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Participants of New Resident Magazine

## SUMMER BLOCK PARTY

DEC 2022

We celebrated the end of the year with our ARCC Block Party on Saturday, 17 December. We had delicious BBQ and cultural food, a performance from the Zomi community, and gave out awards for community members and staff. We thanked everyone for their hard work over 2022, and we look forward to seeing you all in 2023!

## NEW RESIDENT MAGAZINE VOL.2

DEC 2022

ARCC launched our New Resident Magazine Vol 02 on December 17, 2022, with families, community leaders, friends, and supporters. We are grateful for over 100 participants, especially our storytellers from New Resident Magazine vol. 02 including Shoukat, Mary, Yousuf, and Nila who share their stories of struggles & Success.

## PIZZA PARTY AND SURVEY FOR WOMEN AND YOUTH

NOV 2022

For our in-person Programmes Needs Assessment event (for women and youth), we had pizza and discussed the survey. The feedback from our Needs Assessment survey will be used to inform our programmes in 2023. If you filled out the survey and haven't yet received your voucher, please email sandy@arcc.org.nz.

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## ASSESSMENT SURVEY FOR COMMUNITY LEADERS

OCT NOV 2022

We want to thank all the community leaders who filled out our Programmes Needs Assessment survey over October and November. Your feedback will be used to improve all our programmes in 2023. If you filled out the survey and haven't yet received your voucher, please email [sandy@arcc.org.nz](mailto:sandy@arcc.org.nz).

## BTG PROJECT UPDATE

NOV 2022

On the 5th of November, the community representatives came together for the 4th time to discuss on the project notes from the 3rd round of family dinner visits and to understand the solutions for the issues identified from the eight families. This meeting was led by the two group facilitators, Prof. Dory, and Stewart.

At the end of Stage 3 of this project, facilitators, Community Representatives, and families gathered together to look at the draft outcomes of this project, draft solutions for the issues identified and to identify any additional issues which were not mentioned in the draft outcomes. All of the community representatives and most of the families were present at the final gathering of 2022. It was a successful gathering where the summary of the draft outcomes of the project (stage 3) was presented and understood by the participants of this BtG project. This meeting was held on the 26th of November at Fickling Convention Centre.



## COMMUNITY CASE IMPACT

Mrs. F and family came to New Zealand through RQP from Syria in 2016. Since they arrived here in NZ, they were assigned to live in Porirua Wellington. During their stay, someone broke into their house, so they moved to another social housing in Wellington City in 2020. After that, they moved to their current social housing in Avondale, Auckland. They are having problems with the neighbours regards to parking issue at this current house. They also do not feel safe in this neighbourhood as there are fights going on involving guns and knives. They have reported to the police several times regards to the parking issue. The police came and asked the neighbours to move their car. Thus, they applied for housing transfer back to Wellington 2 years ago. At first their application sits in A20 priority but was moved down to A18. They met and discussed with their Tenancy Manager, but they were advised to look for the private rental. ARCC Community Support Coordinator and Community Support Worker worked closely with the family to provide the housing and WINZ related problems which they are facing. ARCC wrote a support letter regards to the housing transfer to WINZ and local MP office. Community Support Worker was constantly in touch with the Housing Assessment Unit in MSD. After the officer from the housing assessment unit in MSD visited Mrs. F's house to do the assessment for their house transfer, their case has been transferred to Wellington and they are looking for a suitable house for them. A few days later, Mrs. F and her family have been given a social housing in Porirua, Wellington. They are very happy about this and thankful to ARCC as they believe this process has been faster due to ARCC Support Letter.





## YOUTH SOCCER TOURNAMENT

NOV 2022

The ARCC Youth had an incredible experience with 08 diverse teams from Auckland and Hamilton participating. Each team displayed excellent sportsmanship and gave it their all on the field. The Ethio Lion team emerged victorious as champions for the first time, with Afg United coming in as runners-up. If your team was unable to participate in this tournament, don't worry, as we will be hosting another one next year

## MEETING WITH THE MINISTER OF IMMIGRATION

NOV 2022

Aotearoa Resettled Community Coalition (ARCC) expresses its gratitude to the Honorable Michael Wood, Minister of Immigration New Zealand, for taking the time to meet with our staff and board. During the meeting, we presented our proposal to assist in addressing any deficiencies within the current New Zealand resettlement process. It was a significant occasion for the ARCC as it marked the first visit of a Minister of Immigration New Zealand to our office.

## RESETT TV TALK

DEC 2022

The eighth episode of Resett TV Talks was broadcast on Facebook on December 31, 2022. This episode marked the final installment of the year for Resett TV Talks. In this episode, we look back on the accomplishments and successes of the Aotearoa Resettled Community Coalition (ARCC) over the course of the year, respond to questions submitted by our followers, and cover additional relevant topics.

## ITI REAREA COLLECTIVE – NEST & SOAR PROGRAMME (PART 2)

DEC 2022

The second cohort of the NEST Business Start-Up Program has successfully concluded on December 10, 2022. This 12-week program aimed to empower individuals from migrant backgrounds to create their own businesses, by providing them with a comprehensive understanding of the New Zealand business system and the skills to develop their own financial and business plans.

We would like to extend our gratitude to all participants, partners, and sponsors, who have made this program possible. The next phase of the business course, the SOAR Business Coaching Program, is scheduled to begin soon, which will involve one-on-one mentoring and coaching for individuals starting or struggling with their existing businesses.

We are pleased to announce that 20 scholarships are available for the upcoming cohort of the NEST Business Start-Up Program, scheduled to begin in April 2023. Interested individuals can contact the ARCC Community Support Coordinator, Hnin Pwint Soe, at [pwint@arcc.org.nz](mailto:pwint@arcc.org.nz) for more information or to apply.





**UPCOMING!**

**MEMBERS LEADERSHIP NETWORK**

3 FEB 2023

We extend a warm invitation to esteemed community leaders to attend our first meeting of the year 2023. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the results of our Needs Assessment Survey for our programs, provide updates from ARCC, and to enjoy a pleasant dinner together.

The meeting will take place at the Fickling Convention Centre, Lynfield Room, located at 546 Mt Albert Road, Three Kings. The date and time of the meeting is Friday, February 3rd, from 5:00pm to 7:00pm.

We look forward to the opportunity to engage in meaningful discussions and to further strengthen our community through this gathering. Please RSVP by January 31st to confirm your attendance

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

- MEMBERS LEADERSHIP NETWORK
- RESETT TV TALKS

**NOTICE**

- ARCC'S OFFICE IS OPEN. APPOINTMENTS & WALKINS ARE WELCOME.

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Summer Block Party