# Refresh stakeholder engagement



474 online questionnaire responses many from large groups; offered in 9 languages



participants developing potential recommendations at 5 co-design workshops



NZ cities & towns and

participants from

former refugees

migrants

**Pacific** 

migrants

non-binary

men

**Participants** 

women

rainbow community

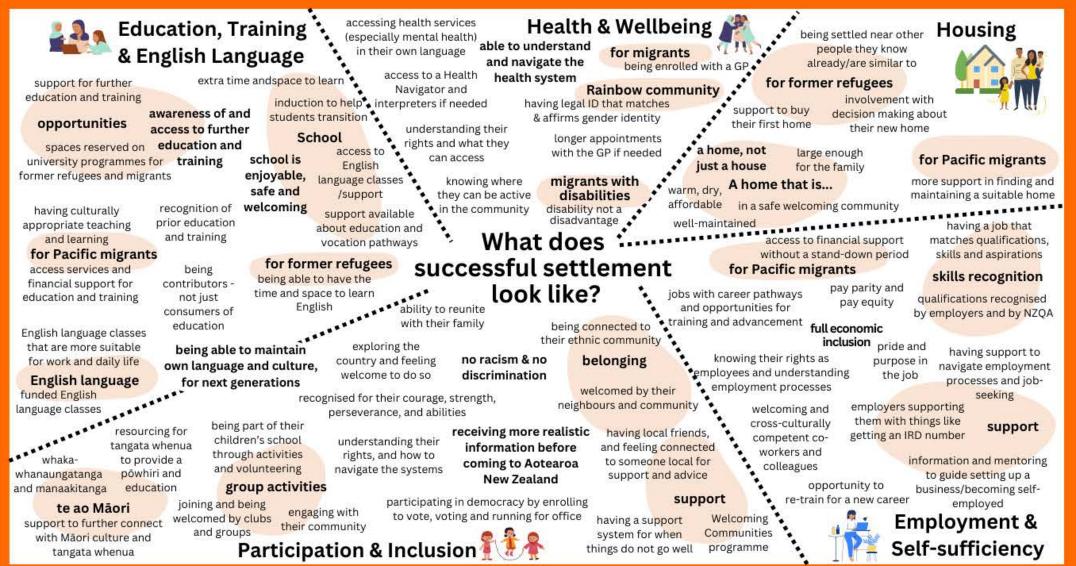
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community

ages 10-90 youth

migrants with 89 ethnicities & countries disabilities asylum and/or health seekers conditions

seniors



### What are two things that make you satisfied about living in Aotearoa New Zealand?

opportunities education Safety freedom

What are two things that you find difficult about living in Aotearoa New Zealand?

weather information work language healthcare racism housing distance high costs

employment housing low pay language high rents weather high costs racism culture healthcare distance

Responses from former refugees and migrants were often similar. Word frequency appears to reflect different circumstances and reasons for re/settling in Aotearoa New Zealand.

#### Communities also told us...

Former refugees and migrants have a strong appreciation of what Aotearoa New Zealand offers them and their families. And, they want to contribute back.

Full economic inclusion: they want employment at the same level as their qualifications and skills, and that provides a sense of purpose, progression

and pay parity. Connection and a

sense of belonging is paramount. Connection is what

makes a place a home.

continued and improved engagement and collaboration with **Immigration New** Zealand and other

Navigation: Former

refugees and migrants

would like better

information and

support at all points

of their journey so

they can fully

participate.

Rising sea levels are a

rising concern. They

want to support

climate change

mitigation.

Many asked for

government agencies.

Most, if not all, have experienced racism in ALL aspects of life. Children want the bullying to stop.

Many wondered why racism appears to be normalised and accepted.

They want to change the narrative from a "bigotry of low expectations" to being recognised for their strengths.

> Many would like connection with tangata whenua

"Local iwi should be resourced to provide a welcome and education.

Equity They note they all start at different points and have

different journeys; but, should end up with similar successful & equitable settlement outcomes.

Former refugees and migrants would like equitable treatment which means extending coverage to **Convention Refugees** & humanitarian evacuees, and better aligned coverage under each strategy

## When developing success indicators, communities suggested...

#### Resettlement can be a long but important process

"Bringing former refugees to New Zealand is only half the job done."





#### Enable their contributions

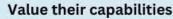
"By Pasifika for Pasifika." "Let us be part of the solution. Ask us."

### Holistic wellbeing matters

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"Wellbeing shouldn't be physical health only - it's impacted by all areas."





" Until my skills are recognised, I'll never feel settled."

Be more welcoming: connections & a sense of belonging

"I've been in New Zealand for three years & I still don't have friends."





## Family is everything

"How can I be settled when my mum is still overseas?"



