

Meeting Notes from Tautoko Network Meeting

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ACCOUNTABILITY: OUTCOME-BASED

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Thanks to all those who turned out for this morning's *Tautoko Network: Supporting the Community Sector* session with the teams from Rata Foundation and DIA. Great session!

One of the messages from the session which is well worth repeating is that those on the end of the 'funders' phone are members of the community too. Pick up the phone, ask the questions ... an opportunity to discuss a project or a project's framework with the funders at an early stage is one which should be taken advantage of.

Results Based Accountability (TBA) is a simple, common sense framework which communities, agencies and teams can use to focus on results/outcomes to make positive change for communities, whanau and clients. ... read more about RBA at: <https://www.msd.govt.nz/what-we-can-do/providers/results-based-accountability/index.html>

Here's some resources:

The What Works Website - New, NGO-friendly website helping the people who make Aotearoa NZ a better place - especially for smaller community groups who can struggle to show the value of their work. www.whatworks.org.nz

What is evaluation? A resource for anyone who has an interest or stake in evaluation. www.anzea.org.nz

Making sense of evaluation - a user-friendly handbook designed for those working in NZ's social sector who need to know more about how to measure and understand the effectiveness of their programmes. <http://www.superu.govt.nz/resources/handbook>

An Evidence Rating Scale - providing a standard against which evidence for effectiveness of social sector policies, programmes, services or practices can be assessed. <http://superu.govt.nz/resources/evidence-rating-scale>

Theory of Change - an innovative and participatory method of planning and evaluation that allows you to explain and understand how change happens and why an initiative is expected to work. www.theoryofchange.org

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www.superu.govt.nz/using_evidence_for_impact