

Ōwhiro Bay Community Response Plan

This is a living document that contains a list of information created by your community, for your community. It outlines the local resources, facilities, and people that can help in an emergency.

Sharing this information will help everyone in the community understand how to support one another when it matters most.







Facility map

Ōwhiro Bay School, 96 Happy Valley Road, Ōwhiro Bay



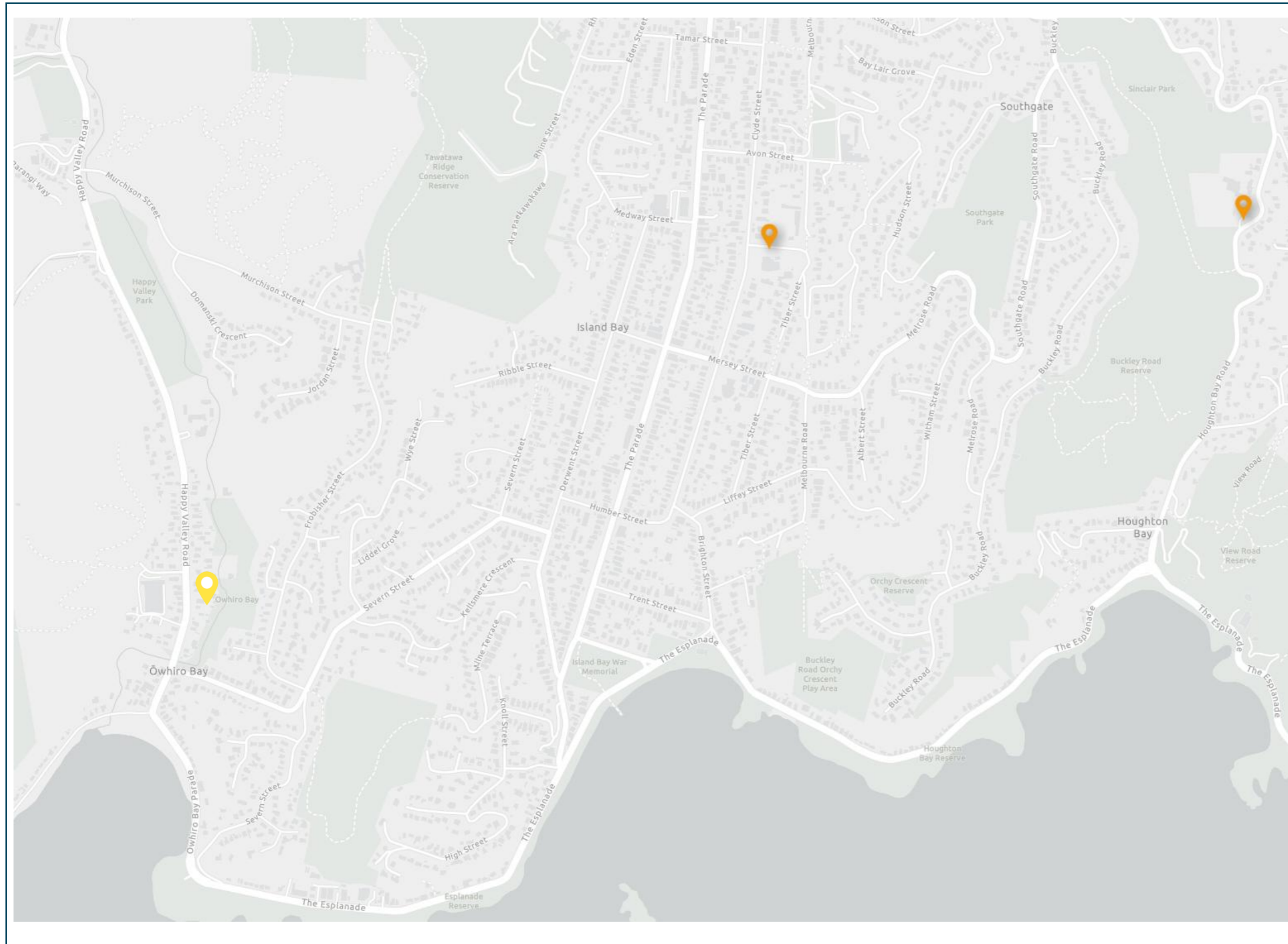
MAP KEY

-  Hub kit location
-  Emergency water tank
-  Suggested space
-  Do not use this space

Please respect this facility and the contents inside. This is a privately owned property that has been offered to the community for disaster response.

Coordinate with neighbouring Community Emergency Hubs

Local resources can be shared with nearby communities, so communicate with your neighbouring hubs to work out the most efficient use of the available resources.



 **Your Hub**

**Ōwhiro Bay Community
Emergency Hub**

Ōwhiro Bay School,
96 Happy Valley Road

 **Neighbouring Hubs**

Houghton Valley School

110 Houghton Bay Rd,
Houghton Bay

Island Bay School

6 Thames St, Island Bay,



Document overview

The local resources and ideas outlined in this document were identified during community planning workshops. These were grouped into the categories listed below:

- > Local resources
- > Local vulnerabilities
- > Checking on who and what has been affected
- > Medical assistance
- > Shelter
- > Water
- > Food
- > Animal Welfare
- > *For Sanitation refer to Section 5 in the Hub Guide*

Community Response Plan and Emergency Hub Guide

This Community Response Plan works alongside the Community Emergency Hub Guide. The Hub Guide provides guidance on how your community can organise and support one another during an emergency. Use the Hub Guide and your Community Response Plan together to organise your community response. You will find the Hub Guide in the Hub kit along with Hub role lanyards, stationery, a map, an AM/FM radio, and a VHF radio.

Responding as a community

Your community has all the skills, resources, local knowledge and relationships to support one another during an emergency. You can utilise these by working together at your local Community Emergency Hub. Use this document as a starting point for solutions to community needs and your response as a community.

If you are opening a Hub it might pay to think about bringing some basics, such as:

- > First aid kits
- > Blankets
- > Torches
- > Batteries
- > Radio
- > Water
- > Tea, coffee, milk
- > Food
- > Toilet paper
- > Buckets
- > Rubbish bags
- > BBQ/camping cooker

Your Local Council

During a major emergency, your local council will coordinate the response from their Emergency Operations Centre. An Emergency Assistance Centre may also be set up to provide access to government and council support services.



Local resources

Your community has identified the following local resources that could be useful for various purposes during an emergency.

Ensure you have permission from the facility or resource owner before using.

Places and spaces

- > Awa

- > Bata

- > Carlucci land

- > Football/cricket ground

- > Large field at school

- > Pariwherō café

- > School, central location

- > Red Rocks Community Centre

- > Red rocks/vic uni

- > School/School Hall & Kindergarten

- > Tawatawa Reserve

- > the green meeting area

Groups and networks of people

- > Connectedness to school community

- > Knowing your neighbours

- > OBRA

- > OBS Board of Trustees

- > Diverse skills groups & tradies

- > Whatsapp groups, Mavens

- > Classroom group chats

- > Connected Community & Community Groups

- > Dog walkers

- > Medical staff who live in the area

- > Nature group

- > Owhiro bay Stream conservation group

- > Parent Link

- > People who will be the squeaky wheel when they need to be

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Services in the community

- > Jay's Carpet

- > School

- > The Denham Boys



Infrastructure

- > “Can-do” people who are practical

- > 4x4s

- > Ability to get information out to the community, school newsletter, kindy story park, OBRA newsletter/email list.

- > OBRA being an Active Resident’s Association

- > BBQs

- > Council knows who we are

- > Great open space in the school and the hills behind

- > Recycling Centre



Local vulnerabilities

Your community has identified the following potential vulnerabilities. These may need further attention or assistance.

Places and spaces

- > Alexandra Rest Home
- > Climate change, sea level rise and storms increasing
- > Houses on the coast at risk of flooding and tsunami
- > Kindy and school kids
- > Proximity to ocean, storms and tsunami

Groups and networks of people

- > Some older community members living in coastal properties
- > People who don't know neighbours
- > Older whānau who live alone

Services in the community

- > No shops/resources to tap into easily (i.e. Drs Office, dairy etc)

Infrastructure

- > Access
- > Access to clean water – pollution in stream from the landfill
- > Climate change, sea level rise and storms increasing
- > Communications
- > Damage to the road along the coast
- > Exposed 400V Electrical pillar boxes on pavement that explode if water gets in.
- > Few internet lines in
- > Few power lines in
- > Few roads in and out
- > Floods, storms, tsunami
- > Hilly
- > Increase in traffic and trucks, more people in the area
- > No close access to food
- > Older residents
- > Owhiro Bay Parade is very steep behind housing, difficult to quickly to a safe level after a long or strong earthquake
- > Pollution down the stream
- > Potential to be blocked off from Brooklyn, coast, Island Bay (i.e. slips from EQ or Flooding)
- > Reliance on technology to communicate (cell phones and having service)
- > Seawall
- > Somewhat isolated from the city
- > Speed on Happy Valley Road
- > The bridge
- > Tourists camping at the end of the road
- > Tsunami zone



Checking on people and damage

Everyone in the community is checked on after an emergency – whether it's for rescue and medical assistance, or just basic support and information.

- > Contact everyone in the community as soon as possible.
- > Record and report information on people and damage back to the Hub.
- > Regularly check everyone in the days following the event as people's circumstances may change.



How can you make sure that everywhere has been checked?

- Start with known affected areas or groups that might need extra assistance.
- Draw upon any local lists and knowledge.
- Coordinate a street-by-street, house-by-house check. Use the area maps in the hub.
- Record any information on the impact to the community. For example, status of roads, building damage, and peoples unresolved needs.

Report the information back to the Information Coordination person at the Hub.

Staying in contact with people as outlined in task one should be done frequently, as peoples circumstances can change after an event.

If you can't give someone immediate assistance, collect information about their needs and bring that back to the Hub. See if you can find an answer to their needs with the resources available in your community.

What groups could be available to walk around the community to check on people and look for damage?

- > Community groups, e.g. Mavens and WOOb's (WhatsApp Groups), Daily Dippers, OB Facebook group, school families, OBRA, 'Coasters', Monastery.
- > Find our cyclists, motorcycles and quads

Where should we check first?

1. Self – 2. Home – 3. Neighbours – 4. Street – 5. Then at the hub check on these priority groups



- > Close to bodies of water (the sea and the stream)

- > Elderly and disabled neighbours

- > People with young children

- > Rest home

How would we coordinate this?

- > Assess – commission teams to assess in priority order to needs and resources available and then broker people's needs with available resources.

- > Consider using a map of the area and groups to check each area – perhaps using spray paint to indicate houses that have been checked.

- > Initially individually (checking on you and yours first)

- > Meet – needs with resources

- > Prioritise – needs with resources

- > Review – that needs are being met

- > Scope – define needs and resources

- > The Hub can set up street maps and coordinate searches, or checks by door knocks

- > Then collective at the community emergency hub

- > WhatsApp Groups if we can



Medical Assistance

Community members who need medical assistance are directed to medical assistance.

- > Identify and coordinate community resources that can be used to assist and treat the injured.
- > Identify and check on people with day-to-day medical needs.
- > Direct the community to medical providers that are known to be open.
- > Identify and coordinate people in the community with medical skills who can help.



In all life-threatening situations, attempt to contact the emergency services by calling 111.

Injured and sick people should go to the nearest open medical centre first.

People with first aid skills should go to their nearest open medical centre or go to the Hub.

Check on your neighbours and people who may need extra help.

Look after your hygiene – wear gloves when touching body fluids.



Find out if the local medical providers are open and operational so that you can let the community know where to go.

Coordinate transportation for those who are in need and cannot get to the medical centre.

Where are the nearest medical providers?

- > AED Located at the visitor centre
- > Brooklyn Pharmacy
- > Island Bay Pharmacy
- > Medics/doctors/nurses in the community

Where else could we provide medical assistance if the above facilities are not available?

- > Bata (for supplies)
- > Big Air Gym
- > Defibrillator at Red Rocks Carpark
- > First aiders (e.g. all teachers)



- > Irwell St Resthome
- > Known medical professionals in the community

Who can help provide medical assistance?

- > Defibrillators
- > Identify those with first aid certs
- > Local doctors/nurses
- > School first aid

How do we get people to medical assistance or medical assistance to people?

- > 4WDs and quad bikes
- > Bikes
- > Horses
- > Trailers
- > Utes
- > Wheelbarrows

Where can we get extra supplies?

- > Local businesses (e.g. beach house, bata)
- > People's houses
- > School
- > Tip shop and landfill

Where are there Defibrillators?

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Shelter

Ensure everyone in our community has somewhere safe and comfortable to stay.

- > Find places where people can shelter from the weather if they can't stay at home.
- > Find comfortable places where people can rest and sleep.



Small repairs may make homes safe enough to stay in.

If people need to leave their homes, encourage them to take as much bedding as possible.

Encourage people to stay with friends and family if possible. Ask neighbours or others in their street if they have a spare room.

People in the community may have spare beds, air mattresses, and couches available to offer people without a place to stay.

Check gas and electricity supplies are safe to use. Turn gas off at the meter/main if unsure. Turn electricity off at mains/switchboard and water at the toby on the footpath. Leaks including water, should be investigated.



Many people will be able to stay in their own homes, and this is ideal as people are much more comfortable in a home environment. Are there simple repairs that could be done to make a home safe enough for people to stay there.

You may have visitors to your community who don't live locally – commuters, shoppers, employees etc. These are the people most likely to need accommodation in your community.

Encourage people to make their spare beds and guest rooms available.

Don't wait for the perfect solution, shelter from the weather is a priority over comfort. Bad weather means the need for shelter is much more urgent than on a warm, sunny day.

Tell the Emergency Operations Centre (through the Communication desk) the number of people who need accommodation.

Who could help make people's homes safe, weatherproof, and comfortable?

- > Identify which we have been in touch with
- > List of names who have offered help/that need help
- > Local Builders
- > Neighbours
- > Organise runners to do a survey.
- > Residents
- > Use needs and offers board for:
- > What skill sets/tools people have

Where can we get resources to make repairs?



- > Bunnings Lyall Bay
- > Carlucci Land
- > Local handymen
- > The Tip Shop/Southern Landfill

Where could we get bedding and clothing supplies to keep people warm and comfortable?

- > Excess from people's homes

What open spaces could accommodate temporary shelter?

- > Boat sheds
- > Camping gear
- > Playing + School fields
- > Red rocks/carpark
- > Retirement village
- > School (field) and school hall
- > Select suitable houses in the community
- > Tawatawa Reserve/ Dog Park

What facilities could be used for temporary shelter if people can't stay at homes or with friends?

- > Bata factory
- > Carlucci Land
- > Community – people that have spare rooms/beds
- > Garages
- > Industrial area
- > Landfills x3

- > Schools



Water

Our community has access to clean water for drinking and water for cooking and hygiene purposes.

- > Ensure everyone knows how to treat drinking water.
- > Coordinate community water sources for drinking, cooking and hygiene.
- > Arrange a place in the community where water can be distributed if needed.



Water reservoirs are all around the region but automatically seal if lines are damaged. Technicians must manually attend to the valves. This will take time so look for other sources of water within the community right away.

Some schools and community centres have large water tanks installed. If there is one in your community check to see what their plan is for using the water.



Local streams and open bodies of water are not reliable sources of clean water. Chemical pollution and heavy metal contamination is not removed by boiling water or adding bleach.

Treat any non-bottled water. Boil it if you can, if not use bleach to treat.

BEST CHOICE: BOIL. Boiling water will kill most types of disease-causing organisms. If water is cloudy, filter it through a clean cloth. Boil water for one minute, let it cool, and store it in clean containers with covers.

IF YOU CAN'T BOIL: ADD BLEACH. Bleach will kill some (not all) types of disease-causing organisms. Just like boiling, filter cloudy water through a clean cloth first. Use only regular, unscented, liquid household bleach. Add two drops of bleach per litre of water. Stir well, let stand for 30 minutes before using, then store in clean containers with covers.

Where can we find drinking water?

- > Backyard tanks
- > Bottles at home for emergency use
- > Dairy by T&T Landfill
- > School tank
- > Tap @ Red Rocks Visitor Centre

How do we get water to people who are unable to leave their homes?

- > Buckets at home



- > Cargo bikes
- > Containers filled from safe source and transported
- > Spare bottles at home
- > Team of people to carry

Where can we find water for washing and cleaning?

- > Collecting rainwater
- > School tank
- > Stream if clear

What water supplies should be avoided or need treatment before drinking?

- > Emergency Tanks
- > Grey water
- > Pool water
- > Springs and waterfalls
- > Stagnant water
- > Storm water
- > Stream water

What places would be good distribution points?

- > Boat Ramp Carpark
- > Red Rocks Carpark
- > School

- > Severn St/Frobisher St Corner
- > Sports field/changing rooms



Food

People in our community have enough food to sustain them.

- > Organise a way to feed large groups of people who are displaced or do not have food of their own.
- > Coordinate food supplies in the community.



Assist with the coordination of food supplies in the community where necessary.

Encourage people to share food with those who don't have access to it.

Tell people to use foods in the refrigerator first, then those in the freezer, and finally dried goods from the pantry.

Pool community resources to feed everyone

- Street BBQs
- Have places where excess food can be coordinated from

What food suppliers and providers are there?

- > Beach house Café
- > Brooklyn Shops
- > Coffee Cart
- > Community Gardens
- > Gardens
- > Pantries and emergency supplies
- > Supermarket

Where else could we find food?

- > Café
- > Emergency Supplies
- > Farm and foraging, fishing
- > Seafoods

How could we organise to feed large groups of people?

- > Community BBQ
- > Owhiro Bay School and Kindy as organising areas
- > Register people able to cook/run food

Where can we get cooking and catering supplies?

- > BBQ
- > Big Air Gym (Kitchen)
- > Camping stuff
- > Gas/Portable cookers



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- > School
 - > Tramping groups

How do we get food to people who are unable to leave their homes?

- > Bike drop offs
- > Organise delivery
- > Quad bikes
- > Walking groups to check and deliver



Animal Welfare

Animals in our community have access to medical assistance, shelter, water, and food.

- > Identify and coordinate locations and people for medical assistance for animals
- > Identify locations for animal shelter
- > Identify potential sources of food and water
- > Keep a record of lost and found pets

What animal services are in the area? (e.g., veterinary clinics, animal control, shelters, stock agents, stock truck companies)

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What facilities could be used for temporary shelter for animals?

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Where could we find drinking water for animals?

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Where could we find food for animals? (companion animals & production animals)

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