



Part 1 Te Ara Urutau – Climate and Emergency Ready Fund: Guidelines summary



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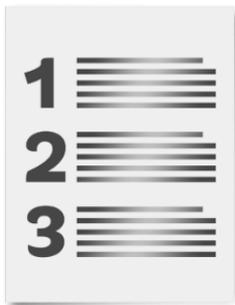


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About this Easy Read



This Easy Read **summary** is from Auckland **Council** Te Kaunihera o Tāmaki Makaurau.



A **summary**:

- is shorter than the main document
- tells you the main ideas.



Council means the people who make choices about how to run a town / city.



In this document Auckland Council Te Kaunihera o Tāmaki Makaurau will be called **Auckland Council**.



When you see the words
we / us / our it means Auckland
Council.



This is Part 1 of 2 Easy Reads about
how we can support communities to
be **resilient**.



Here **resilient** means being able to:

- plan for what to do:
 - if an **emergency** happens
 - to deal with the effects of **climate change**
- recover from an emergency after it happens.





Here an **emergency** is when something happens that puts people in danger like:

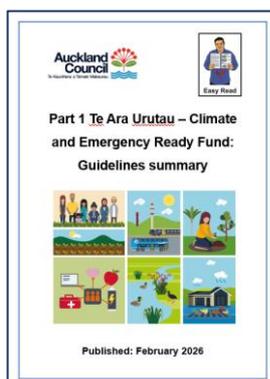
- an earthquake
- a fire
- a flood
- a tsunami
- a volcano if it erupts / bursts
- a very bad storm.



Climate change means big changes in the weather all over the world.

It can mean different things will happen in different places like:

- very bad flooding when storms happen
- very windy weather
- very hot weather
- it being harder to:
 - grow food
 - get clean water.



This Easy Read is called **Part 1 Te Ara Urutau – Climate and Emergency Ready Fund: Guidelines summary.**



The Auckland Council has **grants** that people / organisations can ask for to support their communities to be resilient.



A **grant** is money to support:

- people to do something
- organisations to do something.



Part 1 tells you about:

- our grant programme
- what kinds of projects the grant programme will fund
- how much money you may be able to get for your community project.

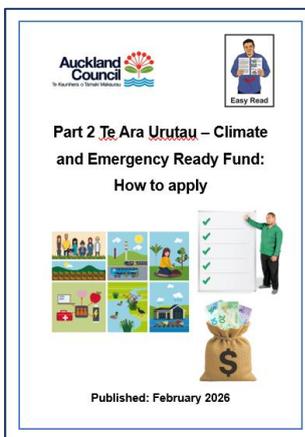




Part 2 tells you how to apply / ask for a grant for your community project.



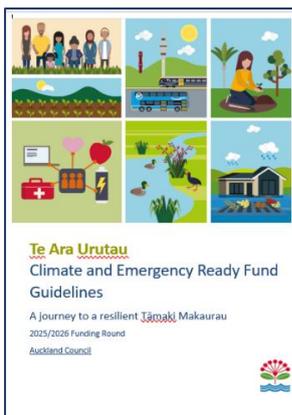
You should read Part 2 when you have finished reading Part 1.



Part 2 is called **Part 2 Te Ara Urutau – Climate and Emergency Ready Fund: How to apply.**

You can read Part 2 at this **website:**

aucklandclimateaction.nz/te-ara-urutau/



These 2 Easy Reads are a summary of the document called **Te Ara Urutau Climate and Emergency Ready Fund Guidelines.**

You can read the full guidelines at this **website:**

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About the grant programme



A **grant programme** is a way to give money to places to support them to do something important.

Here the places that can ask for these grants are:

- communities
- organisations that do work to make their communities better.

This Auckland Council grant programme is a way to support our communities to:



- work together

and

- keep the people and places we love safe when:



- climate change happens
- emergencies happen.



This is a contestable grant programme which means we:

- may not have enough money to pay for all the good ideas
- will choose which ideas we can pay to make happen.



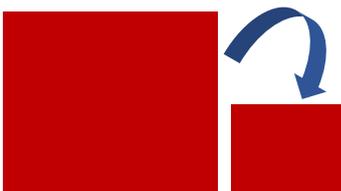


This grant programme is:

- to support:
 - community organisations
 - community partner organisations

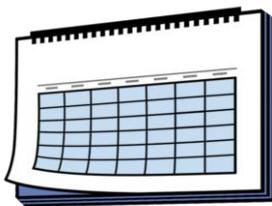


- to do things like:
 - **reduce greenhouse gas emissions**
 - prepare communities for climate change
 - get ready for emergencies.



Reduce is to:

- make something smaller
- do something less.



Greenhouse gas emissions are:

- gases that make the air hot
- caused by people doing things like:
 - driving cars that use petrol
 - burning things like coal.

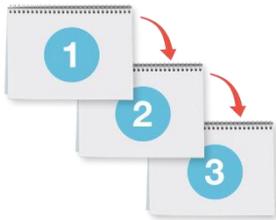
Our grant programme has more than 1 million dollars:

- to fund organisations to support communities to be resilient
- available this year.



This grant money can support communities to:

- learn how to reduce greenhouse gas emissions
- get ready for emergencies.



This money can also support communities to:

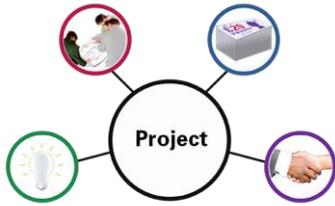
- take their first steps to decide what they need to do to be resilient
- make long term plans so they can live with climate change.



We hope this money will be available each year to support community resilience.



This will happen if we have money to put aside to do this.



There are 3 different **project categories** you can ask for a grant from.



Here **project categories** are the different kinds of work you can ask for a grant for.



We tell you about these categories on **pages 15 to 36**.



Applicants can ask for a grant from 1 or 2 of the project categories.



Here an **applicant** is a group asking for a grant.

Project Category 1: Greenhouse gas emissions reductions



The most money an applicant can ask for in this category is 15 thousand dollars.



This category is about doing things to support people in the community to:

- understand what it will take to make less greenhouse gas
- try to stop doing the things that make a lot of greenhouse gas.





Projects in this category could be about 1 or more of these things:

- transport like getting people to:



- use public transport more

- walk more



- use their bikes / e-bikes

- think of other ways to get around instead of using their cars



- food systems like:

- supporting ways to make sure food is **sustainable**

- connecting to how Māori have always grown food.





Sustainable means doing something that will not hurt the **environment**.



The **environment** is everything that is around us like:

- plants
- animals
- water
- soil.



Projects in this category could also be about 1 or more of these things:

- **low carbon energy systems** including:



- teaching people about things like solar panels
- showing people how to put new energy systems on buildings



- getting people to take part more in bringing down greenhouse gas emissions through:



- learning about them
- bringing communities together.



Low carbon energy systems are different kinds of energy that make less greenhouse gas.

Project Category 2: Emergency readiness and response



Here **readiness** is planning what to do before an emergency happens.



Here **response** is the things that will be done to keep the community safe if an emergency happens.



The most money an applicant can ask for in this category is 15 thousand dollars.



This category is about projects that support communities to:

- get ready for emergencies
- respond to emergencies if they happen.





Projects in this category could be about 1 or more of these things:



- getting people in the community to meet so they can work together if there is an emergency
- having good ways to get information to everyone about:



- emergencies
- being ready for an emergency wherever a person might be.



Projects in this category could also be about 1 of these things:



- supporting all members of the community to take part in emergency planning like:

- disabled people

- people from different **cultures**



- people who speak different languages

- making sure **emergency hubs** have the things they need like:



- personal protective equipment like face masks



- first aid / medical supplies.



Culture is a way of:

- thinking that a group shares
- doing things as a group.

There are many different cultures in Aotearoa New Zealand.



Here an **emergency hub** is a place where people can go to be safe in an emergency.

It can be a place like:

- a community hall
- a marae.



Emergency supplies



Auckland Council can give your community some emergency supplies.



These supplies are only for places like:

- community emergency hubs
- community networks
- marae.



The Council can give you supplies if a place is on the Local Board Emergency Readiness and Response Plan list:

<https://tinyurl.com/bdfhptrj>



This website is **not** in Easy Read.



Choose the equipment and supply pack options you need.



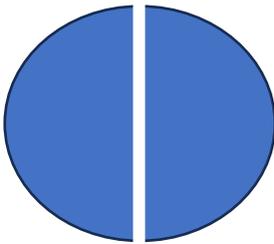
The Council can deliver these supplies to your hub.



Project Category 3: Planning and implementation to be resilient



Here **implementation** is when you start doing the actions / work set out in a plan.



This project category is in 2 parts called:

- planning
- implementation.



Planning



The most money an applicant can ask for in this category is 40 thousand dollars.

A planning project will be about the community planning:



- ways to understand climate **hazards** like the risks / problems they can cause to a community
- actions / work to deal with climate change.



Here **hazards** are things that can cause harm like building homes:

- in places where flooding happens
- In places near where the sea level is rising.



Projects to support community led planning need to include either:

- all of the 4 things on the next few pages

or

- most of the 4 things on the next few pages.



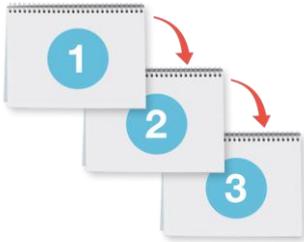
1. Making ways for people to understand how climate change will affect their communities like:

- making resources / information about what climate change can do
- holding meetings to talk about climate change
- talking about ways to deal with climate change in the community.





2. Thinking about making changes to keep your community safe by:



- finding out what the hazards are in your community

- working out what actions need to be done first

- planning work to do about climate change with your:



- community

- whānau / families

- community organisations.





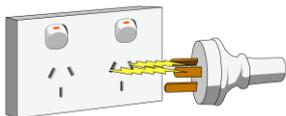
3. Building connections with lots of different people.

This is so everyone has a chance to say what changes need to be made to deal with climate change.



4. Making small changes to deal with climate change as you plan to make bigger changes like:

- planting trees for shade
- using less water
- using less power like electricity.



Implementation



The most money an applicant can ask for in this category is 175 thousand dollars for a 2 year grant.



The smallest amount of money an applicant can ask for in this category is 5 thousand dollars.



Implementation funding is for communities that have:

- already made a plan for dealing with climate change

or

- have worked out the most important things to do first in their climate change plan.





This funding will support actions / work to:

- stop some climate change problems
- slow down some climate change problems.



The actions / work will be different for each community as communities will have different climate change problems.



This funding will support actions to:

- prevent / stop damage from climate change
- reduce the effects of climate change
- find out what the climate change hazards are in the community.





Each community will have different hazards.



This means implementation actions / work will be different for each community.



Your implementation project might include actions / work to:

- **avoid**
- **accommodate**
- protect
- **retreat.**



Here **avoid** means to try to stop doing something.



Here **accommodate** means to make changes to do something.



Here **retreat** means to move away from something to keep safe.



Avoid

Avoid putting things in the way of a hazard that could cause harm to:

- people
- taonga / treasure
- homes
- community spaces.



For example stop building houses where flooding keeps happening after big storms.



Make space for / let nature grow in hazard places.

Accommodate

Make changes to:



- places
- the way things are done.



Things that can be done are:

- putting **wetlands** back to where they used to be
- changing the way some things are done when farming
- designing spaces to be resilient to climate change.





Wetlands are places where:

- there is a lot of water on the top of soil
- lots of different creatures live.



Protect

Communities need to protect places we love from climate change.

Actions / work that communities could do are things like:



- stopping **erosion** from happening
- planting things like trees instead of using concrete
- building special areas that can take away water.



Here **erosion** is when a lot of rain moves things to another place like soil / rocks down a hill.



Retreat

Make a community plan to move things to safe places like:

- people
- taonga / treasure
- things that belong to the community like buildings.



Get people who know a lot about climate change to help find answers to the hardest problems.

More information



Contact us if you:

- have questions about the grant programme
- need assistance.



You can **email** us at:

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