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Horowhenua Search and Rescue



In 2018-19 LandSAR NZ (Land Search and Rescue NZ) deployed 3,046 trained volunteers to assist 684 people whose lives were at risk, committing a combined 131,540 volunteer hours to Search and Rescue activities across New Zealand. Volunteers operate in suburban, urban, wilderness and rural areas including regional and forest parks and the shoreline. Their specialist search and rescue skills are available free to the public 24 hours a day, 7 days a week via the New Zealand Police and the Rescue Coordination Centre.

Horowhenua LandSAR (Horowhenua Land Search and Rescue Inc) was formed in 2008, and currently has 62 volunteer members.

Over the past 2 years Horowhenua LandSar members gave 2,000 volunteer hours to help save II people, rescue 9 and assist many others throughout Horowhenua, the Tararua Ranges, Kapiti and further afield as they can be called out to support other regions including Wellington and Manawatu.



Volunteers come from all walks of life, all ethnicities and bring a huge variety of skills to the table. The field walkers are extremely important, but just as important are those behind the scenes carrying out admin duties, throwing a meal together, serving a cuppa, manning the phones and much more.

Volunteers are required to undergo a Police Check and the length and intensity of their training depends on what role they will fill.

LandSar NZ receives some Government funding but it isn't sufficient to fund local groups. Donations are always gratefully received to help fund training and replace aging gear.

If you are interested in becoming a valued volunteer go to: https://www.landsar.org. nz/become-a-volunteer/

Or send us an email:

Horowhenua@landsar.org.nz

Or phone: 027 432 5073



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