



youth service
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Rāpare 7 Poutūterangi 2024

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what you need to know



The Youth Week 2024 theme:

'We may not have it all together, but together we have it all'

'Māwherangi a tama roto ka taka, kāpuia ake ka pūrangiaho'



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drop-in recap – aging out and exit plans

a number of taiohi will exit youth service on 31 march

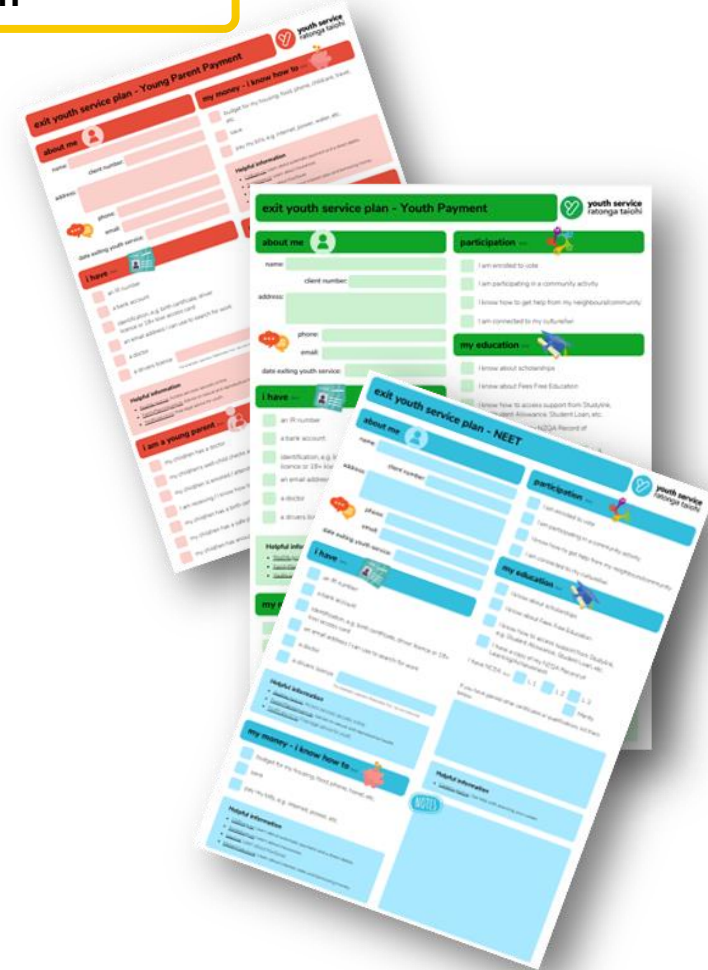
An exit plan can help young people transition smoothly from one place to another. It can involve career planning, self-reflection, exploring aspects of life, as well as investigating opportunities to develop and grow.

Getting ahead of young people exiting Youth Service

- There are exit plan templates that you can use on the provider website (linked below), or you can use your own.
- Start updating their exit plan now for young people aging out on 31 March
- A copy of the exit plan should be given to the young person.

You can find information here:

[Exiting – NEET](#)
[Exiting – YP or YPP](#)



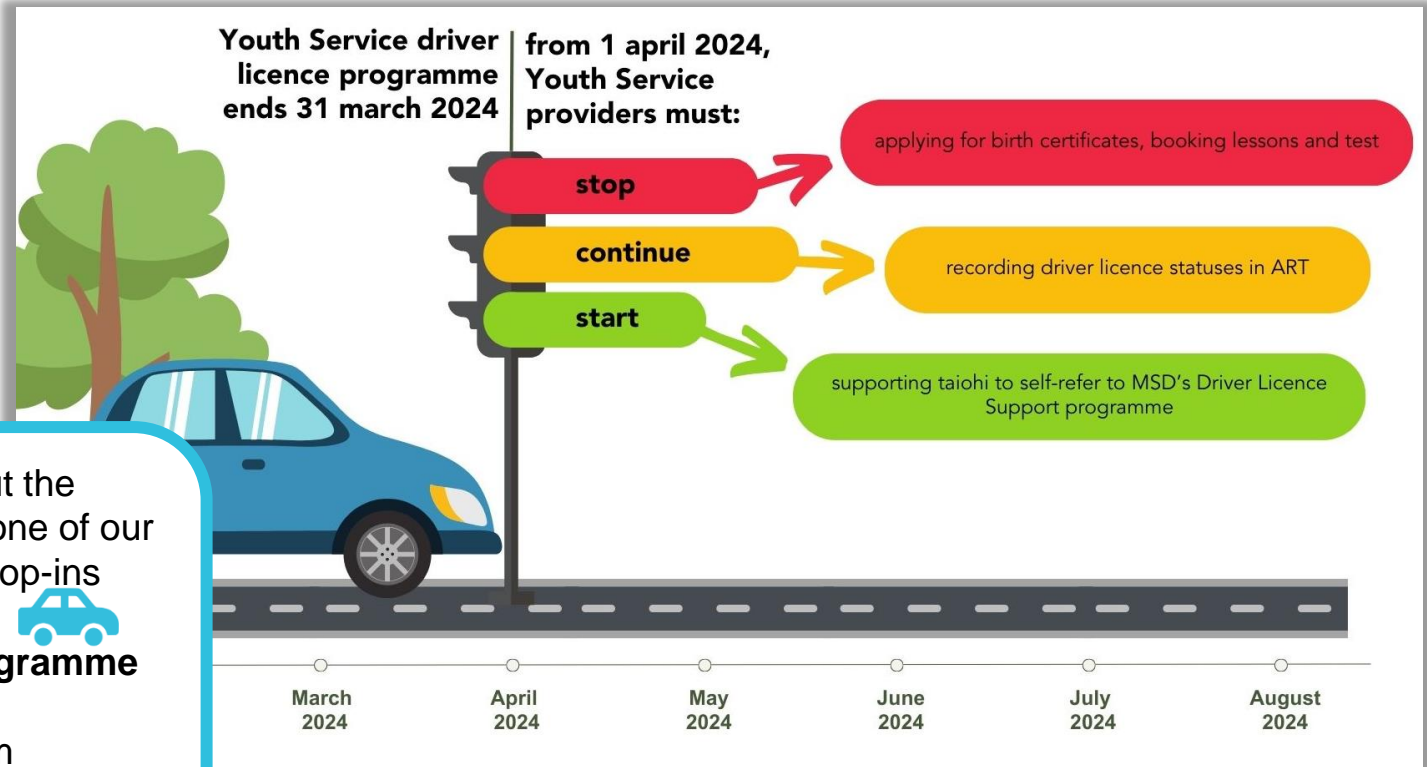
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drop-in recap – driver licence programme changes

until 31 march 2024, the youth service driver licence programme will continue as normal



To learn more about the changes, come to one of our remaining online drop-ins



driver licence programme changes

13, 27 March, 10am

Join via [Teams](#)

For more information click [here](#)



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income calculation changes for sole trader clients

here's what you need to know if for young people who might want to run their own business

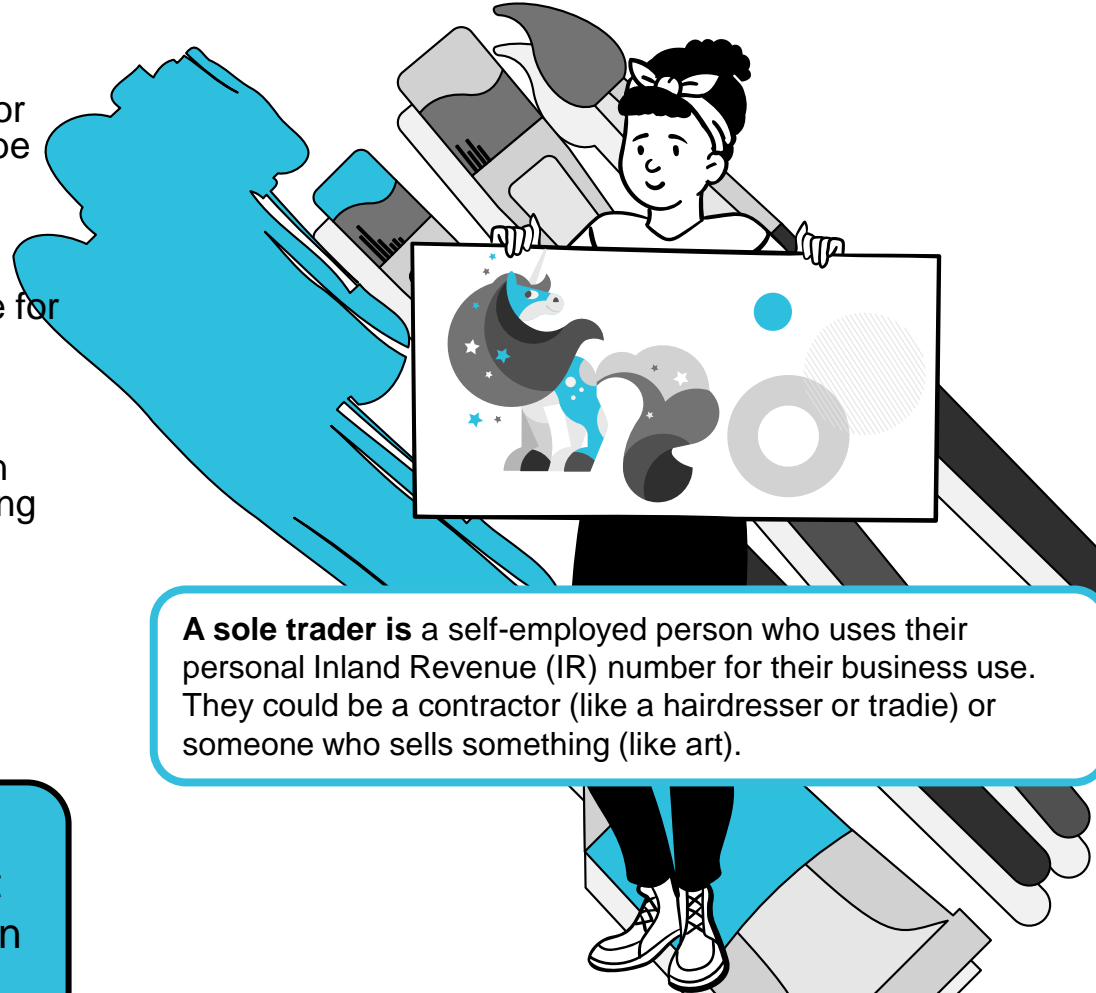
From **Monday 18 March**, we're introducing a new way of assessing eligibility and income for young people who are sole traders and may be eligible for benefits, extra help or one-off assistance.

The process for assessing sole trader income for Student Allowances and public housing won't change as they have different legislation.

MAP will be updated on **18 March** so you can read more about what this means for our young entrepreneurs then.

[What's new - map \(workandincome.govt.nz\)](http://workandincome.govt.nz)

Young people have an obligation to provide us with full information about their income and to declare changes in their income



A sole trader is a self-employed person who uses their personal Inland Revenue (IR) number for their business use. They could be a contractor (like a hairdresser or tradie) or someone who sells something (like art).



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easter 2024 changes to payments

extract/payment date changes for easter 2024 (29 march to 1 april)

If a young person's regular payment day falls on a public holiday during Easter their payment will be bought forward.

Payment changes table	
Regular payment day	Easter holiday payment day
Tues – 02/04/24	Fri – 29/03/24*
Wed – 03/04/24	No Change
Thur – 04/04/24	No Change

Make sure young people understand that this is NOT a 'bonus payment' and that they will be paid on their regular payment day the next week

Change in circumstances

If a young person has a change in circumstances that affects their payment that week, like changes to their....

- redirections
- income
- bank account details
- starting or stopping payments
- children in their care
- relationship

...you'll need to submit the task by **Tuesday 26 March**



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youth service satisfaction survey

the youth service satisfaction survey was sent out this week

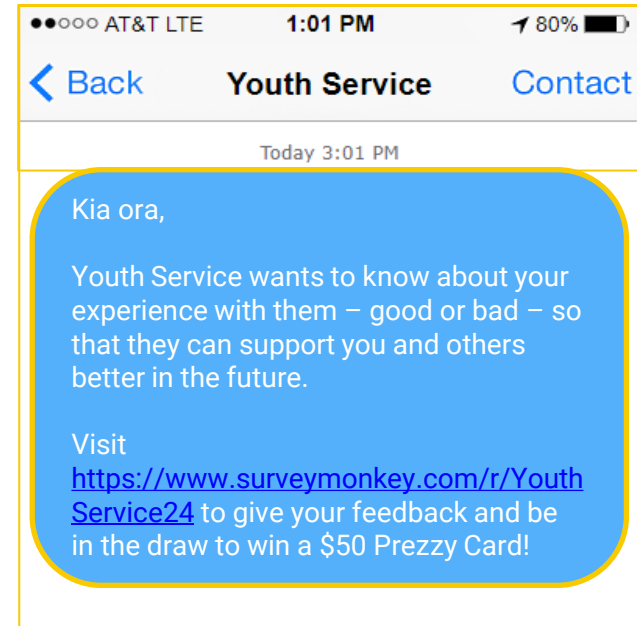
Last week we sent out a satisfaction survey to our taiohi across the motu.

The information we get from the survey allows us to check in and see what improvements need to be made to youth service.

The more young people respond, the better the data is that we have to make improvements.



Here's a message you can text to taiohi



Encourage taiohi to fill out the survey
they could win one of three
\$50 prezzie cards!



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All sessions start at 10am and are held online via Teams

Wednesday 3 April	induction for new youth coaches
Tuesday 9 April	spotlight on employment support
Tuesday 16 April	programme fund and youth plans
Tuesday 30 April	obligations and sanctions
Wednesday 1 May	induction for new youth coaches
Tuesday 7 May	review of decisions and notes
Tuesday 14 May	working with LGBTQIA+
Tuesday 21 May	spotlight on employment support
Tuesday 28 May	family and sexual violence
Wednesday 5 June	induction for new youth coaches
Tuesday 11 June	handling challenging callers
Tuesday 18 June	spotlight on employment support
Tuesday 2 July	money management and incentives
Wednesday 3 July	induction for new youth coaches

drop ins schedule for next quarter

April to June 2024

Youth Service online drop ins are aimed at building whanaungatanga, as well as practice and delivery knowledge.

They focus on the technical aspects that are unique to our service.

upcoming drop-in sessions

drop-in to meet other youth coaches and learn about youth service

face, notes, needs and activities
Tuesday 12 March, 10am



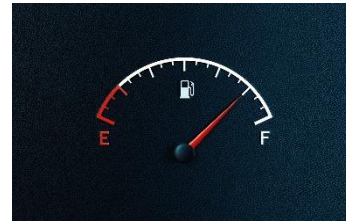
In this session, we will discuss:

- how you can make sure a young person is receiving their Full and Correct Entitlement (FACE)
- the importance of good notes attached to the right activities
- tips and tricks on how to record information

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driver licence programme changes
Wednesday 13 March, 10am

Our Youth Service Driver Licence programme is ending on 31 March 2024. In this session, we will go into detail on what these changes mean for you and the taiohi you work with.



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You can find the full drop-in session schedule on our provider site
[drop-in sessions | Youth Service providers](#)
or print the [breakroom poster](#)

what's coming up

Friday 8 March 2024
International Women's day

"Invest in women: Accelerate progress"

Ensuring women's and girls' rights across all aspects of life is the only way to secure prosperous and just economies, and a healthy planet for future generations. Here are 5 key areas that need joint action to ensure women are not left behind

- Investing in women: A human rights issue
- Ending poverty
- Implementing gender-responsive financing
- Shifting to a green economy and care society
- Supporting feminist change-makers

For more information visit:

[International Women's Day \(unwomen.org.nz\)](https://unwomen.org.nz)

Let us know if you have any kaupapa, events, celebrations coming up and we will share them here.



Monday 11 March 2024
Taranaki Anniversary Day

Sunday 10 March 2024
Ramadan begins

Ramadan begins, the ninth month of the Islamic calendar observed by Muslims worldwide. A month of fasting, prayer, reflection, and community.



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