

# Some Preliminary Learnings & Next Steps

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# Some Learnings

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- Older people:
  - Often treated as if they are no different to other age cohorts or treated as infants
  - Skill and resource assets often ignored
  - Support needs often unrecognized
- Preparation too often focuses on events not on recovery
- Organisations and agencies are not well adapted to supporting recovery
- Communities and older people need to be enabled to make resilient choices

# Enabling Resilience

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- Practitioners as experts:
  - Often unable to identify sentinel factors that allow ordinary people to make resilience choices
  - Struggle to acknowledge problems arising from poor implementation of and compliance with standards and regulations
  - Often do not recognize the barriers to accessing expert advice.
  - Get involved in liability gaming.
- Systems (eg. LIMs) are being used to provide functions for which they are not designed.
- People often confuse actual risk with knowing about risk.
- Housing price continues to be decoupled from functionality and resilience.

# Next Steps

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- Release of reports:
  - Housing providers – retirement villages, local government, community housing
  - Population and location vulnerability
  - Relationship between resilience and sustainability
  - Older people and adverse natural events
  - Policy and practice recommendations
- Tool Refinement and Release:
  - Dwelling Resilience Tool
  - Site Selection Tool
  - Flood Experience Tool
- Final Summit – 29 September 2014, Rangitāne Cultural Centre Ūkaipō, Grovetown, Marlborough

# Knowledge for Resilient Futures

Practitioner Expertise



Lived Expertise



Research Expertise



Grounded  
Tools, Plans,  
Services and  
Solutions

Older People  
and  
Communities  
Empowered  
to Adapt