



A Vista Foundation and Home & Family Counselling Initiative

The Vista Foundation and Home & Family Counselling have collaborated to provide support to the people of the New Zealand film industry who have been affected by the social and commercial constraints of the Coronavirus pandemic.

More specifically, this support is a response to the reality of the livelihoods and daily life of those in this sector being especially compromised and the futures for many, potentially permanently altered.

Who is 'The Vista Foundation'?

The Vista Foundation is a social responsibility initiative founded by Vista Group, a publicly listed New Zealand company comprising several businesses and a world leader in providing technology solutions to the global film industry.

A New Zealand-registered charity run by a Board of six Trustees and with Roger Donaldson and Cliff Curtis as Patrons, the Vista Foundation aims to help nurture the continued growth and success of the New Zealand film industry. [Click here](#) to watch a video that Cliff has recorded in support of the Vista Foundation and Home & Family Counselling initiative.

Visit <https://vistafoundation.co.nz/> and www.linkedin.com/company/vista-foundation

Who is Vista Group? Visit <https://www.vistagroup.co.nz/>

Who is 'Home & Family Counselling'?

Founded 126 years ago in 1893, today 'Home & Family' provides counselling to children, youths, individuals, couples and families. With high social services empathy and an obviously impressive track record of achieving positive outcomes for clients, Home & Family counselling is accessible to all in need. For clients, the cost of counselling at Home & Family is by donation and it is voluntary.

Home & Family is an Incorporated Society with charitable status. The organisation is led by an Executive Director supported by a Board of seven. New Zealand's Governor General, currently Her Excellency, the Right Honourable Dame Patsy Reddy is the Patron of Home & Family.

Counselling is offered from centres in Mount Eden and Northcote in Auckland. (Under the lock-down terms of Covid-19, online or telephone counselling is working well).

Visit www.homeandfamily.org.nz and our Covid-19 initiative link [here](#).

What is the Offering & What are its Terms?

1. The Offering is confined to membership of the industry organisations listed below * and as such is **not** more widely on offer. Each of these organisations is free to provide relevant membership credentials to industry practitioners who for financial or other reasons, may not be current members but who may nevertheless benefit from this offer. * *Note membership credentials are required to take up the Offering.*
 - Directors and Editors Guild of New Zealand
 - New Zealand Writers Guild
 - Screen Industry Guild Aotearoa (Technicians)
 - Screen Composers Guild of New Zealand
 - Screen Production and Development Association (SPADA)
 - Women in Film & Television NZ (WIFT)
 - Ngā Aho Whakaari (Māori in Screen)
 - New Zealand Cinematographer's Society
 - Stunt Guild of New Zealand
 - Equity New Zealand (Actors)
 - NZ Advertising Producer's Group (NZAPG)
 - Pan Asian Screen Collective (PASC).
2. The Vista Foundation has put aside the sum of **NZ\$25,000** to subsidise counselling sessions for film industry workers and their families. The Foundation will make a donation of **NZ\$50** to Home & Family for each **one hour** session sought and provided. The \$50 subsidy will mean that a donation by the client is non-obligatory; to be clear, a client donation can be at any level dependent on affordability.
3. Client privacy will be paramount; the information a client will need to provide to utilise the Offering will be to Home & Family only. However, the Vista Foundation reserves the right to **randomly** check information provided to ensure the Offering is being used as intended. * *This does **not** include disclosure to the Vista Foundation, of names.*

To take up the Vista Foundation / Home and Family Counselling Offer, a client will make contact directly with Home and Family using this process:

- Visit www.homeandfamily.org.nz/filmindustry/
- Click [Make An Appointment](#) and telephone or (form) email Home & Family's central (Mount Eden) or North Shore (Northcote) centres. (Do not use the Hibiscus Coast/Orewa option).
- If outside of Auckland, choose **Central**.
- Once Home & Family makes contact, the client will need to advise their membership organisation and number. * *This requirement is mandatory, no exceptions.*
- Home & Family will initiate the process of counselling including assigning a counsellor.

4. For administration purposes, Home & Family will assign a 'case' number to each client (this is standard EAP practice); the purpose of the number is to A/ track the number of counselling sessions per client and B/ enable Home & Family to recover from the Vista Foundation, the session subsidy of \$50. * *Privacy will be respected as noted in Point 3 above.*
5. Under the terms of this Offering, each client will be limited to a **maximum of 5 sessions**. (A client is free to continue their Home & Family counselling subsequently, under their own arrangement).

Qualification

Without the ability to accurately forecast the uptake of the counselling offer, utilisation of the 500 sessions offered currently is unknown and accordingly will be monitored by Home & Family and reported back to the Vista Foundation.

Obviously counselling session capacity is limited and especially given that Home & Family will continue to provide their normal service to the wider community. Subject to that, the Foundation will continuously review and work with the Guilds as needs be to ensure that up-to-date information about this initiative is made available to their members.

The Foundation will also endeavour to develop additional counselling capacity and funding solutions in the event that demand proves high and/or less manageable.

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The Vista Foundation & Home & Family Counselling

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