



## ODCOSS Newsletter October 2023

A reminder about the ODCOSS network. ODCOSS aims to network with social service deliverers, community groups and individuals to help support initiatives that have common goals for the wellbeing of people who live work and play in the area that a long time ago was the old Onehunga Borough council area. This area included Te Papapa and Oranga, so all groups in those areas are welcome to take part in the organisation if they wish to do so.

We are considering looking for another Co-ordinator. The position could interest a person with excellent communication skills who is looking for part time work that deals with the delivery of social services within the local Onehunga area. If you, or someone you know, could be interested in this please contact us at the contacts at the end of the newsletter. In the meantime, Stuart Lithgow is acting as our interim Co-ordinator.

### **Up and coming events: -**

#### **Sneaker Friday**

This is 17 November 2023 and is in support of the many New Zealanders who suffer from diabetes.

To get involved: -

1. Wear your sneakers on Sneaker Friday
2. Donate online to assist those people
3. Check out the website for events near you

4. [www.dibetesactionmonth.org.nz](http://www.dibetesactionmonth.org.nz) use the QR code to find out more.



#### **St. Joseph's 175 Jubilee**

St. Joseph's is one of New Zealand's oldest schools, starting in 1848, and is celebrating this weekend, 27, 28 and 29 October. Use the QR code to find out more.



#### **Onehunga Christmas Parade**

This will be Saturday 2 December, starting at 11 am with a fun activities after the parade, including meeting up with Santa. If you would like your group to take part in the parade,

either walking or on a float, google Onehunga Christmas Parade 2023 and you will find how to register there. Otherwise, keep it in mind to go and watch, and take part in the fun afterwards.

**To think about: -**

### **The [Auckland Climate Response Grants](#)**

This is now open for applications. If your group is active in this direction, it would be worth considering.

When: Now thru October 23rd

Where: Auckland

Who for: Community groups focused on climate action

If you have any questions or would like some advice, feel free to get in touch with our [Climate Change Activator](#), Simon.

### **EcoMatters Homes**

Ecomatters Homes Environment Trust and Auckland Council are offering free [Healthy Homes workshops](#)

When, Where & Who for: Workshops run for an hour, including time for questions, and can be booked for any day and time.

To find out more visit their [website](#) or contact [Myrthe@ecomatters.org.nz](mailto:Myrthe@ecomatters.org.nz)

## Recent Events: -



The recent school holiday art class at Shiloh.

Website: [www.shilohcentre.org.nz](http://www.shilohcentre.org.nz)

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/Shiloh-Creative-Life-Centre-296909877769958/>

A scene from the recent Repair Café held at the Onehunga Recycling Centre. We will keep you informed about the next one to be held.



We will be having our final ODCOSS meeting for the year in the second half of November, and will let you know further details shortly.

