Citizens **Advice** Bureau



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Citizens Advice Bureau Christchurch Area Brief Overview June 21, 2023





WHO WE ARE AND WHAT WE DO

Our volunteers:

- •*Help* individuals know their rights and responsibilities, and all services available.
- Exert a responsible influence on the development of social policies and services at all levels.
- •Offer free and confidential information and support
- Make sure clients know and understand their rights and obligations.
- •*Help* people to help themselves

100 Volunteers and 1 paid employee





7,645 Client Interviews June 1, 2022 – May 31, 2023

Top 10 Enquiry type

- 1 Legal and Government
- 2 Consumer
- 3 Family and Personal
- 4 Housing and Land
- 5 Finance and Benefits
- 6 Employment and Business
- 7 Community
- 8 Health
- 9 Education
- 10- Other



What we need

- closer relationship with and support from CCC
- •greater understanding of what we do, its value to the community and how we can work together

What we propose

Meeting with a smaller group to explore other engagement and resourcing possibilities

FOOD for thought

*we are facing a significant deficit for coming year

Current CAB funding levels from City Councils

- Christchurch funding 3 bureaux from CCC \$5,000 (per bureau)
- •Auckland funding 32 bureaux from ACC \$68,750 (pb)
- •Wellington funding 5 bureaux from WCC \$46,080 (pb)



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Thank you Kia ora

Not sure? ASK US.