



Minister for Social Development and Employment

Social Development and Employment portfolio

Vote Business, Science and Innovation

Report in relation to selected non-departmental appropriations for the year ended 30 June 2026

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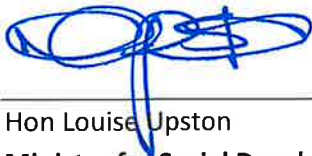
Foreword

Ministers are responsible for reporting the financial and non-financial performance of non-departmental appropriations to Parliament. This report provides information about the year-end performance results of non-departmental appropriations that have not been included in any other reports to Parliament.

This report provides the 1 July 2024 - 30 June 2025 results of relevant non-departmental appropriations for the Economic Development portfolio within Vote Business, Science and Innovation. The relevant appropriations are:

Non-Departmental Output Expenses

- *Social Development and Employment: Auckland Pacific Skills Shift*



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Statements of Performance

Non-Departmental Output Expenses

Social Development and Employment: Auckland Pacific Skills Shift

Scope of Appropriation

This appropriation is limited to establishing and operating the Auckland Pacific Skills Shift programme.

Intention Statement

This appropriation is intended to achieve supporting Auckland Pacific peoples in low-skilled work to transition into quality employment by providing wrap-around support to impacted Pacific households and programmes to build capability of Pacific communities.

Assessment of Performance

Non-financial

Performance Measure	2024/25 Actual Standard	2025/26 Budget Result	2025/26 Actual Standard
Number of progress reports received from implementing partners	1 per quarter	1 per quarter	1 per quarter
Programmes are regularly monitored and evaluated against milestones	Achieved	Achieved	Achieved

Commentary

Alo Vaka (The Auckland Pacific Skills Shift) is a programme which promotes the development of 'aiga- and community-centric approaches to address the impacts of precarious work conditions. It promotes labour market restructuring and greater agency within Pacific communities and households in South and West Auckland to chart out and achieve their economic aspirations.

The Alo Vaka programme and associated appropriation was transferred to MSD from 1 January 2026.

The remaining funding from the Ministry's programme delivery was used to support final Pacific economic development initiatives delivered by Auckland Council between April and June 2026.

Key outputs included workshops on the Pacific Value-for-Investment Framework, a digital dashboard for the Quantifying the Pacific Economy report, support for export-ready Pacific creative enterprises, a TechWeek event for Pacific Youth and Pacific Tech Futures report launch, and Pacific business capability support through the Amotai Supplier Diversity Programme.

Financial

Expenses	2024/25 Actual \$000	2025/26 Estimates \$000	2025/26 Supplementary Estimates \$000	2025/26 Actual \$000
Total Appropriation	2,643	5,500	2,675	1,900

Commentary

This appropriation was \$0.775m (29%) underspent for the 2025/26 financial year. This was due to the wind-down of contracts managed by MBIE with the programme and funding transferred to the Ministry of Social Development as part of the October Baseline Update (OBU) 2025.