# Changemaker Fund – Round 1

Change *is* Possible and men all over Aotearoa are proving it every day. From the group of dads in Masterton who wrangle toddlers and life's challenges over coffee, to the men in Whanganui who support each other to be safe and loving partners, and the South Auckland Barbershop that holds safe space to talk with every man that sits in their chairs.

All across the motu, there are men stepping up to become changemakers, that lead community initiatives which show that change is possible. As changemakers bravely tell their own stories of healing and change, or simply are everyday men that hold space for others, they allow other men to learn, grow and become better versions of themselves too.

We've launched the **Changemaker Fund** to support initiatives that give permission for men to explore and adopt positive and safer ways to lead in their roles as partners, fathers, brothers and mates. We're accepting applications from Monday 22 May 2023 for up to \$30,000 for individuals, groups or organisations that are leading change with men in their communities.

# Are you a changemaker? Does your kaupapa align with the Change is Possible movement? Let's unpack.

**Changemakers** model that change is possible through community initiatives. They lead change by promoting positive forms of masculinity, challenging harmful gender and social norms, and holding safe spaces for men to support each other. Changemakers lead from their own experience of healing and change. They are a trusted voice — giving other men permission to heal, grow, and become a changemaker too.

**Change is Possible** is a movement led by changemakers. The movement gives men permission to explore and adopt positive and safer ways to lead in their roles as partners, fathers, brothers, and mates. As more men learn and grow in their own journey, so too does the collective of changemakers that drive the Change is Possible movement.

Sound like you? Read on.

# The Changemaker Fund Criteria:

We're looking for initiatives that give men the tools to become better and safer versions of themselves. We trust that you know your community best and welcome your creative approaches to leading change. All we need to know is that your mahi meets at least **three** of the following criteria:

- ✓ Engages men in healing and change
- ✓ Tells a story of hope and change to other men
- ✓ Promotes positive forms of masculinity
- ✓ Demonstrates supportive peer relationships
- $\checkmark$  Demonstrates ways in which men can safely express themselves and grow
- ✓ Encourages fathers to be present and engaged with their children
- $\checkmark$  Gives men permission to safely share, connect and be vulnerable
- $\checkmark$  Promotes help seeking amongst men in ways that are safe and inclusive
- $\checkmark$  Offers opportunities for men to learn, practice and create safe relationships
- $\checkmark$  Increases motivation for men to question their past experiences and behaviours
- $\checkmark$   $\,$  Increases community support for safe relationships and positive change
- $\checkmark$  Increases men's support for each other to heal, change and seek help
- ✓ Increases understanding of how gender roles, norms and structures contribute to men's violence against women

#### Here's what we don't fund:

- Delivering services to the community (such as stopping violence services)
- Operational costs other than reasonable project overheads
- Capital items such as computers, vehicles and equipment
- Political advocacy (for example, lobbying the government)
- Activities or programmes that take place outside of New Zealand
- Activities that have already taken place by the application closing date

We're looking to build partnerships with changemakers across the motu that expand beyond funding. We encourage you to read the next section `working in partnership' to learn about how we intend to work together. Once you're done, if you feel like your idea or kaupapa aligns, then we'd love to hear from you.

# Working in partnership

We're looking to establish partnerships with changemakers across the motu beyond offering funding opportunities. If your application is successful, we'd like to build a meaningful relationship with you and support you to achieve the change you seek.

#### Here are some of the ways we intend to work together:

- We'd like to connect you with other likeminded men and groups for collaborative opportunities that further support the Change is Possible movement.
- We'll lean on the skillsets of our team and some of our partners to support you in achieving the changes you seek. In the past, that's looked like connecting with mentors, tools, resources or skill-sharing so that you can learn and grow.
- We understand that being a changemaker comes with great responsibility and, sometimes, pressure. We want to make sure there are healthy support measures in place to keep you and your team safe while you carry out your mahi.
- We want to walk with you in your journey from beginning to end. For us, that means supporting you to evaluate your work in a meaningful way. Don't worry, we're not referring to check boxes and forms. We want to unpack the stories and learnings in conversation with you so that we can both learn from your initiative and tell your stories in ways that can inspire others.

Working in partnership is a key element to the way we work. If you're up for the challenge and ready to dig into the work, get an application to us or give us a call to discuss.

Every changemaker has a story, and we want to hear yours. We want to understand how this fund can support you in creating the changes you wish to see.

Before you begin filling in the application form, you'll need the following supporting documents. We suggest gathering this information together first.

#### **Application Requirements**

- Your completed *Changemaker Fund Application Form*
- If you're not operating as a legal entity, you will need to identify a Fundholder who can receive funding on your behalf if your application is successful. If you don't have a relationship with a Fundholder, <u>don't stress</u>, we can help you.
- 1x written character reference from a member of your initiative or community
- Your story, either in writing via the attached editable form, a 5–6-minute video or a 5-6 minute voice message instead.
- When you're done, email your application form and the documents requested above to <u>changeispossible@msd.govt.nz</u>

If you have any questions, please contact Senior Advisor Alex Ness on (029) 953 3223 or email: <u>alex.ness003@msd.govt.nz</u>

#### Applications must be submitted by 5pm on 9 June 2023

# Part One: Information about your Organisation & Project

** Fill this page in if you're operating as a legal entity		
If you're not operating as a legal entity, please skip to the next page where you'll need to provide details about your Fundholder.		
Name of Organisation		
Legal Name		
(Funding grants can only be made to a registered legal entity. If your organisation is not a legally registered entity, a Fundholder that is a legally registered entity can be nominated to hold the fund on behalf of you organisation)		
Legal Status		
Company Registration No		
Ministry of Social Development		
(MSD) ID No		
(If you have been previously funded by MSD, this can be found in the footer of your MSD grant/contract document)		
Organisation Physical Address		
Key Contact Person & Role		
Email Address		
Phone Number		
Mobile Number		

### **Part Two: Fundholder Details**

#### \*\*Fill this section ONLY if you plan to use a Fundholder

If you're not a legal entity (e.g. a company or registered charitable organisation), you'll need to identity a Fundholder who could receive funding on your behalf.

If you don't have a Fundholder, let us know by ticking the box below and if your application is successful, we'll work with you to find one.

<ul> <li>** Fill this page in if you are not operating as a legal entity and have identified a Fundholder that will accept funding on your behalf if your application is successful.</li> <li>** If you are not operating as a legal entity and do not have a Fundholder please skip to the bottom of this page and tick the box to let us know you will need help. We strongly recommend that you submit your application early if this is the case.</li> </ul>		
Legal Status of Fundholder		
<i>Company Registration Number of Fundholder</i>		
<i>Key Contact Person &amp; Role (From the Fundholder Organisation)</i>		
Fundholder Physical Address		
Email		
Phone Number		
Mobile Phone Number		



#### Please tick the box if you need help finding a Fundholder.

\* We recommend that if you don't have a Fundholder that you submit your application ASAP.

# Part Three: Funding Details

Funding Requested (GST excl)	
If your application is successful, outline how you will use the funding to support your initiatives and goals	
<i>Is your organisation registered for GST and your GST number</i>	

### Funding Required (up to \$30,000)

#### **Referee Details**

Name of an independent referee	
Referee Contact Name and role	
Phone Number	
Email Address	
Address	

### Part Four: Tell Us Your Story

To make things easy, you have a couple of ways to tell us your story.

- 1) Fill in the form below or,
- 2) Send us a 6–8-minute video that answers the questions or,
- 3) Send us a 6–8-minute voice message that answers the questions

#### Tell us about you or your organisation

### What is your idea or initiative?

#### Please select which 3 (or more) criteria your initiative is contributing towards:

- □ Engages men in healing and change
- □ Tells a story of hope and change to other men
- □ Promotes positive forms of masculinity
- □ Demonstrates supportive peer relationships
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#### And tell us how your initiative can achieve this.

Tell us about the men that you're trying to impact and why. Be sure to tell us about the setting they're in too. i.e., barbershop, rugby club, parenting group.

### How do you plan to engage the men?

Tell us how your initiative is already working in community with others. If your initiative is new, tell us what experience you already have with your community and this type of work that might support you.

### Tell us what the future of your initiative could look like

### How open are you to working in partnership with our team?

Share with us anything else that you think helps tell the story of your project.