

# Resilience Fund Application Form

This form provides the minimum information for the application. A detailed project plan should be developed to inform this application and may be attached.

Project title	Multi-lingual Children's Storybook – storms and floods
Date of application	26 January 2022
<b>Details on application</b>	
Applicant <i>[CDEM Group must endorse/sponsor all applications]</i>	Rebecca Long, Senior Advisor Community Resilience, Auckland Emergency Management
Sponsoring CDEM Group	Auckland Emergency Management
Other local authorities, Groups or organisations supporting this proposal	Auckland Council Departments: Resilient Land and Coasts, Healthy Waters, Parks, Sport and Recreation, Chief Sustainability Office Hawkes Bay CDEM Group Wellington Region Emergency Management Office (WREMO) Emergency Management Southland Whakatane Emergency Management Marlborough Emergency Management Bhartiya Samaj Charitable Trust Asian Family Services English Language Partners (Central & West Auckland) Belong Aotearoa Pacific Reference Group, Red Cross Red Cross (Humanitarian Development team) Scouts NZ Girl Guides NZ
<b>Project description</b>	
Executive summary <i>[200 words maximum]</i>	
<p>Create four new multi-lingual children's storybooks that draw from the cultural knowledge, beliefs, traditions, and legends of four key community languages (with English translation) relating to storms and flooding (top hazards in Auckland) and related weather events e.g. drought.</p> <p>The proposed languages are Te Reo, Mandarin (simplified Chinese), Hindi and Samoan, being the most commonly spoken and important languages across Auckland. These communities are</p>	

shaped by strong oral traditions and a good narrative will support them to raise awareness about hazards, risks and preparedness.

We will work closely with ethnic and migrant community groups, and children to encourage input and feedback on the design and development of the project through co-design and collective impact approaches.

These printed storybooks will teach tamariki between 4 and 7 years and their whānau how to mitigate the risk and prepared for flooding and storms. They will be shared with libraries, schools, and early childhood centres.

This project replicates the successful process and engagement outcomes from Te Hīkoi a Rūaumoko, an early childhood book based on local purakau relating to earthquake and tsunami.

From our engagement use of Rūaumoko's Walk, and co-designed approach with other adult resources in these languages we know there is an appetite for child focused resources.

#### Challenge/opportunity [200 words maximum]

Aotearoa, but especially Auckland, has a wide diversity of cultures and languages. Auckland has 200+ ethnicities speaking multiple languages. We can capitalise on these cultures to produce children's stories reflecting cultural legends, beliefs and values to teach children how to be prepared and resilient to emergencies. Research shows that ethnically diverse people have lower rates of preparedness than most New Zealanders.

Effective community engagement and disaster resilience communication needs to be inclusive. These books create opportunities to engage with our ethnically diverse communities and co-design stories based on cultural beliefs and traditions. Auckland Emergency Management already works with ethnically diverse communities and this offers an opportunity to engage with their tamariki.

Since 2002, 56 declared states of emergencies for flooding and storms in New Zealand have occurred. The repercussions can cause a long recovery for communities with severe psychosocial impacts on children.

A printed storybook can help children understand and prepare for these emergencies. It creates opportunities for intergenerational learning sharing cultural oral stories and traditions.

Online, interactive, spoken versions of the books by community leaders to increase the accessibility could arise. This is not included in this funding request but could be investigated once the books are developed.

#### Alignment with priorities and objectives of the National Disaster Resilience Strategy (NDRS) [200 words maximum]

Children and young people are identified in the National Disaster Resilience Strategy (NDRS), 2019, as disproportionately affected by disasters. The effects of disasters are amplified for children and can have a lasting impact on their development.

This project relates to the NDRS priority of enabling, empowering and supporting community resilience: specifically objectives 13, 14 and 18. These objectives link to enabling and empowering individuals, households, organisations and businesses as well as cultivating an environment for social connectedness in our communities through the engagement and design process. The project requires engagement directly with multiple cultural groups to ensure their beliefs, values and stories are accurately captured for the children's storybooks.

As children and young people are agents of change, this makes them not only future leaders of community, but current leaders to influence and encourage their families, schools, peers and

others on the importance of emergency preparedness. This project provides them with the initial stepping stone to develop their knowledge and skills to influence their environment as they grow. The storybooks would be written from their oral language and cultural backgrounds, so the sector is affirming them and their communities as key leaders in disaster resilience in Aotearoa.

Alignment with Principles and Allocation Preferences *[200 words maximum]*

This project is applicable throughout all CDEM groups in Aotearoa and will be shared to all CDEM groups upon development and delivery.

The proposed community languages include Te Reo, Mandarin (simplified Chinese), Hindi and Samoan, each being the most commonly spoken and important languages across Tāmaki Makarau. For the latter three, these languages also have communities in other CDEM Group rohe and can be used there. For Te Reo Māori there may be dialect differences.

We believe this project strongly aligns with the National Disaster Resilience Strategy and will help enhance New Zealand's hazard risk resilience, as well as make a difference to the preparedness and disaster resilience of tamariki in ethnic and migrant communities, and the children's families.

This project contributes to local community capability building and developing emergency response practices.

This project recognises the role of Māori in emergency management (as reflected in the purakau) and also affirms the role our ethnic and migrant communities have and the influence these communities have in our society. Each community language that the book is written in will be based on the cultural values and the knowledge they have to share around storms and floods.

Application of outcomes/benefits to sector *[200 words maximum]*

Aotearoa has many cultural and ethnic groups that live, work and play in areas that can be impacted by storms and floods. It is essential that all have a plan on how they can best mitigate, prepare and respond to these common emergencies.

This project builds the sector's inclusiveness of disproportionately affected communities, both ethnic, migrant and young people, as well as increases CDEM's responsiveness to and with these communities.

The storybooks provide excellent opportunities for community resilience engagement and collaboration between CDEM groups and these communities. This process helps build whakawhanaungatanga, allows better understanding of emergencies, roles and responsibilities and builds community trust with agencies responsible for emergency messaging. Ultimately this contributes to better response outcomes for communities.

The project will be evaluated to ensure the effectiveness of this approach.

This engagement also offers the CDEM sector insight into the values and beliefs of New Zealand's ethnically diverse communities and obtain a better understanding of the rich cultural resources in Auckland and New Zealand.

Ultimately, we wish to be inclusive and respectful of our diverse communities and ensure their values are integrated into all aspects of the work we do in the emergency sector.

Ongoing costs (post-project) and how it will be funded *[200 words maximum]*

It is anticipated that CDEM groups will self-fund the ongoing printing of the storybook they wish to have disseminated in their community. We will work those groups who are interested to get bulk printing deals so the per unit costs are as low as possible.

The dissemination of the books across Tamaki Mākaurau should not incur costs as this will be done by local ethnic and migrant networks, and via schools, early childhood centres, libraries and health providers.

Should there be a need for a narrated version of these storybooks, Auckland Emergency Management will work with NEMA to source funding for this.

### Project design

Project manager	Rohan Jaduram, Community Resilience Manager, Auckland Emergency Management
Other project members	Rebecca Long, Taipu Haunui-Tawhiao, Krystal McLarin
External providers/contractors	To be sourced
NEMA resource (if needed)	

### Deliverables *[Note: payments will be made after successful completion of milestones identified]*

Key milestones	Date for completion	Cost (invoice amount)
Initial community engagement for story base	30 September 2022	\$2,000
Development/writing of each story	15 December 2022	\$35,000
Translation of each story to English and/or other language if written in English	31 January 2023	\$10,000
Design and artwork	10 April 2023	\$25,000
Initial print run for Community Engagement in Auckland in 2023/24	15 May 2023	\$10,000
Evaluation	30 June 2023	\$3,500

### Identified risks

Risks	Suggested mitigation / management
Lack of community engagement	Project manager and project team will ensure a detailed explanation of the project and what it entails so that the community want to engage and provide input to the work.
COVID-19 lockdown/resurgence in Auckland or New Zealand	Work will move to a virtual setting for engagement to ensure that all cultural beliefs and knowledge are still being shared by the community.

Budget	Budget will be carefully monitored throughout the project by the project manager and supported by project team.		
Large scale emergency response for Auckland	<p>Talking through an emergency with our different cultural groups and children and young people will help them to be more prepared if there is a large-scale event.</p> <p>Should a large scale event impact Auckland, Auckland Emergency Management has contingencies in place to ensure that staff associated with important business-as-usual projects like this can still progress this work.</p>		
<b>Funding request and use</b>			
CDEM Resilience Fund contribution	\$85,500		
Local authority / organisation contribution	\$3,500		
Other sources of funding or support	<p>This is a priority project for Auckland Emergency Management's Community Resilience Unit's Prepared and Ready Tamariki and Rangatahi programme.</p> <p>There will be a full-time staff member allocated to delivering this project.</p> <p>Auckland Emergency Management will cover ongoing printing costs of the storybooks once developed.</p>		
Budget <i>[please supply spreadsheet]</i>	\$85,500		
Applies if application exceeds \$100,000 over the life of the project	Are you prepared to attend an interview in support of this application (if needed)?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Application confirmation</b>			
Is this application from an individual or other organisation		Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Does the CDEM Group support this application? <i>[sign off below confirms support]</i>		Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
Approval of Chief Executive [Chief Executive or Head of the organisation receiving the funding]	 <p>Digitally signed by Paul Amaral Date: 2022.02.01 17:11:22 +13'00'</p>		
	Name: Paul Amaral		
Approval of CEG Chair			
	Name: Jim Stabback		
All communications regarding the application, including approval decisions will be addressed to the Chief Executive and CEG Chair			

<b>CDEM Group comment</b>

Note: Only complete forms will be considered for assessment. All completed forms and supporting documents must be emailed to NEMA at [resilience.fund@nema.govt.nz](mailto:resilience.fund@nema.govt.nz)

NEMA Assessment [internal use only]		
Principles	Yes	No
Local / regional focus	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Values the role of Māori in the Emergency Management System	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
NEMA involvement required	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Allocation Preferences		
Alignment with NDRS	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Achieves equity of outcomes for Māori communities, marae, hapū, iwi and Māori organisations	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Outcome focused	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Applicable in other regions / CDEM Groups	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Supports national consistency	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Wider funding / resource commitment	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Build on existing work	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Operational expenditure (Opex)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Capital expenditure (Capex)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other		
Application from individuals or other organisations endorsed/sponsored by CDEM Group		
<b>NEMA Subject Matter Expert Comment</b>	Supported <input type="checkbox"/>	Not supported <input type="checkbox"/>

NEMA Regional Emergency Management Advisor Comment  Supported  Not supported

NEMA Review Panel Comment  Supported  Not supported

NEMA Director Decision Sign-off  Approved  Declined

**Director of Civil Defence Emergency Management**

# Appendix A Report Template

CDEM Resilience Fund Project Status Report			Date: DD MMMM YY	
Project title				Project number
Project manager		Contact details		
Executive summary of status				
Progress of deliverables				
Milestones	Status (on track, delayed, etc.)		Progress this quarter and next steps	

Identification of any issues (actual or potential)					
	Issue			Mitigation	
Schedule					
Staff resources					
Budget					
Dependencies					
Stakeholders					
Quality					
Other					
Budget					
Activity	Expenditure to date	Budget to date	Full year budget	Budget forecast	Variance

Comment on variance

Confirmation

I confirm the status report is accurately reflected and the invoice amount is correct.

**Project Manager**

**Chief Executive**

**CEG Chair**

Comment by Resilience Fund Coordinator