August, 9:30am – 12:30pm

C2 lecture theatre, University of Canterbury, Christchurch

Come along and listen to our top presenters giving a series of succinct talks on their latest findings. Everyone welcome.

RSVP for catering purposes to tracy.hatton@pg.canterbury.ac.nz

The talks:

- Erica Seville: *Measuring your organisation's resilience*
- Bernard Walker and Nilakant Venkataraman: *Adaptive resilience – how organisations responded in Christchurch*
- Tracy Hatton: *What happened to Christchurch CBD retailers?*
- Charlotte Brown: *Insurance – a help or hindrance to recovery?*
- Alice Chang-Richards: *The economic case for housing the workforce*
- Sandeeka Mannakkara: *Build back better – a realistic goal?*
- David Brunson: *Christchurch – Progress on the Recovery of the Built Environment*
- Suzanne Wilkinson: *Learning from Past Disasters*
- John Vargo: *Recovery paradoxes*

Remember the Christchurch Diocesan Earthquake Recovery Fund is available to help you meet whatever post-earthquake needs you continue to find.