



Age Concern Tauranga

KEEPING YOU CONNECTED

Office Phone: 07 578 2631

Applying for a rates rebate 1 July 2021 to 30 June 2022

The amount of the rebate depends on your income, how much you pay in rates and the number of dependants you have. Your income is based on the tax year ending 31 March and includes your spouse's income. You can make one application per household.

The maximum rebate for this rating year is \$665.

If you qualify for a rates rebate, this will be applied to your rates account. You must pay the remaining instalment balances by the due date. If you have paid your annual rates in full for the current rating year, you can request a refund of your rates rebate.

You can apply for a rates rebate at any time during the rating year you are applying for, but the rebate can't be backdated for previous rating years.

Can people living in retirement villages apply?

Most retirement village residents are able to apply. If you hold a licence to occupy agreement, a separate form is required to be filled in by the retirement village operator and must be included with this form. Contact your village operator or local council for more information.

Applications are available at the Customer Service Centre at 21 Devonport Road, Tauranga or your local library. Online forms, go to www.govt.nz/assets/Documents/Housing-and-property/rates-rebate-application-2021-2022.pdf

Note: Applications close on 30 June 2022 and cannot be accepted after this date.

Winter Energy Payment 1st May 2022

If you get NZ Super or Veteran's Pension, you will be entitled to get the Winter Energy Payment all winter, from 1 May until 1 October. The payment is made automatically, you don't need to apply.

As 1 May is part way through the pay period, your first payment will be less than the full amount. You'll be paid the full amount in the following payment (24 May).

The Winter Energy Payment is to help with the cost of keeping your home warm and dry, and other costs over winter, so you won't need to worry when you turn the heater on.

Couples and people with dependent children will get \$31.82 a week. Single people will get \$20.46 a week.

If you want to opt out of getting this payment or you want to opt back in to get it, please complete the 'Stop or restart Winter Energy Payment' online form, or call the Senior Services contact centre **0800 552 002**.

Travelling overseas

If you're heading away from New Zealand over the winter months, you can keep getting your Winter Energy Payment for up to 28 days.

It's really important you let MSD know if you'll be away for more than 28 days, otherwise they might pay you too much and have to ask for the money back. Don't forget to get in touch when you return from your travels so your payment can be started again.



Our Vision: Older people live a valued life in an inclusive society.



Staying Safe

a refresher course for older drivers



This FREE classroom based course will help you re-familiarise yourself with traffic rules and safe driving practices. It will also increase your knowledge about other transport options and help you remain independent for longer.

Upcoming Courses

Time: 10am to 2.15pm

DATE: Wednesday 11 May

VENUE: Papamoa Community Centre. 15 Gravatt Rd

DATE: Tuesday 24 May

VENUE: Omokoroa Settlers' Hall. 334 Omokoroa Rd

DATE: Wednesday 25 May

VENUE: Greerton Senior Citizens Hall. 33 Maitland St

DATE: Wednesday 1 June

VENUE: Mount Maunganui RSA. 544 Maunganui Rd

DATE: Friday 10 June

VENUE: Tauranga Senior Citizens Hall. 14 Norris St

DATE: Tuesday 14 June

VENUE: Katikati Community Centre. 45 Beach Rd

DATE: Wednesday 22 June

VENUE: St Stephens Church Hall. 9 Brookfield Tce

Registration is essential, please call us on 07 5782631

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Age Concern Tauranga Incorporated ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING NOTICE

Thursday 30 June 2022

10.15am to 12.00pm

Held at the Tauranga Citizens Club upstairs lounge, 70 Thirteenth Avenue, Tauranga.

Guest Speaker: To be confirmed

All Welcome

Age Concern Tauranga Incorporated Board Member 2022 Nomination Form

We the undersigned nominate:

Name of candidate: _____

To be **Board Member** of the Age Concern Tauranga Board.

Nominated by Age Concern Tauranga Member:

Name: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Seconded by Age Concern Tauranga Member:

Name: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Consent

I consent to my nomination to the Age Concern Tauranga board.

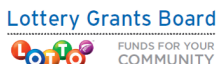
Nominee's Signature

Date

Nominee: Please be prepared to introduce yourself at the Annual General Meeting June .

Completed form must be received at the Age Concern Tauranga office by 2.30pm Wednesday 22 June 2022.

Age Concern Tauranga thank the following Funders and Sponsors for their continued support:



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Would you like more company?



If you are feeling lonely, or would just like more social contact, it's important to do something about it, and Age Concern can help. Our Visiting Service is a befriending service that provides regular visits to older people who would like more company.

Having a visitor can make a real difference.

Lucy, our Visiting Service coordinator will come to see you at home, to get to know you and find out about your interests. She will then match you with a carefully chosen, trained volunteer who will visit you for about an hour each week.

For more information phone our office on 578 2631.

Help Us Continue to Help

Did you know we are building an enduring **Age Concern Tauranga Fund** through the Acorn Foundation?

This endowment fund will allow us to have an even greater impact in our community, now and in the future.

Through your generosity, you can contribute to the growth of our fund by leaving a gift in your will, or donating during your lifetime.

Donate online now: acornfoundation.org.nz/funding/community_group_funds.



Contact us on **07 578 2631** or call the Acorn Foundation on **07 579 9839** for more information.



*We would like to acknowledge **Bodmin Charitable Trust** for their very generous donation to **Age Concern Tauranga** and supporting the services we provide in the community.*



Age Concern is excited to launch the

MENS' LEGO GROUP

Friday mornings
10.00am—11.30am

Cost \$2 per person

LEGO has proven to assist in stimulating and maintaining brain function, as well as the ability to hone manual dexterity in seniors.

Since a large population of senior citizens come down with memory loss and motor skill difficulty.

LEGO can serve as a therapy to help stimulate brains from degenerating.

LEGO therapy is linked to help people to rediscover communication skills and encourage them to socialise.

Come and join like-minded men for a morning of building, creating, and socialising.

Please phone the office to register your expression of Interest



2022 / 2023 Subscriptions

Age Concern Tauranga's Membership period is from 1st April to 31st March

To renew your membership or join as a new member, please complete the details on the back page of this newsletter, cut it out and call into the office to make a cash payment .

Eftpos available (sorry no credit card payments) OR if you would like internet banking

Our account details are:

Age Concern Tauranga Inc **03 0445 0172665 00**

Please use your initial and surname as reference.

What's On

Monthly Meeting

When: Thursday 26 May 2022

Where: Tauranga Citizens Club,
170 13th Avenue, Tauranga

Time: 10.00am—11.00am

Cost: \$4pp tea/coffee provided

Guest Speaker: Nick Chester
Inclusive Cities Advisor-
Tauranga City Council

Topic: Age Friendly Cities

Everyone Welcome

500 Card Group

Have you always
wanted to play 500
but don't know
how?



We will teach you. A friendly fun
group gets together at 9.30am
until 11.30am every Monday
(except Public holidays) held at
Age Concern, 177a Fraser Street,
Tauranga.

Gold coin donation appreciated.

Light refreshments provided.

Coffee &



Conversation Groups

*Do you miss having someone to chat
with over a relaxing cuppa? Then
come and join our Coffee and
Conversation Group to meet others
who are friendly and like-minded.*

**For catering purposes please
register your interest by
phoning Age Concern on 578 2631.**

When: Wednesday 4 May &
Wednesday 1 June

Time: 10.30am to 12.00pm

Where: St Stephen's Methodist
Church Hall, 9 Brookfield
Terrace, Brookfield, Tauranga

Cost: \$3.00pp

Te Puke Group— New Venue

When: Tuesday 10 May &
Tuesday 14 June

Time: 10.30am to 12.00pm

Where: Citizens RSA Te Puke
179 Jellicoe Street, Te Puke

Cost: \$5.00pp

Greerton Group

When: Thursday 12 May &
Thursday 9 June

Time: 10.30am to 12.00pm

Where: Greerton Senior Citizens Hall,
33 Maitland Street, Greerton.

Cost: \$3.00pp

Mt Maunganui Group

When: Wednesday 18 May &
Wednesday 18 June

Time: 10.30am to 12.00pm

Where: Mt Maunganui RSA, 544
Maunganui Road.

Cost: \$3.00pp

Wednesday Walking Group

*All groups leave at 10.00am
unless advised*

Wednesday 11 May

Meet at Briscoes, Chapel Street.

Wednesday 18 May

Meet at Maungatapu shops.

Wednesday 25 May

(meet at 8.30am)

Maketu outing (carpool—ring Renee
if interested on 576 6699 or
022 156 3408)

Wednesday 1 June

Meet at The Lakes—Lakeview bus
stop.

Wednesday 8 June

Meet at Bayfair Shopping Centre,
Farm St.



Age Concern Tauranga Membership Form

Please forward your subscription with this form to: Age Concern Tauranga, 177a Fraser Street, Tauranga 3112

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Name: Email:

Address: Postcode:

Phone: Mobile: D.O.B.:/...../.....

New Member Existing Member Receive magazine by email

Pakeha (NZ European) NZ Maori European (incl. British) Pacifica Other:

Subscription per household \$25.00 (1st April 2021 to 31st March 2022)

Donation: \$5 / \$10 / \$20 / \$50 / \$..... other **EFTPOS available. Sorry no credit card payments accepted.**

Internet Banking: 03-0445-0172665-00 Westpac (e.g. Particulars—Sub, Reference—Surname & Initial)

Donations help us to continue to promote the welfare of older people in Tauranga and are welcomed.

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