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## **Body Positive Inc.**

Established in 1992 in Tāmaki Makaurau Auckland, Body Positive is a community organization run by and for people living with HIV. HIV continues to impact rainbow communities disproportionately in Aotearoa, and we're here to provide support, reduce stigma, and raise awareness.

Core services:

- Free rapid HIV & syphilis testing
- Peer support
- Sexual health clinic

We also run a nationwide peer network with social & support groups from Christchurch to Whangarei and host global initiatives like the *Sperm Positive* campaign – the world's first HIV+ sperm bank.

Join us at events like the Positive Men's Retreat & Positive Leadership Development for community-building, skill development & more!

Website: <u>bodypositive.org.nz</u> Facebook: <u>facebook.com/bodypositiveinc</u> Instagram: <u>instagram.com/bodypositivenz</u>

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Burnett Foundation Aotearoa

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For nearly 40 years, we've been leading the community response to HIV in Aotearoa. Formerly known as the New Zealand AIDS Foundation & Ending HIV NZ, our Kaupapa is grounded in a human-centred, science-led, and sex-positive approach to public health.

Our pillars:

- Advocacy
- Education
- Support

We're committed to Te Tiriti o Waitangi, people living with and affected by HIV, and our environment.

With centres in Auckland, Wellington, and Christchurch, we provide HIV/STI testing, counselling, group support, and services nationwide.

We lead community-driven campaigns to encourage prevention, testing, and breaking down barriers to care.

Together, we advocate for healthy public policies and a supportive environment for all.

Our work is powered by Te Whatu Ora Health New Zealand, trusts, and generous donors. Thank you for supporting our vision!

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## **Ethnic Rainbow Alliance**

Ethnic Rainbow Alliance mission is to cultivate inclusive spaces where cultural diversity is celebrated, and everyone feels valued. We are dedicated to empowering ethnic rainbow communities by promoting holistic wellbeing—encompassing physical, mental, and social dimensions. Our mission is to cultivate inclusive spaces where cultural diversity is celebrated, and everyone feels valued and connected. Through collaboration, advocacy, and increased visibility, we ensure our communities have the resources and opportunities to thrive. We are committed to championing the unique needs of our diverse communities, helping to build a vibrant and interconnected society for all while upholding the Te Tiriti o Waitangi.

Blue Sky: <u>bsky.app/profile/era2023.bsky.social</u> Instagram: <u>instagram.com/ethnic\_rainbow\_alliance</u> Website: <u>ethnicrainbowalliance.com</u>





### **Intersex Aotearoa**

Intersex Aotearoa is an intersex-led, non-profit organisation that champions the needs of intersex, ira tangata, and persons with a variation of sex characteristics (VSC) throughout Aotearoa New Zealand. Our mission is to create a safe and supportive society where intersex people can be visible and thrive!

We are the operational arm of Intersex Trust Aotearoa NZ (ITANZ), founded in 1996. Our mahi is founded on the strength and advocacy of Mani Bruce Mitchell, an internationally influential intersex advocate. Today we are guided by a board of wonderful and fierce intersex humans and allies, and our operational team is steadily expanding.

As the national peak body for intersex advocacy and support in Aotearoa New Zealand, we provide awareness education to health, law, and community groups; we provide peer support to intersex people and their whānau; and we fight for intersex rights through advocacy and consultation.

To find out more about our kaimahi and kaupapa, or to find resources and support, you can visit <u>www.intersexaotearoa.org</u> or find us on Instagram, Facebook, and Linktree.

Instagram: instagram.com/intersexaotearoa Facebook: facebook.com/intersexaotearoa Linktree: linktr.ee/intersexaotearoa

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## **Kick Back**

Kick Back is a Youth Development and Social Justice community responding to Youth Homelessness.

We believe that we can build a world where no rangatahi or tamariki ever has to sleep on our streets or go without a safe, loving and supportive place to call home. And that sometimes the best way to critique the current system, is by mobilizing our community and building the new.

So Kick Back is innovating in the gaps, building the matauranga we need in order to close them. Our current projects include The Safety Net Project and The Front Door Project, two innovative solutions to youth homelessness that are about empowering our communities to care for and respond to young people in critical housing need in our communities.

We refuse to Accept the Unacceptable in our society, and for us, Youth Homelessness is unacceptable, so we're kicking back against the idea that any young person is too "at-risk" to Love and doing what we can to prevent and end youth homelessness.

We believe that though the maunga (mountain) of ending youth homelessness may be huge, it is possible to climb. And that when we come together as a community, have the courage to dream with our eye's open, we can move mountains.

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## **People Against Prisons Aotearoa**

People Against Prisons Aotearoa is New Zealand's largest prison abolitionist organisation. We believe in ending prisons and building a better world.

Ten years ago, three queer people protested cops' and prison guards' presence in the 2015 Auckland Pride Parade. Security broke one of our members' arms and police handcuffed her afterwards. We learned then that the state only tolerates queer existence when we're grateful for the crumbs they give us. When we come together to demand better, they throw us in prisons to shut us up.

That action changed the shape of Pride in Tāmaki. We began ten years ago as No Pride in Prisons, a group concerned about the treatment of transgender people in prisons. We've since become People Against Prisons Aotearoa, a group dedicated to ending the caging of all people. We run the largest prisoner pen pal network in the world, advocate for thousands of prisoners, and are the most radical voice on prisons in Aotearoa.

Prison abolition means believing that a better world is possible when we work together. The government's plans to build megaprisons and ban puberty blockers can't stop us. This Pride, we're celebrating our queer origins and fighting for a queer future.

Website: <u>papa.org.nz</u> Instagram: <u>instagram.com/peopleagainstprisonsaotearoa</u> Facebook: <u>facebook.com/peopleagainstprisonsaotearoa</u> X/Twitter: <u>x.com/againstprisons</u> TikTok: <u>tiktok.com/@againstprisons</u>

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# Village Collective

Established in 1997, Village Collective serves to empower young Pasifika people and their families with knowledge and resources to make well informed decisions about their health and wellbeing. Village collective through its educational programmes and community youth activation offers Pasifika Youth the skills and resources necessary to assist them to navigate life's challenges with confidence.

Village Collective is made up of three key Fales: Community Fale, Talavou Fale, and Rainbow Fale. Each Fale serves a unique purpose. Community Fale strengthens community connections and fosters youth development in leadership, the Talavou Fale supports the growth of Pasifika youth through school and community-based programmes. The Rainbow Fale provides equitable and innovative services that are culturally responsive to MVPFAFF+/LGBTQ+ young people and their families. Together, these Fales provide a holistic strengths-based approach to supporting Pasifika youth and families.

Rainbow Fale supports young Rainbow individuals through a variety of services offered throughout the year, including Diversity in-school groups, Mafutaga, Legends Leadership Group, TEU Wardrobe, Umata Network, LANU, and new projects currently in development for 2025. These initiatives are designed to provide safe, inclusive spaces for young people from the MVPFAFF+/LGBTQ+ community, offering them the opportunity to connect with like-minded peers and build supportive networks. While our origins are in Sexual and Reproductive Health, we've expanded to address broader social determinants of health, including mental health, healthy relationships, leadership, and mentoring. By supporting these areas, we aim to nurture resilient, well-rounded individuals who are empowered to thrive and make positive decisions for their future.

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