

Ngati Kahungunu 25 Year Vision



LOOKING AHEAD TO 2026

Ngati Kahungunu Iwi
INCORPORATED

The Vision

“TE AO MARAMA”

Ki te whai ao, ki te ao marama

Searching, searching, searching... for the ultimate state of enlightenment

The Mission

“To enhance the mana and well being of Ngati Kahungunu.”

This will be achieved by empowering the iwi to achieve success at the levels of whanau, hapuu and Taiwhenua. Iwi will determine what success is from its own goals and aspirations.

Guiding Principles

These guiding principles set the boundaries within which we will work and are not to be compromised for financial gain or short-term expediency.

- Te Tuhonohono o Kahungunu
Tapestry of whakapapa that makes us who we are today
- Te Hononga Mareikura o Takitimu
How we relate to other iwi / waka
- Te Kotahitanga
League of peoples
- Te Whakaputanga o te Ao
Declaration of independence
- Te Tiriti o Waitangi
Joint venture with Crown
- How we do things
Kanohi ki kanohi ~ “Face to face”
Pokohiwi ki pokohiwi ~ “Shoulder to shoulder”

Economically Strong

The settlement of all Ngati Kahungunu Treaty Claims and return or reclamation of Ngati Kahungunu whenua and taonga (awa, moana, ngahere,) will form the foundation of our economic revival.

Ngati Kahungunu will remain involved in the traditional areas of economic activity of fisheries and farming while embracing technology and business opportunities to have a presence across all areas of economic activity within our rohe.

Fisheries:

- Aquaculture (paua, mussels etc)
- Fresh water fisheries in eels.
- Sustainable fishery with clean, high quality water
- Training for industry through Kahungunu
- World Wide Distribution through enhanced relationships with other nations
- Franchised kaimoana shops

Farming and horticulture:

- Own farms, orchards, vineyards, gardens and forests
- Organic and GE free

Tourism and hospitality:

On the marae:

- Each marae has own economic base
- Each marae has ability to provide own services

Research and Development

- Research unit
- Kahungunu Scientists and laboratory ~ productivity research and other projects

Participating Citizens In The World

We must be equipped to take our place in the world while maintaining our kaitiaki status at home.

- Educated and Informed
- 100% financially independent
- Options
- Contribute to marae / hapu / iwi
- Host to international indigenous events
- Recognized by other nations as a nation
- Establish Ngati Kahungunu embassies wherever Ngati Kahungunu reside in the world

Tinorangatiratanga

It is only through independence that Kahungunu will grow and prosper. Dependence will keep us locked into the destructive cycles and negative statistics prevalent today. Tinorangatiratanga begins with self, continues through the whanau, the hapuu and the iwi.

- Controlling our own resources
- Making our own decisions
- Determining our own outcomes
- Owning the consequences of our decisions
- Tuwhakahihi ~ assertive, confident, standing tall and strong
- Independent and contributing to our society
- Government boundaries align to Iwi boundary

Protecting Our Environment

The health of our environment has a direct influence on the health of our people. We are charged to preserve and protect our air, water and lands and the resources within for the benefit and survival of our mokopuna.

- Protecting cultural landmarks
- Education / training tamariki in the protection of the environment
- Restocking, reseeding, re-vegetation of native flora, fauna & fisheries
- Set regulatory standards and environmental clean up strategies in place for waterways, land management, contaminated land sites
- 200 mile "foreshore" acknowledged
- Complete inventory of Ngati Kahungunu Estate.
- Defence of our shoreline ~ own Coastguard

Culturally Strong

Retention of our cultural identity is paramount for it is the soul of the Iwi, what makes us unique. Through concentrated effort and celebration Ngati Kahungunu traditional and contemporary culture and language will survive and achieve national recognition.

- Triennial Takitimu International Festivals
- Establishment of Whare wananga
- Takitimu history taught in all schools
- Te reo taught at all levels in all schools
- Inventory of Whakairo, kowhiahwai, tukutuku, in all marae.
- Kahungunu publications; musical, theatrical and film productions.
- Kahungunu Cultural Center with archives and contemporary development in the arts
- Kahungunu Sports Academy with Kahungunu teams in World Cup events

Strong, Vibrant, Healthy Whanau & Hapu

Maori are 17% of the population and this percentage must continue to rise. Through increasing our birth rate, reclaiming our values and improving our health and standard of living we will reclaim prominence in our own land.

- Marae and papakainga flourish and provide an option for extended whanau living.
- Encourage Ngati Kahungunu population growth
- The sanctity of whakapapa ~ childrens' rights to know who their parents are
- Full employment for whanau
- Family safety through the elimination of child and domestic violence
- Significant reduction in alcohol and drug abuse
- Significant reduction in criminal offending
- Re-learn and practice Rongoa

Making Our Mark

New Zealand will know and recognize Ngati Kahungunu Iwi, our values and our iwi rohe.

Kahungunu totally visible and totally audible

- Internationally recognized brand, our cultural icon ~ the Paua
- With identifying colours (pihau paua)
- Poupou at the iwi gateways marking our boundaries
- Ngati Kahungunu marae signposted
- Reinstate Kahungunu place names
- Conversant in Kahungunu reo
- Public service announcements in te reo maori
- Paremata Kahungunu (Parliament)