



12 November 2025

Tēnā koe

Official Information Act request

Thank you for your email of 16 October 2025, requesting information about Emergency Housing in Porirua.

I have considered your request under the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act). Please find my decision on each part of your request set out separately below.

- *The number of Emergency Housing (EH) providers currently accepting clients for emergency housing in Porirua*
- *Who the EH providers are*
- *How many clients are currently in EH in Porirua*

Please see the attached **Appendix** containing a list of emergency housing suppliers that received a grant in respect of a person with an address in Porirua City Territorial Local Authority, and the number of households receiving Emergency Housing Grants in the month of September 2025.

- *How many clients from Porirua are currently on the waitlist for EH*

There is not a waitlist for emergency housing. If a client is eligible for emergency housing, they are placed with one of the Ministry's emergency housing suppliers on the day that their application for an Emergency Housing Grant is approved.

As such, your request for this information is refused under section 18(e) of the Act as this information does not exist or, despite reasonable efforts to locate it, cannot be found.

You may be interested in the quarterly Housing Register data published by the Ministry which contains Territorial Local Authority (TLA) breakdowns of where clients are residing at the time of their application (i.e. Porirua). The data can be found at the link below:

- <https://www.msd.govt.nz/about-msd-and-our-work/publications-resources/statistics/housing/housing-register.html>

I will be publishing this decision letter, with your personal details deleted, on the Ministry's website in due course.

If you wish to discuss this response with us, please feel free to contact OIA_Requests@msd.govt.nz.

If you are not satisfied with my decision on your request regarding emergency housing in Porirua, you have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or 0800 802 602.

Ngā mihi nui

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